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THE INTERNATIONAL OFFICE, HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY VISITS PUSAT PENDIDIKAN LINGKUNGAN HIDUP OR CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION, PUNTONDO, TAKALAR.



As to follow-up to the Monday meeting, May 13, 2024 about the The 7th International Cultural Program (ICP) 2024 preparations, the International Office (IO), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) visited *Pusat Pendidikan Lingkungan Hidup* (PPLH) or Center for Environmental Education in Puntondo, Takalar Regency. This center will be a 3-day ICP field trip for participants. Likewise at last year's ICP, participants will spend 3 days here to further explore maritime culture including seaweed cultivation, interaction with maritime communities, *Bagang* (traditional fishing house) adventures and cooking classes using seaweed. The IO team visited including Andi Masyita Irwan, Ph.D (Head of IO), Muhammad Ridwan, M.A. (Secretary of IO), Saaduddin, Ph.D (IO Task Force, Khaeruddin, Ph.D (IO Task Force), the IO staff including Nasrah, M.Hum, Kumara Tungga Dewa, S.S., Andi Afifah Fayyadah, S.I.Kom and Erizal Zhafran Muyazzar Edison, S.I.Kom and one of the IO volunteers named Muhammad Jibran

When arriving at the Center, the team began to observe the facilities that Center has. The observation began with 6 available bungalows. Each of it can accommodate 4 people. The observation then continued to 2 house buildings that can accommodate 18 people. The IO team observed the facilities carefully and ensured that participants would understand that the concept of this field trip was camping. The next visit was to the final house building. Here the IO Team could see the capacity of each room. In this place, there are 4 large rooms that can accommodate 15-17 people per room..

The visit continued to observe the auditorium in which the participants would join the lecture session and briefing on a daily basis. The interior is unique and unlike the common auditorium anywhere found. The last visit was to observe the restaurant. The design of this restaurant was also uniquely designed with lots of stairs in which participants may choose at their convenience. The visit ended and the IO team departed to Makassar in the late afternoon. The result of this visit would again be assessed and evaluated by the IO team and would notify the Center for a final decision.



FACULTY OF LAW HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY'S TWO STUDY PROGRAMS UNDERWENT A FOUNDATION FOR INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION ACCREDITATION VISIT



"Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) continuously carries out optimization processes in various fields, including improving the quality of education, one of which is by encouraging study programs to receive international accreditation." said Prof. Dr. Ir. Jamaluddin Jompa, M.Sc.(Rector of UNHAS) well known as Prof. JJ. Two study programs at the Faculty of Law (FH), UNHAS underwent a visitation process from the international accreditation agency called Foundation for International Business Administration Accreditation (FIBAA). "The two study programs that were visited were Bachelor of Law Sciences and Bachelor of Public Administration Law," according to the Dean of FH, Prof. Dr. Hamzah Halim, S.H., M.H., M.A.P.

The assessors involved included Prof Dr Daniela Heid (Federal University of Applied Administrative Science, Brunl, Germany), Prof Dr Jur Jan Friedrich Bruckermann (FOM International University of Applied Sciences of Economy and Management), Julian Rossig (Capgemini Invent, Germany), Prof Dr Tolkah (Walisongo State Islamic University), and Kira Kock (University of Munster, Germany).

As a university, he said, UNHAS continuously carries out optimization processes in various fields, including improving the quality of education, one of which is by encouraging study programs to receive international accreditation. Furthermore, the Rector of UNHAS said that optimally facilitating and empowering all study programs to gain national and international recognition through several strategic steps.

As the largest state university with various achievements not only in Eastern Indonesia, he said, UNHAS needs to collaborate well with strategic partners so that the benefits of UNHAS as a higher education institution can be felt by the entire community. "The suggestions and input that will be given will enrich UNHAS, as well as be an encouragement for UNHAS to continue to improve its quality," said Prof JJ. He hopes that the various documents that have been prepared by the task force team are appropriate and will receive a good assessment. UNHAS considers this activity is a form of effort to make UNHAS continue to maintain the quality of education provided. The event then continued with a question and answer session from FIBAA assessors. In general, the assessors asked questions related to the learning process, infrastructure, quality assurance, and UNHAS' achievements in general. After the opening, the assessment process continued with the two study programs at FH. The assessment process was scheduled from Monday to Wednesday, May 6 – 8, 2024.



HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY HOLDS FOCUS GROUP DISCUSSION ON DECIDING *KEMITRAAN NEGERI BERKEMBANG* (KNB) RECIPIENTS.



Focus Group Discussion (FGD) was held on Saturday, May 18, 2024 at Meeting Room A 7th Floor Rectorate Building by the Directorate of Academic. The FGD was about the decision of *Kemitraan Negara Berkembang* (KNB) or Partnership of Developing Countries scholarship recipients. The FGD was led by Prof. drg. Muhammad Ruslin, M.Kes., Ph.D., SpBM(K) (Vice Rector for Academic and Students Affairs) and was joined by fellow Dean and Vice Deans at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS). The International Office itself was represented by Muhamad Ridwan, M.A. (IO Secretary) and Kumara Tungga Dewa (IO Staff).

In addition, Nurul Ichsani, S.Sos., M.I.Kom (Head of Sub Directorate of Admission) explained that this year UNHAS received around 400 applicants from KNB and half of them proceeded to the interview test. Regarding the interview test, there were around 200 applicants who passed to study at UNHAS, but unfortunately, the quota for 2024 is only 20 prospective students. The details are 2 people for the doctoral program, 16 people for the master's program and 2 people for the bachelor's program. All Deans and their representatives submitted the recommended names for all degrees. The Directorate of Academic will follow up with recapitulating and wrapping to be sent to Jakarta. The FGD ended and all parties left the meeting room.



THE INTERNATIONAL OFFICE, HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY PRESENTS GEOGRAPHY SERIES: INTRODUCING JAPAN



The International Office (IO), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) again presented an event called the Geography Series (G-Series) featuring Japan. The student named Jumpei Kadoguchi presented his country in front of approximately 200 local students and lecturers including several international students from Afghanistan, Madagascar, Sudan, Honduras and Yemen. The G-Series was carried out on Thursday, May 16, 2024 from 2 - 4 pm Central Indonesia Time (CIT) at Prof. La Tanro Hall, Faculty of Economics and Business (FEB). Also attending this event were all IO crew and volunteers. This G-Series was moderated by the IO student volunteer named Netalen Priscyla Adiestya

The G-Series began with an opening remark by Andi Masyitha Irwan, Ph.D (Head of IO). In her remark, she emphasized that G-Series aimed to enable international students to introduce his/her country, language and culture to UNHAS academic community. In addition, G-Series also enables UNHAS local students to practice their English skills. After the official opening, the G-series continued with Kadoguchi's presentation.

Mr. Kadoguchi started with his country's national anthem called *Kimigayo* which is an image of the emperor's glorious reign for the Japanese people. It was an incredible presenter as Mr. Kadoguchi, a researcher majoring in Sociology, spoke in *Bahasa Indonesia* during his presentation. G-Series participants were facilitated by his *bahasa* skills. They could more easily understand the content of the presentation. Mr. Kadoguchi then presented his first encounter with Indonesia, particularly UNHAS. It was in Sinjai, South Sulawesi he met a number of UNHAS students. His impression was the students were very friendly while he himself was quite shy. His encounter continues until now as he is doing his research on Sarung Sekomandi in Mamuju, Western Sulawesi.

He continued his presentation by introducing several cities in its landmarks including Tokyo tower. Moreover, he showed several cultural artifacts and cartoon characters in those cities like Tokyo, Nagoya, Yokohama, Fukuoka and his hometown, Osaka. He also figured out types of Japanese food and drinks such as Takoyaki, Okonomiyaki and the like. He introduced some tourist destinations in his hometown including Osaka castle, Hideyoshi Toyotomi and Gulico, etc as well as Japanese Katakana and Hiragana. His presentation was more attractive by showing several videos about Japan. Prior to the end, he managed to show the railroad networks that cover the entire Japan.

The moderator then invited the participants to propose the questions. There were a number of questions by the participants and Mr. Kadoguchi answered precisely. The moderator asked Mr. Kadoguchi to present a quiz. The participants who answered correctly were given IO merchandise. The G-Series ended with a photo session and getting to know among the participants and with Mr. Kadoguchi as well. *Sayonara!*







LECTURER OF GEOPHYSICS DEPARTMENT PARTICIPATES IN THE 6TH ASIA PACIFIC MEETING ON NEAR SURFACE GEOSCIENCE & ENGINEERING CONFERENCE IN TSUKUBA, JAPAN



Asia Pacific Meeting on Near Surface Geoscience & Engineering (NSGE) conference is an annual conference that focuses on near surface geoscience. The conference included a variety of miniconferences, an exhibition, and instrument demonstrations. In this 6th edition, the conference, which was organized by the European Association of Geoscientists and Engineers (EAGE) and the Society of Exploration Geophysicists of Japan (SEGJ), was held in Tsukuba, Japan from May 13 - 15, 2024 with the theme of "Smart Technologies Kind to the Planet".

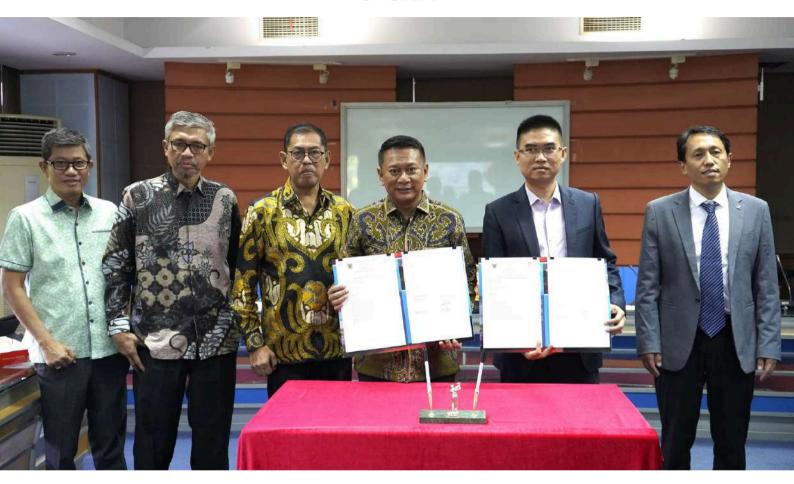
The conference was a remarkable gathering that attracted nearly 200 participants representing 24 countries and 103 organizations coming from Australia, America, Africa as well as Asia. This event stood out with over 80 technical presentations addressing the latest trends and developments in the field of near-surface geoscience and engineering. In addition to the enriching discussions and presentations, the conference also hosted an exhibition running parallel to the sessions, providing attendees with valuable insights and networking opportunities.

Delegation from Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), represented by Andi Muhamad Pramatadie Ph.D. from Geophysics Department Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences (MIPA), also participated in the conference as a poster presentation with the title of "Exploration of Shallow S-wave Velocity in Bandung Basin using Surface S-wave Velocity and H/V Method". The conference and presentation moment was utilized for networking and promoting UNHAS in an international event. Furthermore, a pre-conference workshop with the title of "Workshop on the Active and Passive Surface Wave Explorations" was participated by the delegation. This workshop covered recent development of active and passive surface wave explorations, including data acquisition (e.g., DAS), data processing (e.g., Machine Learning), and case studies (onshore and offshore). In addition, standardization of the surface wave explorations was discussed. We hope that the recent methods for surface wave exploration can be applied in the exploration, monitoring and mitigation efforts in Indonesia.





HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY SIGNS A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH ANHUI FUXIN EDUCATION FROM CHINA



Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Anhui Fixin Education from the People's Republic of China on Friday, May 17, 2024 at Meeting Room A 4th Floor of the Rectorate Building. This MoU signing was done by Prof. Dr. ng. Adi Maulana, M.Phil (Vice Rector for Partnership, Innovation, Entrepreneurship and Business) and Mr. Tian Zhaoshuo (Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of PT Edu Jobs. On this occasion, Prof. Adi stated that through this signing proved that UNHAS is committed to expanding its global partnership. "We do hope that after the signing, we can implement all the programs that have been planned particularly in student and academic staff exchange. It is hoped that those programs can improve the quality of education and broaden cultural horizons for both institutions."

Meanwhile, Mr Tian appreciated UNHAS's openness to establishing collaboration and partnership strategies with prestigious institutions in Indonesia. "Students from China plan to study in Indonesia, we are very honored and excited to start strategic collaboration with UNHAS. As a company dedicated to advancing the education sector, we see this collaboration as a great opportunity to deepen China and Indonesia in the fields of academics and culture." explained Mr Tian.

After the signing the Anhui Fuxin Education visited three different faculties in the medical complex such as the Faculty of Medicine (FK), Faculty of Dentistry (FKG) and Faculty of Nursing (FKep). The team was warmly welcomed by all Deans. In FK, for example, the team visited Anatomy Laboratory while in FKG, the team had a meeting with the Dean and academic community as well as in FKep. The visit ended in the afternoon and UNHAS looks forward to implementing the MoU.







MEET OUR STUVO: TAMEEM NAJEM

FROM PALESTINE MAJORING IN MANAGEMENT

Hello there! This is me, Tameem A.K.A. "Montana" comes from a small country in the Middle East, yet one that holds great value: beloved Palestine. I have been to multiple countries so far, including Egypt, United Arab Emirate, Malaysia and Turkey before coming to beloved Indonesia. Going on such a trip around the world evolved the instinct of exploring and discovery and that was what has been driving me through life since! My contentious search for new things to learn is what fuels my motivation to improve as a person. Saying so, a chance to become a student volunteer (STUVO) for the International Office (IO). Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) arose in the horizons! And I took it without hesitation.

With a wealth of new experiences and knowledge to enrich my journey, becoming a volunteer student stands out as one of the best decisions I've made during my academic life. The IO has enhanced my sense of innovation, time management, and dedication to work, all without any pressure and with complete flexibility. Moreover, it has provided me with the opportunity to meet and interact with important guests and successful individuals, offering me valuable learning experiences.



The warm, welcoming, and familial atmosphere of the IO Stands out! Saying it from past interactions with the office team has motivated me to apply for the position. Making new, kind, and lovely friends is also one of the most important aspects of this experience. The activities we engage in, the experiences we share, and the support we offer each other all contribute to my experience and academic life. Ending the article with a quote that says, "Run towards the things that scare you, for there you will find growth, courage, and the opportunity to become the person you are meant to be.'





After a bit of a long pause, this issue, the International Office (IO), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) began to feature one of its international students whose name is Hangivola Emyblonde Ratna, preferably called Ratna. She was born on June 16, 1993 in Toliara, a city in Madagascar. She is a recipient of *Beasiswa Kemitraan Negara Berkembang* (KNB) or Scholarship for Developing Countries Partnership funded by *Lembaga Pengelola Dana Pendidikan* (LPDP) or Indonesia Endowment Fund for Education since 2023. She is currently focusing on improving her *Bahasa Indonesia* skill as one of the requirements from this scholarship. The IO managed to interview her in her free time while studying the language.

There were several questions proposed to her such as how she found and decided to study at UNHAS, how she feels studying here, and her vision for a better UNHAS in the future. Ratna who is currently living at International Housing (RAMSIS), UNHAS, graduated from Institut de Formation Technique (IFT) University in Fianarantsoa and majored in Informatics. After graduating, she worked as a secretary at a high school for 7 years until I finally decided to continue her studies. Please read her responses below.

When asked how she found and decided to continue her study at UNHAS, she said that she came to Indonesia to study Communication, at Master level. She found UNHAS from her friend who gave her a website and chose UNHAS. Her friend also recommended UNHAS to her as there were no students from Madagascar studying at this university. She wished to be one of the first Madagascar students here and finally enrolled at this campus. She then completed the documents to register. She added by saying that she chose UNHAS as she had longed to go abroad. She had a friend studying in this country. He told me about life in Indonesia. She searched about Indonesia on the internet and she was interested in studying here. UNHAS itself offers a unique academic program, namely communication. In her country, this field of study is hard to find. For her, this is a great opportunity because it aligns with my interests. Studying at UNHAS is a transformative experience, offering opportunities for her personal growth, independence and self-discovery.



The second question was about her feelings during her study. Despite the fact that she is currently studying *Bahasa Indonesia*, she at first was lonely and homesick. But now, she feels at home. She already has friends here, Indonesian student friends for sure. They often take her for walks in Makassar city and try traditional Makassar food. There are lots of choices to enjoy Makassar cuisine and drinks. She has made friends not only with international students but also local students. She feels happy with that.

Finally, she was asked about her vision for a better UNHAS in the future. She responded by saying a simple thing namely seeing more international students studying here. Indeed, the numbers of students may not yet meet her expectations. However, keep in mind Ratna, UNHAS has been working on increasing the number and the day with huge numbers will come. As you are a KNB scholarship recipient, UNHAS will get more KNB students in the future for sure. She ended her responses and the IO wishes her the best in her study.

