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## FACULTY OF MARINE SCIENCES AND FISHERIES WELCOMES 16 INBOUND STUDENTS FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF TASMANIA, AUSTRALIA



The Faculty of Marine and Fisheries Sciences (FIKP) Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) welcomed students for the Inbound Student Program. There were 16 students plus two supervisors from the University of Tasmania, Australia. Inbound students will last five days, January 11-15, 2024 with the theme Marine Conservation Activities in Indonesia.

The Dean of FIKP, Prof. Safruddin, said that there were many things gained both from experience and new experiences for the inbound student participants. Meanwhile, Prof. Adi Maulana, M.Phil (Vice Rector for Partnership, Innovation, Entrepreneurship and Business) said that it was a center of maritime science and culture which historically also has close ties with the Australian nation. "So it will be very interesting for participants to find out and gain new experiences at UNHAS," he said via a release to [Tribun-Timur.com](http://Tribun-Timur.com), Monday, January 15, 2024. While at UNHAS, inbound student participants had various activities. These included receiving material related to maritime culture in South Sulawesi, UNHAS' international roadmap and policies, conservation and biodiversity of marine resources, and several other materials.



Apart from that, the participants were also invited to visit several cultural places and conservation areas such as the Rammang-Rammang tour and the Rotterdam Fort. This activity also received a very good response from the Makassar City government inviting participants to a dinner with the Mayor of Makassar, Danny Pomanto. On this occasion, Danny Pomanto explained the strategic position of Makassar City which is very important in the flow of national and international trade and economy. Danny also introduced Makassar City as a culinary city, with every time or hour having a different food menu to eat.

Inbound students from the University of Tasmania continued their journey on January 17, 2024 to Toraja for tourism and to explore the culture in South Sulawesi.





## FACULTY OF MATHEMATICS AND NATURAL SCIENCES HOLDS IISMA INFORMATION DISSEMINATION PRESENTING INTERNATIONAL OFFICE



The Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences (FMIPA) Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) held the information dissemination of the Indonesian International Student Mobility Award (IISMA) 2024 at the Ballroom of Science Building Ground Floor FMIPA UNHAS, Friday, January 26, 2024. The dissemination aimed to build students' awareness about the importance of student exchange programs and enable students in gaining as much information about student mobility awards as possible.

FMIPA was the first faculty to conduct internal dissemination of IISMA 2024 at the faculty level. Dr. Eng Amiruddin M.Si (Dean of MIPA) said that FMIPA students had great potential to take part in IISMA 2024 based on the English test scores that were held last January. There were 105 FMIPA students from the 2022 and 2023 batches and 43 from the 2020 and 2021 batches who scored above 500.

The test was the English Diagnostic Test (EDT) organized by the UNHAS Language Service with the aim of knowing the English language skills of the 2022 and 2023 batch students, and helping them prepare for IISMA 2024. From the test results, students who scored above 500 were given a four-week English course every Friday, and mentors from IISMA Alumni for consultation.



## INTERNATIONAL OFFICE, HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY HOLDS HELLO IO FOCUSING ON WRITING A GOOD ESSAY



As the Indonesian International Students Mobility Awards (IISMA) registration is now open, the International Office (IO) Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) has been conducting a series of IISMA socialization through the Instagram Live "Hello IO: Road to IISMA 2024 - How to Write a Good Essay." was successfully held on January 26, 2024 from 10-12am Central Indonesia Time (CIT). The event featured a speaker: Karisma Nurul Izzah - IISMA 2023. She is a student of the International Relation Study Program of UNHAS and spent one semester at Vytautas Magnus University, Lithuania with Netalen Priscyla Adiestya as the host.

Ms. Karisma shared her rich knowledge and experience, providing the participants with invaluable insight into the art of essay writing. Her practical tips and strategies offered a comprehensive guide to creating engaging and impactful essays for the IISMA 2024 application. The live session was characterized by an engaging Question & Answer (Q&A), where participants had the opportunity to interact with Ms. Karisma directly. The questions ranged from essay structure to effective research techniques, creating a dynamic and enriching experience for all participants.



Ms. Netalen's vibrant hosting style added excitement to the event, ensuring a lively and fun atmosphere. Her ability to connect with the audience further enhanced the educational value of the discussion. The event not only provided valuable insights into essay writing, but also served as a platform to foster a sense of community and learning.



## THE FACULTY OF NURSING, HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY STUDENTS SUCCESSFULLY PARTICIPATED IN THE SAKURA SCIENCE PLAN EXCHANGE PROGRAM 2024



The delegation of the Faculty of Nursing (FKep), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) successfully participated in the Sakura Science Plan Exchange Program 2024 which was held at Yokohama City University, Japan on January 14-20, 2024. This program is a collaboration between the Faculty of Nursing, UNHAS and the Department of Nursing, Yokohama City University and for the first time this year it is held offline.

This program was attended by 9 students who had gone through internal selection including 7 students from the nursing science study program, 2 students from the physiotherapy study program and 1 accompanying lecturer. This year's Sakura Science Plan Exchange Program raised the theme of Palliative Care which is a treatment that aims to improve the quality of life of patients who have serious or chronic diseases.

The program was opened on January 15, 2024 at the Nursing department building, Yokohama City University by the dean and other YCU parties. YCU warmly welcomed the delegates and hoped that this program could run smoothly. This session also introduced Yayoi Shoji, Ryota Ochiai, and Chiyono Shimomichi who will accompany UNHAS students during this program. After that, it was continued with the provision of material about "Medical Care and Nursing in Japan" and continued with material about palliative care in Japan and Indonesia. The provision of this material was attended by YCU nursing students and Unhas Delegation Students.



In addition to following the provision of material in class, the UNHAS student delegation also toured three different hospitals including Yokohama City University Hospital, Shonandai Hospital Palliative Care Unit and Yokohama City University Medical Center palliative care at the Comprehensive Perinatal Maternity and Child Health Center which aims to provide an overview to students about how the implementation of palliative care in several hospitals in Japan. Not only that, students also took a tour to Yokohama Children's Hospice and Maggie's House where it is a home-like care center that provides comfort to people who feel worthless and have no spirit for life because of their chronic illnesses.

One of the peaks of this program was the discussion and presentation between UNHAS and Yokohama City University students which was divided into 3 subtopics. The sub topics given were Palliative Care System and Team Medicine, Definition of a Good Death, and Place of death preferences and How to Achieve Them. And after that it was closed with a farewell party and four ethnic dance performances from UNHAS students and closing from the Dean of the Nursing Department of Yokohama City University, "Every time sakura science is held, I am very impressed with the active participation of UNHAS students. My hope for next year's sakura exchange program is that there will be more time between Hasanuddin University and Yokohama City University students so that we can exchange cultures and thoughts and it will be fun". Ryota Ochiai said.

With the Sakura Science Exchange Program, it is hoped that it can provide experience for students to experience learning abroad and can gain new knowledge, especially about palliative care in Japan.



## **FACULTY OF MARINE SCIENCES AND FISHERIES COLLABORATION WITH JAPANESE NGOS DISCUSSES MARITIME ECONOMIC POTENTIAL IN SOUTH SULAWESI**



The Faculty of Marine Sciences and Fisheries (FIKP), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) held an international symposium related to marine socio-economic issues and plastic waste on January 15, 2024 in the FIKP Meeting Room. This activity is a collaboration between the Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) Asia Livelihood Network and Nishinippon Nichimo Co. The Dean of FIKP Prof. Safruddin, S.Pi., M.Sc., Ph.D opened the symposium and invited all participants both offline and online to contribute ideas and real support for this collaboration. According to him, this collaboration would increase seaweed development in Indonesia, especially in South Sulawesi."The development of seaweed and the issue of plastic waste are very crucial problems for the future of the world," he said.

The choice of this partnership is also considered very appropriate because the Asia Livelihood Network has many programs related to social, economic and cultural empowerment of communities and the environment in Asia. Meanwhile, Nishinippon Nichimo Co. has a main business of fishery products that is very concerned with social, economic and environmental sustainability issues.

Head of the South Sulawesi Province Maritime and Fisheries Service, Dr Muhammad Ilyas MSc IPU, was also present at this activity. On that occasion, he discussed seaweed development policies and strengthening the blue economy in South Sulawesi. This collaboration is very beneficial, especially for South Sulawesi, and it is hoped that it can develop marine wealth in the form of seaweed which has great potential.





**GET ACQUAINTED WITH  
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT:  
BARA'AH SALEH M. AIFUQARA**

In the last issue, the International Office (IO), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) weekly news featured an international student from Ethiopia. In this Issue #61, the IO managed to interview a Jordanian student studying at Faculty of Medicine (FK) during the semester break, as we know, most international students travel home or not in Makassar. When asked why she was still in Makassar and not going home, she said that this year she decided to stay. However, she went back home last year and met her family. She is now in semester 5. Her name is Bara'ah Saleh M. Aifuqara. She likes to be called Baraah. She was happy to be interviewed by the IO with three different questions. Firstly, how did she find UNHAS? Secondly, how did she feel studying here? And lastly what would she like to see UNHAS in the future.

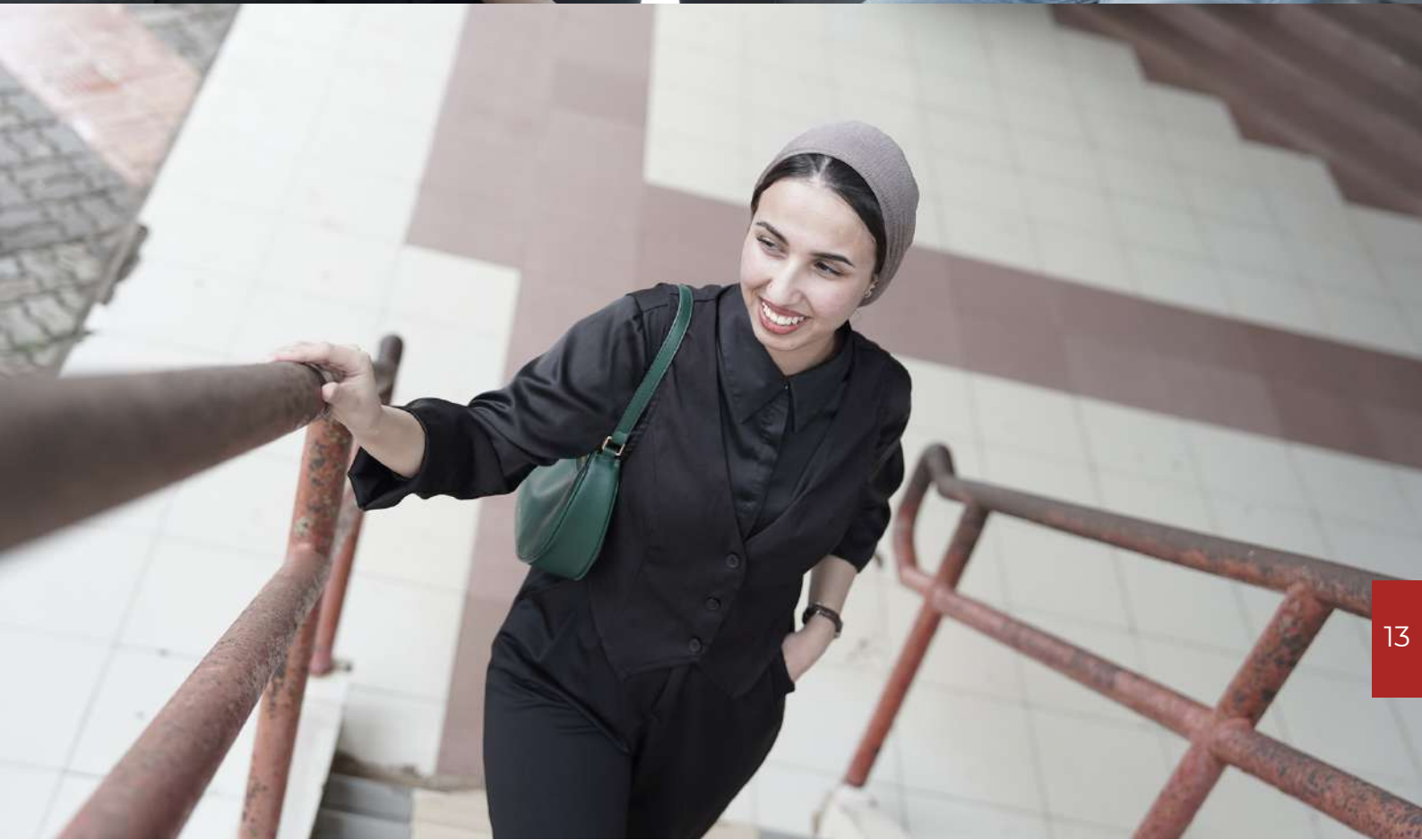
When the IO asked the first question. She was trying to recall the moment when first found this university. "I found a post on Facebook about scholarships in Indonesia. I told my family that I wanted to contact the person in the post." She then contacted that person. She was told to complete all the documents needed in the application including her passport. She said that there was a payment given to that person or the so-called agent. After 2-3 months waiting for the notification, she checked her email and found her Letter of Acceptance (LoA) from UNHAS. She prepared her trip to Makassar. When her feet stepped on Makassar land, it was at night and she felt grateful as two staff of IO picked her up at the airport.

The second question was her feelings about her study journey at UNHAS. She tried to lean back and said: "I guess this happens to all international students when starting his/her study in a new country. new culture, new people, new atmosphere which are completely different from their home country." She added: "I struggled with the new environment and I began to learn Bahasa Indonesia at UNHAS Language Service. It was a huge challenge adapting to new situations." Ms Bara'ah was thankful as the time went on she has been able to adapt particularly to the teaching and learning process. Her lecturers and classmates were very helpful. In terms of the facilities, FK has modern facilities with the support of technology that ease the students to learn.





Lastly the IO asked her about anything she wanted to see for a better UNHAS in the future. She responded by saying that she wanted to see facilities in the students dormitory. The room she lives in now needs to be improved thus students could live there more comfortably. However, she still feels happy to enjoy her daily life. She becomes more motivated to complete her study at the FK. After several photo shoots, the IO ended the interview and wished her the best in reaching her dreams. Thank you Bara'ah







# IISMA CORNER : ALIYYAH ANSARIADI

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My journey as an Indonesian International Student Mobility Awards (IISMA) awardee has been nothing but insightful and wonderful. From the moment I received the scholarship until the completion of my mobility program, every step has been filled with valuable experiences and personal growth.

The opportunity to study abroad at Michigan State University (MSU) through IISMA has broadened my horizons in ways I never imagined. Being immersed in a new academic environment challenged me to think critically, adapt to different teaching methods, and collaborate with students from diverse cultural backgrounds. These experiences not only enriched my academic knowledge but also enhanced my interpersonal and intercultural skills.

Moreover, living in a foreign country allowed me to explore new cultures, traditions, and perspectives. From trying local cuisines to participating in cultural events, every interaction deepened my understanding and appreciation of global diversity. These cultural exchanges have not only expanded my worldview but also fostered lifelong friendships with people from across the globe.

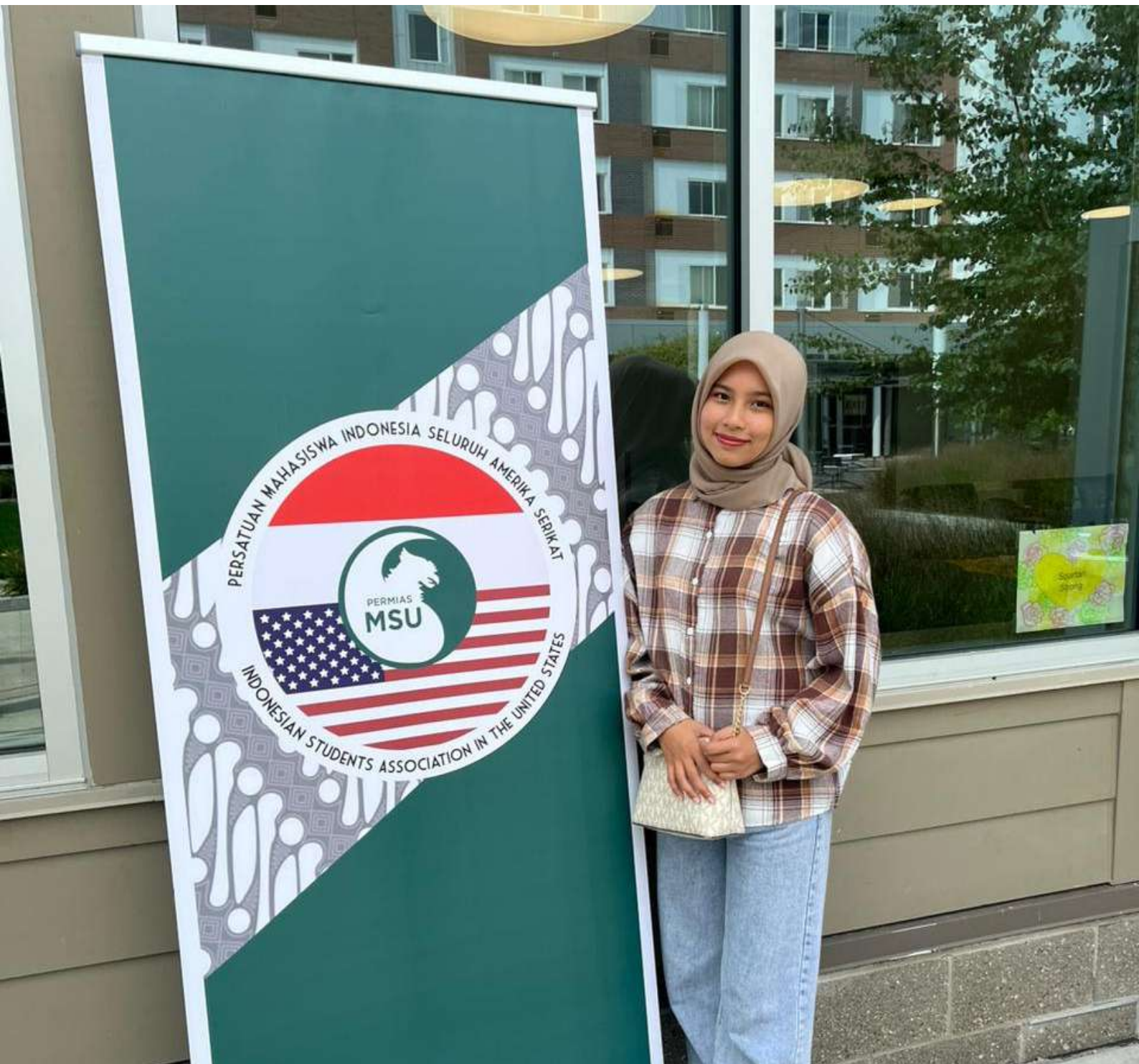
Getting to meet new people and make friends through IISMA has been one of the blessings I received in life. I would never forget the feeling of sharing our daily activities with my roommates at midnight, traveling with groups of friends on the weekends, taking a picture with my lovely roommates in front of Rockefeller Christmas Tree on December, and simplest things like sunbathing in the middle of the field front of our dorm after breakfast. I will forever be grateful for these memorable days and cherish them deep within my heart.

Overall, my journey with IISMA has been an incredible opportunity for personal and academic development. It has equipped me with the skills, knowledge, and experiences necessary to thrive in an increasingly interconnected world. IISMA has taught me how to thrive better socially and professionally. I am immensely grateful for the support of the Ministry of Education, Culture, Research, and Technology of the Republic of Indonesia and for the chance to embark on this transformative journey.





I'm immensely thankful to all the lecturers and staff members in the Public Health Department for their invaluable guidance and unwavering support throughout my journey. Without their mentorship and encouragement, I wouldn't have achieved what I have. A special mention goes to my parents and my Academic Advisor (PA), Dr. Sudirman Nasir, S.Ked., MWH., Ph.D. for their personalized guidance and constant support. Furthermore, I'd like to extend my heartfelt gratitude to the Office of International Affairs (KUI) for their continuous moral and practical assistance. Your collective efforts have not only enriched my experience but have also made my participation in IISMA 2023 profoundly meaningful. Thank you deeply for everything.



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