



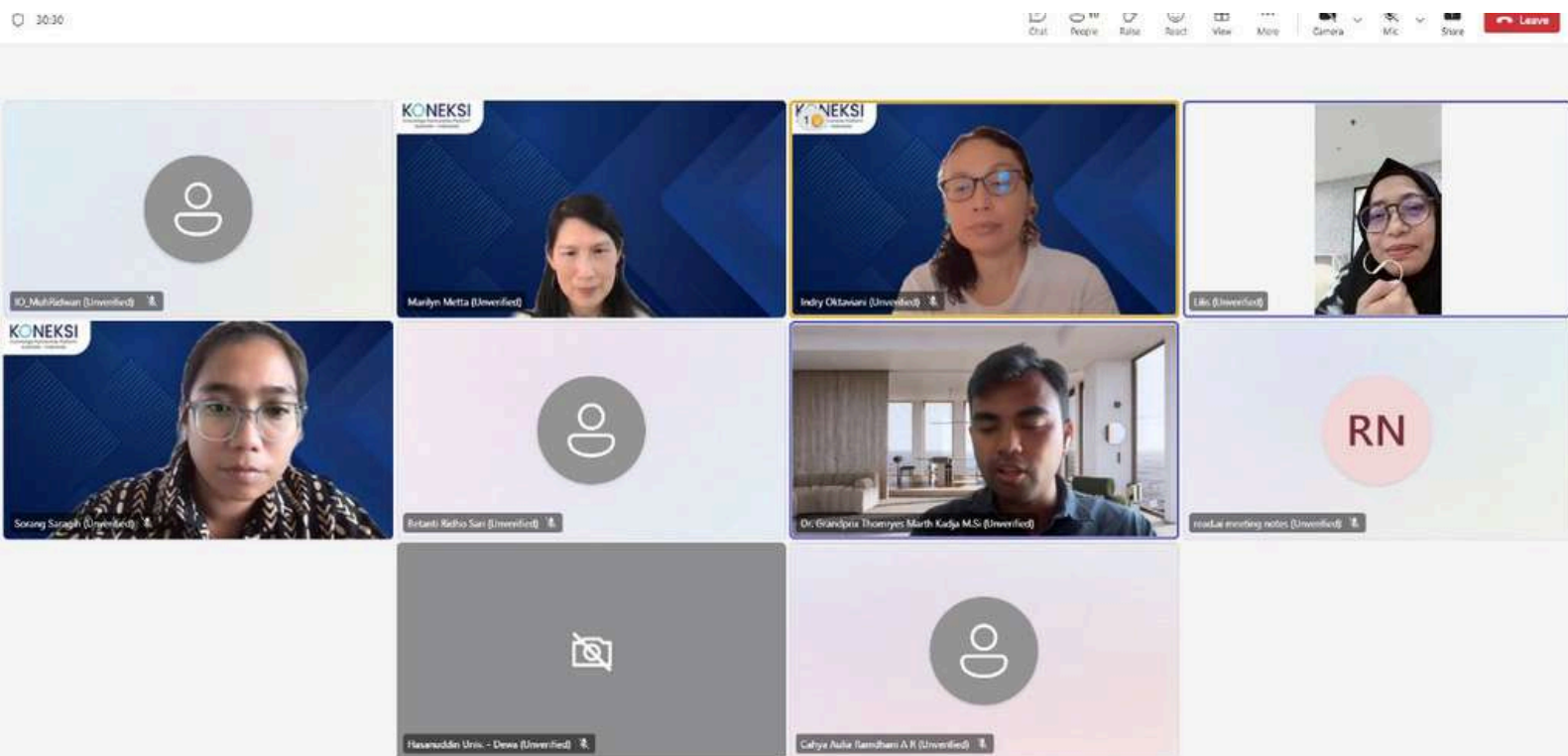
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## UNHAS, KONEKSI, AND ALMI STRENGTHEN COLLABORATION AHEAD OF KIMI & IAYSF 2025



The International Office (IO) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) together with the Knowledge Partnership Platform Indonesia–Australia (KONEKSI) and the Academy of Indonesian Young Scientists (ALMI) continue to move forward with preparations for two upcoming major events — the 4th National Congress of Indonesian Young Scientists (KIMI) and the 1st Indonesia–Australia Young Scientists Forum (IAYSF). A coordination meeting was held on Thursday, 16 October 2025, at 10 a.m. (WIB) to discuss technical and logistical details.

The virtual meeting brought together representatives from each institution. From KONEKSI were Marilyn Metta, Indry Octaviani, Sorang Saragih, and Betanti Ridho Sari. ALMI was represented by Lili and Dr. Grandprix Thomryes Marth Kadja, while the UNHAS IO team was represented by Muhammad Ridwan, M.A., Nasrah, M.Hum., Kumara Tungga Dewa, S.S., and Cahya Aulia Ramadhani, S.I.Kom. The discussion focused on ensuring smooth coordination and successful implementation of both the national and international events.

Before the online coordination, an in-person meeting had taken place at the UNHAS Hotel and Convention Center on Saturday, 11 October 2025. The meeting was attended by Dr. Grandprix, Prof. Firzan Nainu, and the IO team members to directly review the facilities that will be used in December. The visit served as a venue assessment to ensure that all arrangements will meet the needs of participants.



During the site visit, Dr. Grandprix—fondly known as Dr. GP—expressed his appreciation for the UNHAS facilities. After inspecting the ballroom, several meeting rooms, and hotel accommodations, he remarked that the facilities are well-prepared to support international-scale academic events like KIMI and IAYSF





## **UNHAS STUDENT WINS DOUBLE AWARDS AT INTERNATIONAL YOUTH INNOVATION SUMMIT 2025**



From 6 to 11 October 2025, the International Youth Innovation Summit (IYIS) 2025 was successfully held by Global Youthpreneur Nusantara (GYN) under the theme “*Youth Digital Innovation.*” This international program brought together young delegates from universities across Indonesia and Southeast Asia to strengthen leadership, innovation, and collaboration skills in addressing global challenges.

Among the selected Indonesian delegates was Nur Azizah Ramadhani, a student from the Department of Geophysics, Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences (FMIPA), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS). During the summit, delegates were grouped into multidisciplinary teams consisting of participants from various provinces. Each team was tasked with designing and presenting innovative project ideas related to global sustainable development issues, fostering creativity, critical thinking, and cross-cultural cooperation.



The summit featured a series of academic and professional activities. The delegates began their journey with campus visits and academic exchanges at several leading institutions in Southeast Asia. At the National University of Singapore (NUS), participants attended discussions introducing the university's education system, cutting-edge research programs, and scholarship opportunities for international students. They also explored world-class facilities that support research and student development. The visit to Prince of Songkla University (PSU) in Thailand focused on the Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn Natural History Museum, where delegates observed preserved specimens, geological samples, and biodiversity exhibits that deepened their understanding of environmental preservation. The final visit took place at Universiti Malaya (UM) in Malaysia, where delegates explored the University of Malaya Library and its Art Gallery, viewing mixed-media artworks and experiencing an enriching academic atmosphere.

One of the highlights of the program was the Youth Project Presentation and Awarding Session, where delegates showcased their innovative ideas aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Nur Azizah and her team presented a project that stood out for its originality, impact, and clarity. Their dedication and teamwork earned them two top honors—1st Place for Best Innovation and 1st Place for Best Presentation—a remarkable achievement that underscored their ability to transform creative ideas into practical solutions for global sustainability.





The participants also joined company and cultural visits in Thailand, including Erawadee Traditional Herbal Shop, Samila Beach, Sleeping Buddha Temple, and the Floating Market in Hatyai. These activities allowed delegates to learn about local industries that blend traditional knowledge with modern innovation while immersing themselves in Thai culture and traditions.

Throughout the summit, delegates participated in various networking and collaboration sessions, connecting with students and young professionals from diverse backgrounds. These exchanges encouraged the sharing of ideas, experiences, and perspectives, strengthening leadership and global engagement among youth participants.

The IYIS 2025 concluded with great success, leaving lasting academic, social, and cultural impressions on all participants. The achievements of delegates like Nur Azizah Ramadhani reflect the growing spirit of innovation and collaboration among Indonesian youth—future leaders who are ready to contribute to sustainable development at both national and global levels.





## **UNHAS WELCOMES MONITORING AND EVALUATION TEAM FOR KNB SCHOLARSHIP IMPLEMENTATION**



Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), through its International Office (IO), welcomed the Monitoring and Evaluation (Monev) team from the Directorate of Institutional Affairs, Ministry of Higher Education, Science, and Technology on the 17th of October 2025. The visit focused on evaluating the implementation of the *Kemitraan Negara Berkembang* (KNB) or Developing Countries Partnership Scholarship program at UNHAS.

Currently, UNHAS is home to 23 KNB awardees pursuing their undergraduate, master's, and doctoral degrees across various faculties. The Monev team consisted of four representatives, namely Mr. AA Sodikin, Ms. Armaeni, Ms. Risma Sari, and Mr. Udin. From UNHAS, the meeting involved several related units, including the International Office, the Directorate of Academic and Student Affairs, the Finance Office, and the Language Services Unit.

The Monev session continued with a presentation by Kumara Tungga Dewa, S.S., Mobility Program Staff of the IO UNHAS. His presentation highlighted the overall implementation and achievements of the KNB Scholarship program at UNHAS. Following the presentation, a question-and-answer session was held, during which the Monev team provided feedback and sought clarification on several aspects of the program's execution.



The evaluation was divided into two main sessions. The first session involved discussions between the Monev team and UNHAS administrative staff, while the second session focused on direct engagement with the KNB awardees. The meeting with UNHAS representatives concluded before the Friday prayer, and the session with the scholarship awardees took place afterward. As a host university, UNHAS expressed its hope for a positive evaluation outcome, reflecting its commitment to maintaining high standards in managing international scholarship programs.







## **STUVO UNHAS CONDUCTS INDONESIAN LANGUAGE CLASS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS 2025**



The International Office (IO) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), through its Student Volunteers (STUVO), organized the Indonesian Class for International Students, Batch 2025, on the 17th of October 2025. The class serves as a complementary program to the *Bahasa Indonesia untuk Penutur Asing (BIPA)* or Indonesian Language for Non-Native Speakers course facilitated by the Language Services Unit of UNHAS.

This initiative, facilitated by the STUVO of IO, aims to provide international students with practical opportunities to apply what they have learned in the classroom and to enhance their communication skills in real-life contexts. By integrating language learning with cultural experiences, the program encourages students to engage confidently with local communities and understand Indonesian culture from a more personal perspective.



The Week 1 session was led by Aqilah Putri, Nayla Wijayanti, and Zulfiqri Saputra Samsul, supported by Aqifah Naylah Alifya Safar, Anis Abdullah Assyaukani, Muammar Khadafi Arrafif Putra Rum, and Andi Milhan. The Week 2 session was led by Aqifah Naylah Alifya Safar, Andi Milhan, and Muammar Khadafi Arrafif Putra Rum, alongside Nadya Salsabila, Aqilah Putri, Fakhra Ayesha Tajrin, and Rifhky Arishall.

The program was held at the International Housing (RAMSIS) and was fully managed by STUVO. In the first week, the lessons covered pronouns, question words, prepositions, and positions. Meanwhile, in the second week, the focus of learning was on sentence structure, self-introduction, as well as directions and places.

The materials presented in both sessions were designed to be interactive, practical, and culturally relevant, focusing on everyday expressions and real-world situations. Participants learned not only modern standard Indonesian but also common Makassar dialect phrases, allowing them to appreciate the linguistic diversity and cultural nuances of their new environment.

Through this program, the STUVO of IO aim to build a supportive and inclusive atmosphere for international students, fostering stronger cross-cultural communication and deeper mutual understanding within the UNHAS community.





## UNHAS HOLDS INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON GLOBAL PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY INNOVATION



The Faculty of Public Health (FKM), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) successfully held the “2nd International Conference on Safety and Public Health” with the theme “Global Research and Innovation for Safety and Public Health.” The event officially opened on 15 October 2025 and ran until 16 October 2025, at the UNHAS Hotel and Convention, Makassar.

The conference was attended by the Rector of UNHAS, Prof. Dr. Ir. Jamaluddin Jompa, M.Sc., as well as academics, practitioners, and speakers from various countries. This event served as an important forum for sharing knowledge and innovation in the field of safety and public health. The conference opening began with a safety induction by UNHAS Occupational Health and Safety Unit (K3) volunteers, followed by traditional dance performances, the singing of the Indonesian national anthem, a prayer, and a series of official speeches.



In her report, Committee Chair Andi Wahyuni, SKM., M.Kes, said that the conference was attended by more than 300 participants, with 80 participants taking part in oral presentations. The Chair of the Scientific Committee, Prof. Yahya Thamrin, S.KM., M.Kes., MOHS., Ph.D, emphasized his hope that this conference would become a forum for collaboration that not only shared knowledge but also produced innovative research in the field of occupational safety and health.

The Dean of FKM UNHAS, Prof. Sukri Palutturi, SKM, M.Kes., MSc.PH., Ph.D, enthusiastically welcomed the participation of various institutions and affirmed his commitment to public health education and community service in facing global health challenges.

The Rector of UNHAS, Prof. Jamaluddin Jompa, highlighted the importance of the maritime sector in public health issues, emphasizing that worker welfare depends not only on curative services but also on policies, regulations, and promotive and preventive programs.

Representative of the Governor of South Sulawesi, Andi Sudirman Sulaiman, conveyed the importance of exchanging ideas on OSH issues in the era of urban mobility, as well as the readiness of a resilient system based on research and prevention.

On the first day, the conference featured Indonesia's Deputy Minister of Health II, Dr. Benjamin Paulus Octavianus, Sp.PKR, who presented on "Health Policies and Programs to Realize Indonesia Emas 2045". He emphasized the Ministry of Health's main programs, such as free health checks, improving the quality of hospitals, and eradicating tuberculosis (TB).





The Director of Occupational Safety and Health Institutional Development, Drs. Muhammad Idham, M.K.K.K., also presented material on occupational safety culture, ILO policies related to OSH, the 5E approach to building a safety culture, and the Ministry of Manpower's strategic efforts in addressing OSH issues.

The next session featured Prof. Orawan Kaewbooncho from Mahidol University, who discussed environmental and psychological factors that affect the quality of life of the elderly. Dr. Ismaniza Ismail, Ph.D from Mara University of Technology, raised the topic of psychosocial risks faced by women in the informal sector. Furthermore Prof. dr. Veni Hadju, M.Sc., Ph.D from UNHAS, presented the potential of Moringa Oleifera (moringa leaves) as an intervention to improve the nutritional status and health of pregnant women in Indonesia. Additionally this conference is expected to open up more opportunities for innovative research collaboration in the field of occupational safety and health (OSH). The event continued with oral presentations and scientific discussions on 16 October 2025.





## **FACULTY OF VOCATIONAL STUDIES UNHAS STRENGTHENS INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION THROUGH ERASMUS+ APPLIED SOCIO WORKSHOP IN BANDUNG**



The Faculty of Vocational Studies (FV), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) participated in the Workshop on the Preparation of the Enhancing Indonesian Higher Education in Applied Social Sciences through EU Collaboration (APPLIED SOCIO) Project Proposal organized by the Vocational School of Universitas Padjadjaran. The two-day workshop is part of the Erasmus+ Capacity Building in Higher Education (CBHE) programme funded by the European Union, aiming to foster international partnerships and enhance the quality of higher education through global collaboration on 16 - 17 October 2025.

UNHAS was represented by Prof. Dr. Ida Leida Maria, SKM., MKM., MSc., PhD and Nur Lisani, S.ST.Par., M.Sc. The event was attended by distinguished speakers including Prof. Kai Handel, Project Coordinator from Osnabrück University of Applied Sciences, Germany, and Natalya Sharavatova, Project Co-Coordinator, alongside representatives from Saxion University of Applied Sciences, the Netherlands, and partner institutions in Indonesia such as Universitas Brawijaya, Universitas Sebelas Maret, IPB University, and Universitas Padjadjaran as the host.

The workshop, held at the Savoy Homann Hotel, Bandung, carried the theme APPLIED SOCIO. It served as a platform for initiating the joint development of a collaborative proposal under the Erasmus+ CBHE 2026–2028 framework.



The Erasmus+ CBHE program is a key action of the European Union that supports the modernization, accessibility, and internationalization of higher education institutions (HEIs) in partner countries. CBHE projects are designed to strengthen cooperation between higher education institutions in Europe and across the world through innovative curriculum design, staff training, research collaboration, and institutional development. Through this framework, Indonesian universities gain opportunities to enhance academic capacity, align vocational education with international standards, and integrate social innovation and sustainability into their teaching and learning systems. The Erasmus+ CBHE initiative also emphasizes inclusivity, employability, and the relevance of higher education to the needs of society and the labor market.

The APPLIED SOCIO project, which stands for Enhancing Indonesian Higher Education in Applied Social Sciences through EU Collaboration, aims to address the growing need for globally competent graduates in the field of social sciences. The project seeks to modernize vocational and applied programs in Indonesia by introducing pedagogical innovations such as teaching factories, experiential learning, social entrepreneurship, and community-based internships. During the workshop, participants engaged in sessions on needs analysis, joint problem identification, capacity-building strategies, and proposal structuring for submission to the Erasmus+ CBHE 2026 call. Discussions also explored opportunities for creating Centers of Teaching Excellence in social sciences and mechanisms for ensuring project sustainability beyond the grant period.





Participation of the FV UNHAS in this international workshop reaffirms its strategic commitment to advancing global cooperation and strengthening vocational education through evidence-based, innovative, and inclusive approaches. According to Prof. Dr. Ida Leida Maria, the collaboration opens doors for UNHAS to take part in developing a future-oriented model of vocational education that bridges the gap between academia, industry, and community development. Meanwhile, Nur Lisani, S.ST.Par., M.Sc., emphasized that the APPLIED SOCIO initiative aligns with UNHAS's mission to promote sustainable, socially responsible, and internationally recognized vocational programs.

The workshop concluded with a shared commitment among all participants to continue working collaboratively in finalizing the project proposal for submission to the European Commission under the Erasmus+ CBHE 2026–2028 cycle. Through this engagement, UNHAS continues to demonstrate leadership and innovation in strengthening its international networks and ensuring that vocational education contributes meaningfully to Indonesia's social transformation and global competitiveness.





## **EXPLORING THE CONCEPT OF HEALTHY ISLANDS: LEARNING PUBLIC HEALTH ADMINISTRATION IN THE PACIFIC ISLANDS**



As part of its commitment to expanding global perspectives in the field of public health, the Faculty of Public Health (FKM), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) held an international guest lecture on the theme “Public Health Administration in Pacific Island Countries.” The event featured Dr. Shubham Pathak, Assistant Professor and Assistant Dean for International Affairs at the School of Accountancy and Finance (SAFE), Walailak University (WU), Thailand, who shared insights on how health systems in the Pacific Islands region are developed and implemented amid unique geographical and social challenges.

The event took place on 7 October 2025 at 1:30 PM CIT in the Kadow Room on the 2nd floor of FKM UNHAS, and was also broadcast online via Zoom Meeting. In his opening remarks, the Dean of FKM UNHAS, Prof. Sukri Palutturi, SKM., M.Kes., MSc.PH., Ph.D., stated that such activities serve as an important platform for students to understand various health policy models from around the world. “International forums such as this broaden our understanding of how cultural and geographical factors shape healthcare approaches in each country,” said Prof. Sukri. The session was moderated by Prof. Anwar, SKM., M.Sc., Ph.D., who led the event in an interactive style. Active participation from students and lecturers was evident from the start, especially during the question-and-answer session, where various questions were asked about strategies for strengthening public health in the archipelago.



In his presentation, Dr. Shubham Pathak recounted the emergence of the Healthy Islands concept, which became an important milestone in health development in Pacific countries. He explained that the concept originated from a meeting of Health Ministers in Fiji in 1995, who agreed on the need for a shared vision in strengthening public health systems. "The Healthy Islands concept is a shared vision to protect and promote health across all Pacific island nations," explained Dr. Shubham. He emphasized that the concept places human health on par with nature conservation and local values. "Through this concept, Pacific countries are working to strengthen leadership, governance, and accountability in health systems so that implementation is equitable in both urban and rural areas," he continued.

Dr. Shubham further explained that the main mission of the Healthy Islands initiative is to ensure that every community can live in a healthy, safe environment that supports their well-being. "This movement emphasizes the development of a healthy generation, both physically and mentally, by reducing disease and premature death through prevention efforts," he said. He also highlighted developments in the health sector in the Pacific region since the implementation of the concept. Various health indicators have shown significant improvements, such as increased life expectancy and decreased mortality rates. According to him, several Pacific countries have also demonstrated a strong commitment to controlling health risk factors.





However, Dr. Shubham noted that behind these achievements, there are still major challenges that must be addressed. The Pacific region, consisting of many small islands scattered across a vast area, faces significant geographical barriers that make it difficult to provide equitable health services. Limited transportation access to remote areas further complicates healthcare delivery, while health infrastructure in many islands remains inadequate in terms of facilities and medical personnel. As a result, people in remote areas often do not receive sufficient healthcare services.

He also discussed the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, which has worsened the condition of the health system in the region. The pandemic led to a reduction in foreign funding support and increased economic pressure, which in turn affected the capacity and resilience of health workers. Despite these challenges, the Healthy Islands concept continues to serve as a strong foundation for collaborative and sustainable health development across the Pacific.

Participants of the guest lecture expressed that the activity opened up new insights into the importance of a cross-cultural approach in building a sustainable health system. They said they were inspired by the experiences of Pacific countries in maintaining a balance between human health, the environment, and local values. For students, the session provided a valuable learning experience that enriched their understanding of how the Healthy Islands concept can be adapted and applied within the Indonesian context.



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