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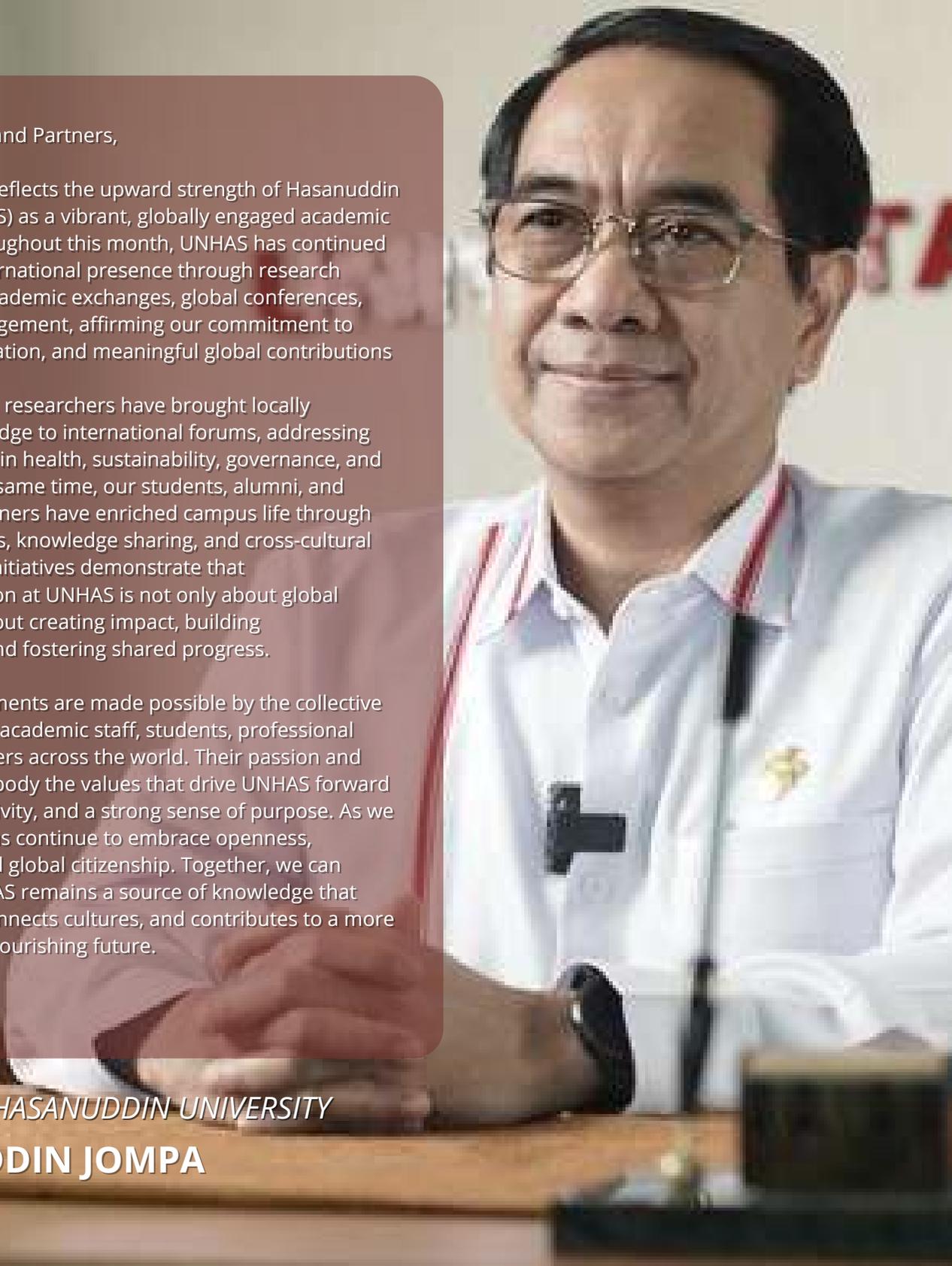
November 2025 reflects the upward strength of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) as a vibrant, globally engaged academic community. Throughout this month, UNHAS has continued to expand its international presence through research collaborations, academic exchanges, global conferences, and cultural engagement, affirming our commitment to excellence, innovation, and meaningful global contributions

Our lecturers and researchers have brought locally grounded knowledge to international forums, addressing global challenges in health, sustainability, governance, and humanity. At the same time, our students, alumni, and international partners have enriched campus life through mobility programs, knowledge sharing, and cross-cultural dialogue. These initiatives demonstrate that internationalization at UNHAS is not only about global exposure, but about creating impact, building understanding, and fostering shared progress.

All these achievements are made possible by the collective dedication of our academic staff, students, professional teams, and partners across the world. Their passion and collaboration embody the values that drive UNHAS forward—integrity, inclusivity, and a strong sense of purpose. As we move ahead, let us continue to embrace openness, collaboration, and global citizenship. Together, we can ensure that UNHAS remains a source of knowledge that serves society, connects cultures, and contributes to a more sustainable and flourishing future.

Warm regards,

RECTOR OF HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY
JAMALUDDIN JOMPA





UNHAS PROFESSOR PRESENTS RESEARCH FINDINGS AT THE PAN-AFRICAN ONCOLOGY CONFERENCE



The Faculty of Medicine (FK), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), once again demonstrated its professionalism on the international stage. One of the FK professors, Prof. Dr. dr. Rina Masadah, Sp.PA(K), M.Phil., DFM, who currently serves as the Vice Dean for Publication, Community Service, and International Affairs, participated in the 15th International Conference on Cancer in Africa, held from 1-6 November 2025, in Hammamet, Tunisia.

On this occasion, Prof. Rina Masadah presented her research entitled "MUC5AC Protein Expression as a Potential Prediction of Metastasis in Mucinous Ovarian Carcinoma: Unveiling a New Biomarker in a Rare Cancer Subtype." The study highlights an important topic on the potential of a new biomarker for detecting metastasis in a rare subtype of mucinous ovarian carcinoma, which is expected to contribute to the advancement of diagnostic and therapeutic strategies for cancer in the future.

In addition, Prof. Rina Masadah also presented another paper entitled "Home-Based Palliative Care Training for Cancer Patients' Caregivers." This research emphasizes the importance of home-based palliative care training for cancer caregivers to enhance patients' quality of life and promote a more humane and sustainable care system.

Prof. Rina Masadah's participation in this international oncology conference reflects the commitment of the FK UNHAS to strengthening its academic contributions in global health while enhancing the university's recognition and reputation at the international level.





PROF. BABATUNDE O. BAMGBOSE FROM NIGERIA CONDUCTS RESEARCH COLLABORATION AND ACADEMIC EXCHANGE WITH FACULTY OF DENTISTRY, UNHAS



The Faculty of Dentistry (FKG), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) is honoured to welcome Prof. Babatunde O. Bamgbose from Bayero University, Nigeria who will conduct a research collaboration and engage in academic activity during his visit for a year. Prof. Babatunde will conduct research entitled "A study of Fourth Molar using Panoramic Radiograph: Clinical Significance and Prevalence in Indonesian Sub-Population." This study aims to identify the prevalence, clinical significance and associated pathologies of fourth molars among patients in Makassar, Indonesia.

In addition, Prof. Babatunde will also participate in academic activities, particularly in the field of dental radiology. He will serve as a guest lecturer for both dental radiology specialist students and undergraduate students. This collaboration is expected to become a platform to gain a broader knowledge in the field of dental radiology and also to open an opportunity for future partnership between the two universities.

FACULTY OF DENTISTRY UNHAS WELCOMES PROF. DR. NOR ADINAR BINTI BAHARUDDIN FROM UNIVERSITI MALAYA



Faculty of Dentistry (FKG), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) proudly welcomed Prof. Dr. Nor Adinar Binti Baharuddin from the Department of Restorative Dentistry, Faculty of Dentistry, Universiti Malaya (UM), Malaysia who visited the faculty from 11 - 28 November 2025 as part of an academic collaboration and knowledge sharing initiative through a guest lecture program.

During her visit, Prof. Nor Adinar delivered a series of insightful lectures to undergraduate students and periodontia residents. Her sessions provided valuable perspective on the latest developments in Dentistry, particularly in the field of periodontology. The guest lecture topics were Artificial Intelligence in Dentistry: Past, Present, and Future; Current Concepts of Management of Periodontal Disease; Saliva as an Optimal Biological Fluid; and Periodontitis is Rampant: Can a Questionnaire Curb it? In addition, the program also included case discussion sessions, clinical observations, and hospital visits. These sessions aimed to enrich the overall academic experience in and knowledge of clinical practices.

This visit was seen as an opportunity to strengthen the academic collaboration and international cooperation between UNHAS and UM. It was also a valuable experience for both undergraduate students and periodontia residents of the Faculty of Dentistry to learn directly from a respected international expert. The Faculty of Dentistry UNHAS extends its appreciation to Prof. Dr. Nor Adinar Binti Baharuddin for her valuable contributions throughout her visit.



UNHAS HOSTS FIRST PRE-WORKSHOP FOR THE 2026 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON FLOURISHING HUMANITY, ADVANCING GLOBAL RESEARCH ON HUMAN WELL-BEING



Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) officially launched the first Pre-Workshop in preparation for the 2026 International Conference on Flourishing Humanity, marking the beginning of a three-stage workshop series leading toward the 24th International Conference on Indigenous Psychology. Organized by the Department of Psychology, Faculty of Medicine (FK), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), the workshop took place on 13–15 November 2025 at Institute for Quality Assurance and Educational Development (LPMPP) UNHAS and the Senate Room of the Faculty of Medicine (FK), gathering scholars and academics committed to strengthening scientific understanding and fostering research collaboration ahead of next year's international forum.

The three-day workshop was led by Prof. Uichol Kim of Inha University, South Korea, a distinguished scholar in cross-cultural psychology and flourishing research. More than 60 academic participants attended, representing institutions such as Bosowa University, Makassar State University (UNM), Atma Jaya University, Universitas Surabaya (Ubaya), and National Institute of Public Administration, along with academic representatives from UNHAS including the Department of Psychology as host, the Faculty of Public Health (FKM), and the Faculty of Social and Political Sciences (FISIP).

The workshop opened with a discussion on the scientific significance of flourishing research, grounded in findings from the Global Flourishing Study, a major international project led by Harvard University. The longitudinal study involved 200,000 participants across 22 countries using nationally representative samples and annual data collection across five waves. It measured indicators such as happiness and life satisfaction, meaning and purpose, mental and physical health, character and virtue, quality of social relationships, and financial and material stability. Remarkably, Indonesia ranked highest among all participating countries including Argentina, Australia, Brazil, China (Hong Kong), Egypt, Germany, India, Israel, Japan, Kenya, Mexico, Nigeria, the Philippines, Poland, Turkey, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Tanzania, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

These findings highlight a compelling paradox: although Indonesia does not lead in objective socioeconomic factors such as income, social protection, and infrastructure, it consistently demonstrates the highest levels of human flourishing. This raises a powerful scientific inquiry regarding the psychological, cultural, and social mechanisms that enable such flourishing, positioning Indonesia as a critical case in global flourishing research and reinforcing the importance of the workshop as an initial step toward uncovering these dynamics.





THE HEALTH RESEARCH ETHICS COMMITTEE OF FACULTY OF DENTISTRY-UNHAS DENTAL HOSPITAL RECEIVED INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION FROM SIDCER-FERCAP



Komite Etik Penelitian Kesehatan (KPEK) or the Health Research Ethics Committee of the Faculty of Dentistry (FKG)-Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) Dental Hospital has officially received international recognition from the Forum for Ethical Review Committees in Asia and the Western Pacific (FERCAP). The certificate was personally received by the Chair of the KEPK, Erni Marlina, drg., Ph.D., Sp.PM., Subsp.Inf.Im (K), together with the Secretary, Muhammad Ikbal, drg., Ph.D., Sp.Pros., Subsp.PKIKG (K), at the FERCAP Recognition Ceremony held as part of the FERCAP Annual International Conference held from 23 to 26 November 2025 at the Eastin Grand Hotel, Bangkok, Thailand.

This recognition affirms that KEPK FKG-Rumah Sakit Gigi dan Mulut (RSGM) or Dental Hospital of UNHAS has met the international standards for ethical review of health research in accordance with the WMA Declaration of Helsinki, the WHO Standards and Operational Guidance for Ethics Review, and International Council for Harmonization (ICH)-Good Clinical Practice (GCP) Guidelines. This achievement strengthens the position of FKG-RSGM UNHAS as an institution committed to scientific research integrity and ethical research practice.

The Chair of KEPK expressed gratitude for the achievement and highlighted the dedication of all Committee members as well as the strong support from Faculty of Dentistry and UNHAS Dental Hospital. In the same vein, the Secretary of KEPK stated that this recognition is a source of motivation to continue improving capacity and Quality by Design through ethics training for researchers, highlighting that the FERCAP recognition is not the end, but the beginning of the greater responsibility.

The Dean of FKG UNHAS, Irfan Sugianto, drg., M.Med.Ed., Ph.D., Sp.RKG, and the Director of RSGMP UNHAS, Dr. Andi Tajrin, drg., M.Kes., Sp.BM.M., Subsp.C.O.M. (K), expressed their appreciation, stating that this recognition enhances institutional reputation and confidence among international research partners, especially as only two dental faculties in Indonesia currently hold the FERCAP recognition. Moreover, the RSGMP UNHAS became the first teaching hospital in Indonesia with FERCAP recognition.

It is hoped that this milestone will pave the way for broader opportunities in ethical international research collaboration and strengthen responsibility in academic research.



UNITING FOR CLIMATE RESILIENCE: FKM UNHAS HOSTS INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH FORUM



The Faculty of Public Health (FKM), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) reaffirmed its commitment to addressing global health challenges related to the climate crisis by organizing an International Guest Lecture entitled “Public Health in a Climate-Changing World: Rethinking Risk Across Species and Scales” on Monday, November 10, 2025, in Makassar. The event was part of the commemoration of FKM UNHAS’ 43rd anniversary and served as a strategic platform for strengthening international scientific networks. The session featured keynote speaker Prof. Dr. E.M. (Eileen) Moyer from the Department of Anthropology, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands, a distinguished scholar known for her research linking health, ecology, and social justice.

The guest lecture was officially opened by Prof. Dr. Atjo Wahyu, S.KM., M.Kes., and Prof. Anwar Mallongi, S.KM., M.Sc.PH., Ph.D., who highlighted the need for interdisciplinary synergy in responding to the complex health impacts triggered by climate change. Support was also expressed by the Head of the Department of Epidemiology, Dr. Dian Sidik Arsyad, S.KM., M.KM., Ph.D., who emphasized that international academic forums such as this are vital for building global research collaboration and strengthening partnerships with European universities. He noted that the climate crisis demands integrated research efforts and strong policy alignment.

The Dean of FKM UNHAS, Prof. Sukri Palutturi, SKM., M.Kes., M.Sc.PH., Ph.D., stated that climate change has evolved into a multidimensional global challenge requiring cross-border cooperation. He affirmed that FKM UNHAS is committed to contributing through research, education, and advocacy grounded in scientific evidence. He also highlighted that the strengthening of global academic networks aligns with the institution's vision to take part in shaping future public health directions and to maintain its position as a progressive and globally connected academic institution.

The 90-minute discussion, moderated by Basir, S.KM., M.Sc., encouraged active participation from lecturers, students, and researchers who shared real experiences of climate-related public health issues across Indonesia. Topics discussed included increasing extreme temperatures, shifting rainfall patterns, rising cases of environment-based diseases such as dengue fever and diarrhoea, and the growing threat posed by plastic pollution and microplastic exposure.

In her presentation, Prof. Eileen Moyer underscored that human health is inseparable from ecosystem health and urged participants to revisit public health through a cross-species ecological perspective. Participants concluded that collaborative international action, community-based research strengthening, and integrating environmental perspectives into national health policies are essential steps in mitigating the public health impacts of climate change. The guest lecture not only provided a platform for global knowledge exchange but also strengthened the role of FKM UNHAS as a centre for innovation and partnership in sustainable public health development.





LIQUID ENTANGLEMENTS: WEAVING WATER STORIES ACROSS THE GLOBAL SOUTH AMIDST CLIMATE CHANGE



The Faculty of Social and Political Sciences (FISIP) at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) collaborated with the Amsterdam Institute for Social Science Research (AISSR) at the Universiteit van Amsterdam to host a four-day workshop from 11-15 November 2025 at the Marine Station of the Faculty of Marine Sciences and Fisheries (FIKP), UNHAS. Funded by the BRIDGES for Sustainability Program, the event brought together academics, artists, storytellers, and community members from Indonesia, South Africa, Brazil, Spain, and the Netherlands to explore how water, its histories, and its political dimensions shape life across the Global South. The workshop used creative and dialogical approaches to understand climate change while fostering cross-border solidarity.

The program opened with a seminar discussing colonial histories connecting Cape Town, Batavia, and the Netherlands—referred to as ABC: Amsterdam, Batavia, and Cape Town. Participants examined how Dutch East India Company maritime routes from the 17th century influenced contemporary inequalities in water resource management, extractive practices, and urban development. The seminar highlighted two themes: “Voyages to the Far East: Colonialism, Power, and Memory from Amsterdam to Makassar” and “Tides of Empire: From VOC Trade Routes to Water Diplomacy,” demonstrating how colonial infrastructure reshaped rivers, coastlines, and settlements, contributing to today’s climate vulnerabilities.

On the second day, participants engaged in storytelling through drawing, sharing personal relationships with water and collaboratively producing a 2 m x 1 m artwork to visualize their narratives. The third day included a visit to Sokola Pesisir near the Center Point of Indonesia (CPI), where participants discussed land reclamation impacts with school administrators and students. They then joined a workshop on stop-motion animation as an accessible medium for environmental messaging. The fourth day focused on coral reef conservation and transplantation in partnership with Sangkarrang Ocean Dive (SOD), which has led rehabilitation and environmental education around Barrang Lompo Island.

The workshop produced two key outputs: a co-created zine with Makassar artist Hira Sanada, and a documentary directed by Laode Maruf from Wakatobi, capturing the creative processes and conceptual foundations of the event. These outcomes aim to strengthen environmental humanities research through art, storytelling, embodied learning, and multispecies perspectives, while also supporting communities affected by flooding, pollution, and reclamation to participate in climate policy dialogue.

Participants included Dr. Andi Ahmad Hasan Tenriliweng, Nur Isdah Idris, PhD, Sy Sultan Hamdi S.Sos, M.Sc., and Muh. Ashry Sallatu from UNHAS; and Prof. Eileen Moyer, Dr. Laurens Bakker, Dr. Karen Paiva Henrique, Emily Ragus, Amanda Mokoena, Saur Marlina “Butet” Manurung, and Ariadna Romans I Torrent from the University of Amsterdam. Artists and storytellers included Azola Kwerqe, Nosipho Boo, Bahle Mazeka, Thembisa Nomlala from South Africa, and Saleh Hanan from Wakatobi, Pengenum Tampung and Bediri representing the Orang Rimba, and Salma from Sokola Pesisir. Reflecting on the workshop, Amanda emphasized the emergence of new narratives and anti-colonial research approaches, while Bahle noted that water became not only a catalyst for crisis but a medium for connection across disciplines, histories, and nations.





WCGSS 2025 AFFIRMS THE FUTURE OF MARITIME COMMUNITIES THROUGH SCIENCE, PROSPERITY, AND SUSTAINABILITY



The Faculty of Social and Political Sciences (FISIP) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) successfully held the World Conference on Governance and Social Sciences (WCGSS) 2025 on 11–12 November 2025, marking the second edition of this international academic forum following its inaugural event in 2023. Carrying the theme “The Future of Maritime Society: Science, Prosperity, and Sustainability,” the conference served as a significant platform for academics, researchers, policymakers, and practitioners from various countries to discuss strategic issues concerning the development of resilient, inclusive, and sustainable maritime societies.

WCGSS 2025 took place across two main venues. The first day was centred at the Arsjad Rasjid Theatre Hall, where the opening ceremony and plenary sessions were held. The second day continued at the FISIP UNHAS Building, which hosted multiple parallel sessions and thematic discussions. The conference was organized by FISIP UNHAS in collaboration with two co-host partner institutions: the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities, Universiti Malaysia Sabah, and the Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Mulawarman University, strengthening cross-national networks in social sciences and maritime studies.

The conference was officially opened by Prof. Dr. Ir. Sumbangan Baja, M.Phil., Ph.D, Secretary of UNHAS, who emphasized the importance of social research in addressing global challenges such as climate change, poverty, technological disruption, and governance crises. “Forums like WCGSS are essential in formulating science-based solutions for adaptive and resilient maritime communities,” he stated. Prof. Dr. Phil. Sukri Tamma, M.Si, Dean of FISIP UNHAS, highlighted that the maritime theme aligns with UNHAS’ identity as an archipelagic university and is crucial for developing new perspectives on coastal community dynamics. Muhammad Chaeroel Ansar, S.IP., M.Sc., Chair of WCGSS 2025, expressed his appreciation to all participants and researchers. This year, the conference received 112 papers from a total of 332 authors representing national and international institutions, further reinforcing WCGSS’ position as a global academic forum. The opening ceremony was also attended by Prof. Dr. Suparman, M.Si, Vice Dean of FISIP UNHAS, who underscored the faculty’s commitment to advancing academic diplomacy and international research collaboration.

The first day’s sessions at Arsjad Rasjid Theatre Hall were enriched by the presence of five international keynote speakers: Dr. Phil. Timo Duile (University of Bonn), Prof. Asmadi Idris (Universiti Malaysia Sabah), Prof. Raminder Kaur (University of Manchester), Prof. Dr. E.M. Moyer (University of Amsterdam), and Dr. Karen Paiva Henrique (University of Amsterdam). They presented multidisciplinary perspectives on issues ranging from maritime democracy and cultural identity, coastal public health, marine resource governance, to climate change adaptation strategies. Their contributions offered valuable insights for shaping the future direction of maritime research.

On the second day at the FISIP UNHAS Building, researchers presented their latest studies in various parallel sessions, covering topics such as coastal development, social innovation, digital transformation in maritime regions, local political dynamics, and climate change mitigation and adaptation. Intensive discussions among participants generated relevant recommendations to strengthen policy and research related to maritime communities.

With strong enthusiasm, broad participation, and expanding international collaboration, WCGSS 2025 successfully reinforced its role as a strategic forum for formulating ideas and solutions for the future of global maritime societies. The conference is expected to lay a foundation for advancing deeper research and promoting inclusive and sustainable policy development in addressing maritime challenges in the years to come.





INTERNATIONAL GUEST LECTURE HIGHLIGHTS POLICY PERCEPTION AND GOVERNANCE DYNAMICS IN TERENGGANU, MALAYSIA



The Faculty of Social and Political Sciences (FISIP), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), held an international guest lecture featuring Dr. Phil. Nor Azura A. Rahman from the School of International Studies, Universiti Utara Malaysia on 18 November 2025. The event, which took place at the Prof. Syukur Abdullah Auditorium, carried the theme "Perception and Support of Public Servants in the State of Terengganu toward the Terengganu State Government."

In her presentation, Dr. Nor Azura shared extensive research findings on the perceptions, support levels, and factors influencing civil servants (penjawat awam) in Terengganu regarding the implementation of the state government's policies. The data presented form part of a broader field study conducted with a team of researchers. These research findings were: firstly, high confidence in state leadership; the respondents who were civil servants had a strong trust in the integrity and credibility of the Menteri Besar and EXCO. This can be seen from the highest score of leadership perception among all indicator's measurements. Secondly, positive acceptance of state policies: most respondents had a positive perception of the major state policies that contribute to increasing public welfare, transparency, and communication with citizens of Trengganu State.

However, at the implementation level, the research identified several obstacles in policy execution, including limited resources, time constraints, insufficient training, and external interference. The effectiveness of policy implementation should be supported not only by good design but also readiness of institutions. The research also found that respondents had a lack of understanding of the Terengganu Sejahtera Master Plan (PITAS2030). This underscores calls for an improvement in communication within and between government organizations. Finally, the survey also showed the gaps in perception between organizations such as federal agencies and government-linked companies (GLCS). Therefore, better inter-agency alignment in policy implementation was suggested.

The guest lecture participants consisted of FISIP students and lecturers who were enlightened on the dynamics of leadership and the relationship between civil servants and the government in Malaysia. At the same time, it was also a comparative study of the political systems that prevail in Indonesia and Malaysia in the context of government, bureaucracy and the attachment of their citizens. This activity demonstrates FISIP's commitment to strengthen the international cooperation network which will enrich its academic community's understanding of current governance issues in fellow ASEAN member countries. Guided by Nuvida Raf, audience members asked questions related to aspects of the survey indicators, such as gender issues, that could influence the different respondents' views on the policies of the Malaysian government.





BRIDGING CIVILIZATIONS THROUGH KNOWLEDGE: IRAN-INDONESIA INTELLECTUAL DIPLOMACY BEGINS AT HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY



The spirit of academic diplomacy between Iran and Indonesia took a significant step forward at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), Makassar, with the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between UNHAS and Al Mustafa International University, Iran. Held in the Rectorate Building, the event marked the beginning of a new chapter of Iran-Indonesia intellectual collaboration in Southeast Asia. More than a formal ceremony, the partnership reflected a shared vision of how higher education can serve as a bridge between civilizations in an era of global digital transformation.

Following the MoU signing, the delegation from Al Mustafa International University participated in a Studium Generale at the Faculty of Cultural Sciences (FIB) UNHAS entitled “The Strategic Role of Universities in Strengthening Educational, Research, and Cultural Networks Between Iran and Indonesia Amid the Stream of Digital Transformation.” The session featured Ayatollah Prof. Dr. Ali Abbas, Rector of Al Mustafa International University, who is widely known for his contributions to Islamic studies, inter-civilizational dialogue, and global academic networks. The event gathered lecturers, researchers, students, and cultural practitioners eager to explore new dimensions of intellectual cooperation.

In his keynote speech, Prof. Ali Abbas emphasized that knowledge should not be limited to academic exchanges or publications, but should serve as a humanitarian bridge connecting societies across time and culture. He highlighted that both Iran and Indonesia share a deep-rooted intellectual heritage founded on love for knowledge, philosophy, and humanity. To strengthen these ties, he proposed several forms of collaboration, including joint research in philosophy, philology, intercivilizational relations, and contemporary Islamic studies, faculty and student exchanges, joint academic conferences, and full scholarships for Indonesian students pursuing master's and doctoral studies in Qom, Mashhad, or Tehran.

The Dean of the FIB UNHAS, Prof. Dr. Andi Muhammad Akhmar, noted in his remarks that the connection between the Bugis-Makassar and Persian civilizations has historical roots. Linguistic influences, philosophical expressions, and Sufi traditions reveal a long-standing intersection between these maritime-Islamic cultures. He affirmed that FIB UNHAS is ready to serve as Indonesia's "eastern gateway" for Iranology, Persian Studies, and intercultural academic diplomacy, positioning UNHAS as a regional centre for cultural and intellectual collaboration.

He further observed that the study of Lontaraq manuscripts in Bugis culture shares parallels with Persian manuscript traditions, particularly in metaphorical structures, cosmological symbols, and the concept of the *insan kamil*—the perfected human. This reflection underscored how both civilizations uphold intellectual and spiritual pursuits that transcend geographical boundaries.

Haeruddin, S.S., M.A., Head of the Department of West Asian Literature, expressed pride in hosting the visit of the Al Mustafa Rector, describing it as more than an academic meeting—it was a form of recognition that UNHAS, especially its West Asian Literature Department, has now gained visibility on the global academic stage. The department has offered Persian language classes since 2023 and plans to send students on a Summer Course in Iran in 2026, further solidifying the partnership between the two nations through cultural and educational exchange.





KOREA EDUCATION FAIR EXPANDS STUDY OPPORTUNITIES AND ACADEMIC PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN KOREA AND INDONESIA



The Korea Education Fair is an educational event that offers broad opportunities for students to obtain direct information about study prospects in Korea. The event held on 13 November 2025 in Korean Corner of Hasanuddin University was attended by representatives from three leading universities in Korea—Ewha Womans University, Chung-Ang University, and Sogang University—as well as ACCA (Association of Chartered Certified Accountants), an international professional certification body. Through this education fair, participants gained comprehensive insights into scholarship programs, academic disciplines offered, admission requirements, and academic life and culture in Korea.

The Korea Education Fair provides significant benefits in the form of increased knowledge, motivation, and access to information for participants. The event contributes to strengthening educational relations between Korea and Indonesia, while opening future opportunities for academic collaboration.

Before the exhibition began, the event featured a closed-door meeting between the International Office and representatives from the three Korean universities. The meeting discussed potential academic cooperation, opportunities for student and staff mobility programs, and strategies to strengthen international networking between higher education institutions in Indonesia and Korea. The discussion served as a strategic starting point for exploring broader and more sustainable collaboration efforts.





SIT STUDY ABROAD EXPLORES TORAJA CULTURE AND GENDER ROLES THROUGH LECTURE IN MAKASSAR



Makassar, 25 November 2025 — the School for International Training (SIT) Study Abroad once again held an academic activity in Makassar, through the program International Honor Programs (IHP) Death & Dying: Perspectives, Practices & Policies. Featuring cultural researcher and lecturer in Tourism at the Faculty of Cultural Sciences (FIB), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), Dr. Dirk Sandarupa, M.Hum., MCE, as the keynote speaker, the event took place at Hotel Ibis Makassar and was attended by international students from various countries.

During a lecture entitled “Caste and Gender Roles in Toraja Society,” Dr. Dirk provided an in-depth explanation of the social structure of the Toraja community, caste perspectives within death rituals, and the transformation of gender roles in both domestic and ceremonial spheres. This session addressed an essential component for understanding the relationship between culture, death, and social dynamics within Indigenous communities in Indonesia.

The activity was led by I Made Yudiana, the Country Coordinator for the IHP Death & Dying Program, who expressed appreciation for Dr. Dirk’s academic contribution in broadening the students’ perspectives. He emphasized that local insights delivered by Indonesian cultural experts are crucial for building a more comprehensive understanding among international participants. The implementation of this program in Makassar was supported by Fadil Muhammad, S.Kel., M.Sc, a lecturer at Makassar State University (UNM), who served as the Program Coordinator for SIT in Makassar, ensuring the agenda ran smoothly and met international academic standards.

The lecture was moderated by Professor Dilpreet Singh, one of the core faculty members in the IHP program, known for his expertise in death studies, global health, and comparative cultures. With an engaging and interactive moderating approach, Prof. Singh facilitated productive dialogue between the speaker and the students.

SIT Study Abroad recognized this lecture as one of the most valuable sessions within the cultural exploration activities in Indonesia. Through Dr. Dirk's presentation, international participants gained deeper insights into the Toraja worldview of life and death, social symbolism, and gender dynamics within customary laws. "This session opened up a new perspective for us on how the Toraja community views life, death, family, and gender within their traditional context," stated one of the participants.

The event further strengthened academic collaboration between SIT and universities in South Sulawesi, such as UNM and UNHAS, while promoting Indonesian cultural diversity to the international community through scientific approaches and cross-cultural dialogue.



UNHAS PREPARES TO LAUNCH ARABIC LANGUAGE AND MIDDLE EASTERN STUDIES CENTER



The Directorate of Partnership held a Focus Group Discussion (FGD) regarding the official opening of the Center for Arabic Language and Middle Eastern Studies at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) on Thursday, 27 November 2025, from 5:00 PM until the end of the session. The event took place at the Vice Rector IV Meeting Room, 6th Floor, Rectorate Building.

In his opening remarks, Prof. Dr. Ing. Adi Maulana, S.T., M.Phil, widely known as Prof. Adi, emphasized that the development of the Center has reached 80% completion. He also stated that the personnel structure involved in managing the Center has been identified, and for the time being, the Center remains under his direct supervision. Prof. Adi added that in the future, the Center will offer Arabic language courses not only for the UNHAS academic community but also for the general public in Makassar.

Participants of the FGD included Ansariadi, Ph.D. (Director of Partnership), Haeruddin, M.A. (Head of Arabic Language Study Program), Muhammad Ridwan, M.A. (Secretary of the International Office), and Fadlan Ahmad, M.Si (Head of Center). Also in attendance were Prof. Dr. Ir. Ahmad Munir, M.Eng., Ir. Masyhur Syafiuddin, representatives of the UNHAS Ikhtiar Mosque Management, and the Imam of UNHAS Mosque.

During the discussion, Mr. Ansariadi shared that Prof. Nahla, Advisor to the President of Al Azhar University, Egypt, is scheduled to visit UNHAS in early February next year to officially launch the Center. As known, the establishment of the Center is part of the collaboration between UNHAS and Al Azhar University. He further explained that the Center will serve as a Training Hub for Arabic Language Teaching, aiming to achieve international accreditation while expanding research funding opportunities with universities across the Middle East.

Mr. Ansariadi also highlighted that the Indonesian Embassy in Riyadh has released a list of Saudi Arabian universities interested in establishing cooperation and collaboration with Indonesian universities. The FGD concluded shortly before Maghrib prayer with great expectations that the Center will operate smoothly and achieve long-term success.





LEARNING AMID THE KARST: EXPERIENCES OF CHINESE STUDENTS WITH *RUMAH BELAJAR ANAK SUNGAI*



Rammang-Rammang, a renowned karst region in Maros Regency, served as the field trip destination for a group of Chinese students currently studying in the Department of Indonesian Literature on Saturday, 29 November 2025. The activity was originally designed to explore the karst landscape and the social dynamics of the local community, but it developed into a much more meaningful learning experience. Accompanying the students were lecturers such as Dr. Muslimat, M.Hum. (Head of Indonesian Literature Study Program) and Dr. Indarwati, S.S., M.Hum (Secretary of Indonesian Literature Study Program) and were assisted by the student volunteers including Ipah Bahya, S.S., M.A. and Anita Damayanti, S.S., M.A.

Upon arriving in Salenrang Village, the group visited *Rumah Belajar Anak Sungai*, a community education center pioneered by Muhammar Ikhwan, also known as Iwan Bento. The center has long functioned as a learning and empowerment space for children and local residents through non-formal education programs integrating social, cultural, and environmental aspects. The students joining the event were Yang Yujie, Ge Huijie, Fang Min, Chen GUO, Li Yuxin, Chen Hong, Wu Suyan, Xu Xinlei, Sun Jingyuan, Jing Chunlu, Cui Xinyue, Ding Ruixin, Shen Yiang.

The students observed a variety of activities, including dance classes, Qur'an recitation, environmental discussions, and life skills development through English lessons and craft training. One program that particularly captured their interest was women's empowerment through the creation of recycled crafts from plastic packaging waste, which are functional and support household income.

The students participated directly in the process of making bags, table mats, and tissue holders from used plastic wrappers. Warm interactions occurred despite language barriers, and they expressed great appreciation for the community's creativity in transforming waste into valuable products, showcasing perseverance and strong commitment to community empowerment.

Through this visit, the students gained new insights into how community-based education and consistent small actions can drive social change. The field experience became a valuable lesson on cultural collaboration, creativity, and sustainability—surpassing the boundaries of a traditional classroom setting.





UNHAS FACULTY OF VOCATIONAL STUDIES EXPANDS INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION WITH TECRS, SAUDI ARABIA



The Faculty of Vocational Studies at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) has developed an international collaboration with *The Environmental Center of Remote Sensing* (TECRS), Saudi Arabia, focusing on the fields of environment and remote sensing. The discussion and agreement took place on Wednesday, 5 November 2025.

The meeting was attended by Dr. Sultan H. AlSultan, Founder and CEO of The Environmental Center of Remote Sensing (TECRS), Saudi Arabia; Prof. Dr. Ida Leida M., SKM, MKM, MScPH — Vice Dean for Academic and Student Affairs, who also oversees collaboration affairs at the Faculty of Vocational Studies; Ir. Agustina Abdullah, S.Pt, M.Si, Head of the Quality Assurance Group (GPM); Dr. Nurfadillah JS, S.Pd, Head of the Remote Sensing and Geographic Information Systems (RS-GIS) Study Program; as well as several RS-GIS lecturers.

During the discussion, Prof. Ida emphasized that this collaboration is crucial for strengthening the academic capacity through initiatives such as guest lectures, industry internships, and collaborative research on topics including remote sensing, the application of artificial intelligence for land monitoring, and sustainable land management. The partnership aims at enhancing environmental ecosystems and supports data-driven environmental monitoring conducted both from Saudi Arabia and Indonesia—covering areas such as land-use change detection, disaster mitigation, and natural resource analysis.

In a separate statement, Dean of the Faculty of Vocational Studies, Prof. Dr. Ir. Muh. Restu, MP, affirmed that this partnership demonstrates the Faculty's tangible contribution to environmental development, remote sensing innovation, and human resource advancement. He added that the collaboration will equip professional instructors with valuable international experience and exposure.





INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION: FACULTY OF DENTISTRY, HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY AND NIIGATA UNIVERSITY ENHANCE PARTNERSHIP THROUGH ACADEMIC AND JOINT CONFERENCE

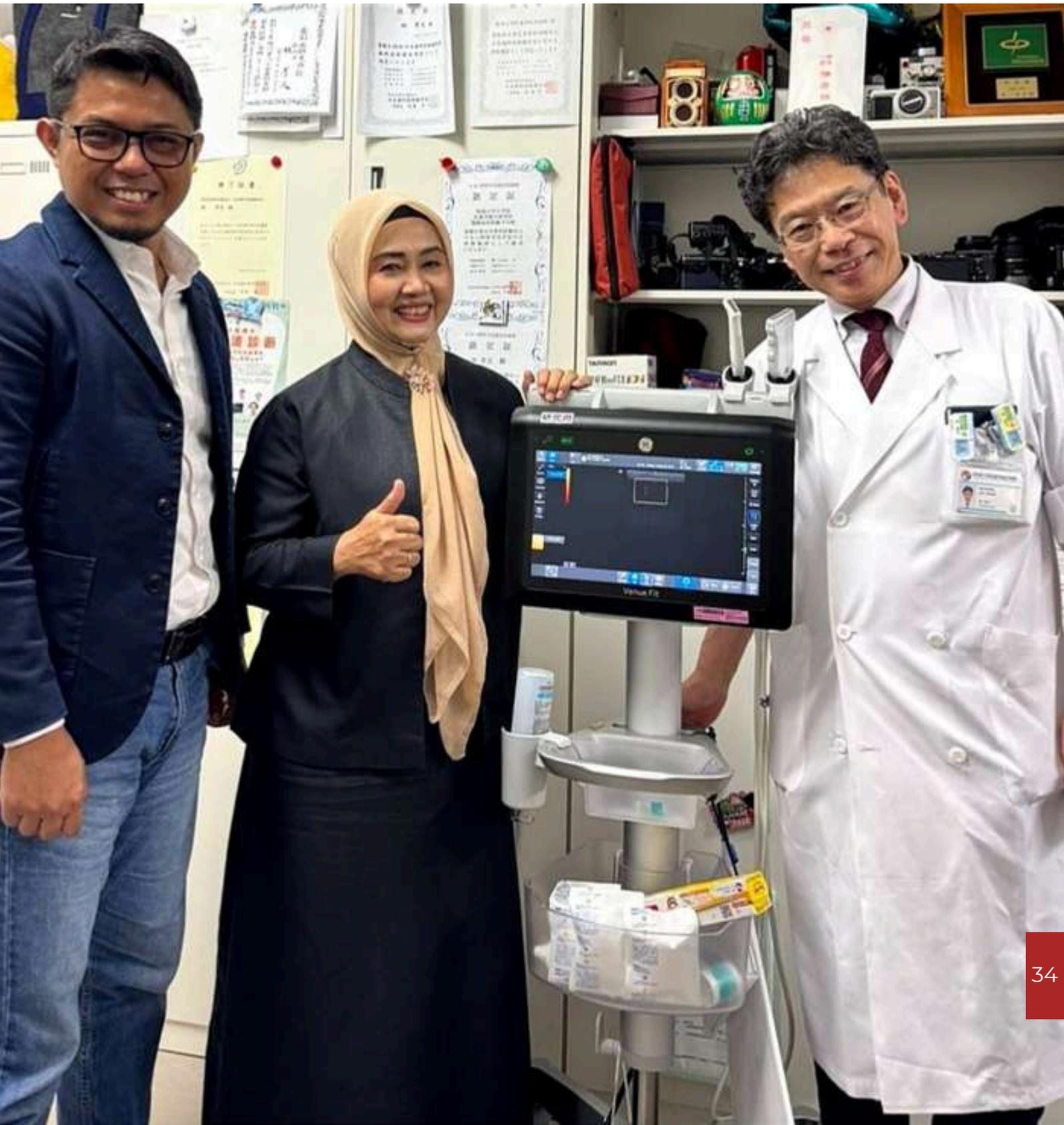


The Dean of Faculty of Dentistry (FKG) Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), Irfan Sugianto, drg., M.Med.Ed., Ph.D., Sp.RKG together with the Head of the Specialist Program in Dental Radiology, Prof. Dr. Barunawaty Yunus, drg., M.Kes., Sp.RKG., Subsp.Rad-D (K) conducted an official visit to Niigata University, Japan on 10-12 November 2025. During the visit, the delegation was warmly welcomed by the Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry Niigata University, Prof. Makoto Inoue, DDS., Ph.D.

This meeting marked an important step in strengthening the international collaboration between the two universities in academic and research activities in the field of dental radiology. On this occasion, one of the main discussion points was the plan to organize the 3rd Joint Symposium UNHAS and Niigata University which will be in conjunction with the National Dental Radiology Seminar that will be held in Makassar in June 2026.

Moreover, the delegation had an opportunity to meet with Prof. Takafumi Hayashi, Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology expert from Niigata University. The discussion included the sit-in program plan for dental radiology specialist students from Faculty of Dentistry UNHAS in August 2026. This program is expected to provide valuable learning experience to enhance the students knowledge on advanced imaging technology in oral and maxillofacial radiology.

Through this collaborative program, the two universities are confident about strengthening partnership to develop the quality of academic and research in dental radiology at the international level.





UNHAS DENTISTRY STUDENTS SHINE AS FINALISTS AT SEAADE-AIDITE SCEC 2025 TAIWAN



The SEAADE-AIDITE Student Community Engagement Competition (SCEC) 2025 held from 7-9 November 2025 at the Taipei World Trade Centre, Taiwan. Muhammad Imran Taufiq and Anna Maria Ancilla Ningrum Elu, Faculty of Dentistry (FKG) Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) representatives proudly marked an outstanding achievement after successfully advancing to the final round in their first participation in this prestigious international event.

According to Imran and Anna, this Competition is part of the 36th South East Asia Association for Dental Education (SEAADE) Annual Scientific Meeting as one of the distinguished platforms for students, researchers, and dental educators across Asia-Pacific region.

After a highly competitive selection process, the top 10 projects were chosen from 26 submissions representing Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Vietnam, Thailand, and Taiwan. The delegation from Faculty of Dentistry UNHAS was honored with the opportunity to present their project, titled: "One Dentist, One Family (ODOF): A local Wisdom-Based Dental Health Education Model for Children and the Elderly in South Sulawesi". Their project successfully secured a finalist position for their debut in this prestigious competition.

Imran and Anna shared that participating in the event was an extraordinary experience, not only as a competition but also a platform for learning and seeking future collaboration aimed at strengthening a community's oral health.





FKM UNHAS STRENGTHENS GLOBAL COLLABORATION AT APACPH 2025 IN THAILAND



The Faculty of Public Health (FKM), Hasanuddin University UNHAS) actively participated in the 56th Asia-Pacific Academic Consortium for Public Health (APACPH) Conference 2025, held at Mae Fah Luang University, Chiang Rai, Thailand, from 4-7 November 2025. More than 100 participants from FKM UNHAS— including 23 lecturers, doctoral students, and young researchers— represented FKM UNHAS in the international forum, which brought together academics, researchers, and public health practitioners from across the Asia-Pacific region. Carrying the theme “Public Health Transformation: Resilience, Innovation, and Equity,” the conference served as a key platform for scientific exchange and collaborative development in addressing global health challenges.

Throughout the event, FKM UNHAS lecturers and doctoral students showcased a series of oral and poster presentations featuring their latest research across various strategic areas, including environmental health, disaster management, occupational safety and health, epidemiology, community resilience, coastal public health, hospital management and health system policy. Many studies presented were the result of national and international collaborative research, highlighting issues such as climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction—topics currently receiving global attention.

The participation of FKM UNHAS not only demonstrated academic contribution but also expanded opportunities for future collaboration with leading universities within the APACPH network, such as Mahidol University (Thailand), Yonsei University (South Korea), and the University of the Philippines. These discussions included prospects for joint publications, research partnerships, and student and staff exchange initiatives that will further strengthen global academic connectivity and enhance institutional research capacity.

The Dean of FKM UNHAS, Prof. Sukri Palutturi, SKM., M.Sc.PH., Ph.D., emphasized that attendance at APACPH is a strategic step in strengthening international academic reputation and expanding global scientific cooperation. He noted that participation in the conference aligns with UNHAS' commitment to achieving Indikator Kinerja Utama (IKU) or Key Performance Indicators and supports the university's vision of becoming a world-class institution. Prof. Sukri also highlighted that this engagement contributes to the implementation of several Sustainable Development Goals, including SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being), SDG 4 (Quality Education), and SDG 17 (Partnerships for the Goals).

Supported administratively and financially by the university and faculty, the delegation's involvement affirms FKM UNHAS' role as a leading public health institution in Indonesia, actively contributing to global academic discourse and public health innovation. Their presence in Chiang Rai reflects a commitment not merely to attend but to play an active role in shaping the future of public health in a rapidly changing world.

Through research dissemination, network expansion, and academic diplomacy, FKM UNHAS continues to strengthen its presence on the international stage, affirming its dedication to global collaboration and advancing science that benefits local and global communities.





FKM UNHAS AND UPM ENHANCE INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH SYNERGY IN NUTRITION AND FOOD TECHNOLOGY



A total of 29 Master's students in Nutrition and 3 Nutrition lecturers from the Faculty of Public Health (FKM) Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) participated in a research dissemination program at the Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM) campus on 12 November 2025. This activity served as a platform for collaboration and knowledge exchange among academics, researchers, and practitioners in Nutrition and Dietetics related to food technology in the era of modernisation.

During the event, representatives from the Nutrition students and lecturers of FKM UNHAS and UPM presented both completed research findings and ongoing research projects. The research presentations were related to the development of food products that can have a positive effect on human health. It is hoped that this will provide new insights for Master's students in Nutrition at FKM Unhas. After the oral presentations, there was a Faculty Lab Tour of the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences, specifically the Department of Nutrition at the UPM campus.

The Head of the Master's Programme in Nutrition at FKM UNHAS, Rahayu Indriasari, SKM, MPH, Ph.D., said that this activity was carried out to provide new insights to Master's students in Nutrition at FKM UNHAS, which is a strategy of the study programme to build and strengthen competitiveness, as well as expand networks between academics, researchers, and practitioners in international development. This initiative is also aligned with UNHAS's vision to become a world-class university. Ms. Rahayu Indriasari stated that this event was carried out to provide new perspectives to Master's students in Nutrition Science at FKM UNHAS, as part of the programme's strategy to build and strengthen competitiveness, as well as expand networks among academics, researchers, and practitioners in international development. This is also in line with UNHAS's spirit of becoming a world-class university that actively contributes to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), which is also related to the focus of this activity on SDG 2 - Zero Hunger, covering food security, nutrition improvement, sustainable agriculture, and access to safe, nutritious, and sufficient food.

Representatives of the 2024 Nutrition Science Master's students were very enthusiastic in this event as it was considered capable of providing new insights and enthusiasm in deepening their knowledge of nutrition, particularly related to the use of local foods. They hope that Indonesian local foods can become more global, as exemplified by the interesting case of moringa leaves, which are not yet commonly used as a vegetable in Malaysia. Through this activity, the students saw a positive start to expanding their horizons and interacting directly with international students.

This activity has certainly received appreciation from the Nutrition Science Study Programme and the FKM UNHAS, and they are committed to repeating it every year as part of the institution's commitment to expanding the capacity of the academic community to perform on the international stage.

Through the dissemination of research results and the formation of international collaborations, lecturers from the Nutrition Department of FKM UNHAS and the Nutrition Department of the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences at UPM have strengthened their global commitment to developing a nutrition system that utilises local food in a resilient, inclusive and sustainable manner. This participation underscores that the Nutrition Science Programme at FKM UNHAS, is also one of the most important fields of study in contributing to the field of food products and their processing for health.



DRIVING SOLUTIONS THROUGH HEALTH LITERACY: FKM UNHAS PRESENTS AT AHLA 2025



In the inevitable world of academic activities, a nation's intellectual capacity is tested through its contribution to international scientific discourse. Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), through the Faculty of Public Health (FKM), has once again affirmed its strategic position in the regional and global knowledge map, particularly in Literacy, one of the crucial issues in Health. FKM UNHAS is actively participating in the 11th Asian Health Literacy Association (AHLA) Conference, held in Taichung, Taiwan. This conference serves as a barometer for the development of health literacy concepts and applications, brings together academics, researchers, and practitioners from a wide geographical spectrum, covering countries in Asia and Europe.

UNHAS's participation in the 11th AHLA Conference is not merely a symbolic presence, but a tangible demonstration of the depth of research relevant to contemporary health challenges at the local, national, and global levels. The UNHAS delegation, consisting of three lecturers and ten students from the Master of Public Health Study Program and the Doctor of Public Health Study Program. Three articles were accepted for presentation in the Plenary Session highlighting the recognition of the significance of FKM UNHAS's research findings. Prof. Dr. dr. Suriah, SKM, M.Kes, presented her research entitled 'Health Literacy to Stimulate the Intention of Prospective Brides in Stunting Prevention'. This work is crucial for Indonesia, which is striving to achieve its national stunting prevalence reduction target. By focusing on the health literacy of prospective mothers, this research offers strategic upstream interventions, in line with Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 3.2 (end all forms of malnutrition).

Meanwhile, Dr. Shanti Riskiyani, SKM, M.Kes, presented the results of her study, 'HIV Literacy and Social Support among High-risk Groups in Makassar'. This presentation highlighted the importance of comprehensive understanding of HIV/AIDS among high-risk groups. This research not only contributes to epidemic control efforts in Makassar and Indonesia but also enriches the global discourse on the interaction between health literacy, social support, and adherence to HIV treatment/prevention.

Another presenter was Nurhaya Nurdin, a PhD student in Public Health, who contributed a systematic literature review (Scoping Review) entitled 'A Scoping Review of Health Literacy Intervention for Informal Dementia Caregivers in Low and Middle Income Countries'. This review has significant implications for the international community, particularly in low and middle-income countries (LMICs). With the global ageing population, the burden of informal dementia care has become an urgent issue. Adequate health literacy for informal caregivers is a key factor in improving the quality of care provided to people with dementia. One additional article was presented through a Poster Presentation, complementing the academic contribution of FKM UNHAS.

The conference took place from 24 to 25 November 2025 at Chung Shan Medical University Hospital in Taichung. FKM UNHAS's active participation in this forum strengthened international networking, opened up opportunities for cross-border research collaboration, and ensured that the curriculum and research direction at UNHAS remained relevant to global health challenges. For UNHAS, this contribution raises its international academic reputation index and strengthens its recognition as a World Class University whose research is oriented towards solutions to complex social issues. For Indonesia, the presented research can form the basis for more effective evidence-based health policies, particularly in mitigating stunting and infectious diseases.

Ultimately, this active involvement reflects the philosophy that improving health literacy is a civic imperative, where individuals' ability to access, understand, evaluate, and apply health information effectively is an essential foundation for a resilient and competitive international community.





MPA UNHAS STRENGTHENS ACADEMIC COLLABORATION THROUGH INTERNATIONAL COLLOQUIUM ON POLICY AND GOVERNANCE AT USM PENANG



The Master of Public Administration (MPA) Study Program, Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), organized the *International Colloquium on Policy and Governance* at the School of Social Science, Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM), Penang on 24 November 2025. The academic forum was warmly welcomed by Dr. Ajrun Khalid, Coordinator of the Master of Public Administration (MPA), School of Social Science USM, accompanied by Prof. Kamaruzzaman bin Askandar, Dr. Muhammad Febriansyah, and MPA students from USM.

The event began with welcoming remarks from Dr. Ajrun Khalid, who expressed his appreciation to the MPA UNHAS delegation for the ongoing academic collaboration between the two institutions. The program then proceeded with the International Colloquium on Policy and Governance featuring research presentations by MAP UNHAS students. In this session, Maryam N. Aziza Latief and M. Akbar Hasyim presented their research titled *"Evaluating PT Vale Indonesia's CSR Initiatives in Strengthening MSME Development in East Luwu Regency."* This was followed by a presentation by Buli and Andi Mujahid M.Q on the topic *"Analyzing Public Value in the Implementation of the Legislative Functions of the Mamasa Regency Parliament."*

Following the student presentations, the academic session continued with a lecture delivered by Nuralamsyah Ismail, S.Sos., MA, a lecturer in Public Administration at FISIP UNHAS, who presented *“Environmental Governance in Maritime Area: An Empirical Analysis on Community-Based Tourism Organization in Indonesia.”* The entire series of activities proceeded interactively through a discussion session involving USM MPA students and the faculty members of the School of Social Science, highlighting contemporary public policy challenges in Indonesia and Malaysia as well as potential future collaborative research.

The MPA UNHAS delegation was led by Prof. Dr. Gita Susanti, M.Si, Head of the Master of Public Administration Program, accompanied by faculty members: Prof. Dr. Badu Ahmad, M.Si, Dr. Amri Hans, M.Si, Drs. Lutfi Atmansyah, MA, Andi Ahmad Yani, M.Si, MPA, M.Sc, Irma Arianti Arif, M.Si, and Nuralamsyah Ismail, MA.

In her remarks, Prof. Dr. Gita Susanti, M.Si emphasized that this activity is part of MPA UNHAS' commitment as a FIBAA internationally accredited study program to strengthen internationalization and advance academic quality. She stated that such collaboration represents a concrete implementation of practice-based learning and global research engagement. She further explained that this agenda is part of the learning process for the Comparative Public Administration course, designed to broaden students' perspectives on public policy practices and governance across countries.

The program concluded with the presentation of future collaboration plans between UNHAS and USM, including the organization of joint international conferences and the initiation of collaborative research projects. This academic forum serves as a strategic step for MPA UNHAS in expanding international networks, building a global reputation, and enhancing academic contributions in the field of public policy and society.





UNHAS DELEGATION ACTIVELY PARTICIPATES IN THE 9TH SUSTAIN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE AT KYOTO UNIVERSITY, JAPAN



Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) proudly participated in The 9th International Conference on Sustainable Future for Human Security (SUSTAIN 2025), held on 18 November 2025 at Inamori Hall, Kyoto University, Japan. Organized in collaboration between Kyoto University and the Indonesian Student Association (PPI) Kyoto, this prestigious annual event brought together global experts, scholars, and practitioners to advance knowledge and solutions regarding human security and sustainability.

A delegation of approximately 30 participants from UNHAS, comprising academic staff, researchers, and student presenters, actively contributed to the conference. This strong attendance reflects UNHAS's growing international presence and its dedication to promoting research excellence on the global stage.

A primary highlight of the conference was the plenary session, which featured Prof. Suharman Hamzah, a distinguished expert from UNHAS, as a key speaker alongside Prof. Benjamin McLellan, Prof. Masaki Takaoka, and Asst. Prof. Julie de Reyes from Kyoto University. Prof. Suharman delivered an insightful talk titled “Incorporating Infrastructure Asset Management with Human Security Engineering for Sustainable and Resilient Infrastructure.” He elaborated on a multidisciplinary approach integrating infrastructure asset management with human security engineering, emphasizing the need for systems that are technically robust and socio-environmentally resilient.

The Faculty of Marine Science and Fisheries (FIKP) at UNHAS also made significant contributions to the parallel sessions. Three FIKP lecturers presented their research: Prof. Shinta Werorilangi presented “From Rivers to Estuaries: Plastic Waste Transport and Dispersion Mechanisms”; Andi Alya Yusriyah, M.Sc., presented “Bibliometric Analysis on the Potential of Marine Bacteria for Sustainable Plastic Biodegradation from 2010 to 2024”; and Zabhika Dinda Istnaeni, M.Sc., presented “Integrating Remote Sensing and Fishery Data to Characterize Grouper Fishing Grounds in Spermonde Island, Indonesia.” Additionally, Dr. Aidah A. Ala Husain from FIKP UNHAS attended as an active participant in the scientific discussions.



The conference opened with remarks from organizing committee chairs Prof. Fumiharu Mieno and Dr. Hatma Suryatmojo. Following the plenary talks, the event continued with parallel panel sessions covering six key groups: Sustainable Agriculture, Climate Change and Disaster Resilience, Social, Economic, and Political Dimensions of Sustainability, Sustainable Built Environment, Energy and Environment, and Sustainable Tropical Forest. The forum concluded with closing remarks from Prof. Yasuyuki Kono.

The active participation of the UNHAS delegation strengthens the university's role in international academic collaboration and demonstrates its continued commitment to contributing solutions for a sustainable and secure global future.





EXPANDING GLOBAL REACH: FIKP UNHAS BUILDS STRATEGIC ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH NETWORKS IN TURKEY AND IRAN



The Faculty of Marine Science and Fisheries (FIKP), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), through its Aquatic Resources Management (MSP) Study Program, demonstrated a strong commitment to internationalization and research excellence throughout November 2025 by conducting a series of strategic academic, diplomatic, and scientific engagements across several countries. These initiatives reflect FIKP UNHAS's continuous efforts to strengthen global collaboration, enhance research impact, and contribute to the sustainable management of aquatic resources.

A major milestone was achieved through high-level academic visits to Turkey, where the MSP delegation consisting of Prof. Dr. Ir. Khusnul Yaqin, M.Sc., Dr. Sri Wahyuni Rahim, S.Kel., M.Si., and Dr. Ir. Hadiratul Qudsiah, M.Si. established strategic partnerships with Trakya University and Istanbul University. Discussions focused on joint research, academic exchanges, and visiting professor programs, with both Turkish institutions expressing strong interest in formalizing cooperation through Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) in the field of aquatic and marine sciences.

The delegation also paid a diplomatic visit to the Consulate General of the Republic of Indonesia (KJRI) in Istanbul, where they presented FIKP UNHAS's academic profile and international collaboration roadmap. The consulate reaffirmed its commitment to providing diplomatic support for future collaborations, including research partnerships, student exchanges, and visiting scholar initiatives, further strengthening the institutional network between Indonesia and Turkey.

At the academic level, the MSP delegation actively contributed to the International Biological & Life Science Congress (BIOLIC) held in Antalya, Turkey, from 15–20 November 2025. This international forum provided a platform for FIKP UNHAS academics to present cutting-edge research in aquatic toxicology, food safety, and reproductive biology, reinforcing UNHAS's role as a contributor to global scientific discourse on environmental sustainability.

Prof. Dr. Ir. Khusnul Yaqin, M.Sc. presented significant findings on the use of simple biomarkers to detect lead toxicity in aquatic organisms under varying pH conditions. His research demonstrated that the Condition Index (CI) can serve as a practical and reliable biomarker for environmental monitoring, offering valuable applications for early detection of heavy metal pollution in aquatic ecosystems.

Complementing this work, Dr. Sri Wahyuni Rahim presented research on heavy metal bioaccumulation in commercial fish species from Lake Tempe, revealing lead concentrations exceeding national food safety standards in several species. Meanwhile, Dr. Ir. Hadiratul Qudsiyah contributed important insights into the reproductive biology of *Glossogobius giuris* in Lake Sidenreng, providing scientific data essential for sustainable fisheries management and conservation planning.

Beyond Turkey, FIKP UNHAS's international engagement extended to Iran, where Prof. Dr. Ir. Khusnul Yaqin, M.Sc. conducted academic advocacy on the importance of ecotoxicology in aquatic sustainability. Through lectures and discussions, he emphasized the role of bioindicators and research-based environmental monitoring in safeguarding marine ecosystems and human health. Collectively, these international activities highlight FIKP UNHAS's growing role as a globally connected institution dedicated to advancing science, policy, and sustainability in marine and fisheries studies.





FEB UNHAS CO-HOSTS ICAME-X WITH MSU MALAYSIA: 400 AUTHORS JOIN A SHARED MISSION



Faculty of Economics and Business (FEB), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) and Management & Science University (MSU) successfully held the 10th International Conference on Accounting, Management, and Economics (ICAME-X) from 20 to 21 November 2025. The two-day event featured plenary sessions and parallel presentations under the theme "Trade Wars, Governance, and Blue-Green Economy: Pathways to Sustainability."

ICAME-X Chairperson Rianda Ridho Hafizh Thaha, MBA, emphasized that this year's co-hosting with MSU aims to strengthen academic collaboration. More than 400 authors participated, presenting papers for potential publication in international indexed journals and proceedings.

The conference opened at MSU with greetings from MSU Vice President of Research, Ybhg. Prof. Dr. Norfilza Mohd Mokhtar, highlighted the importance of research that supports policy and sustainability. Followed by the Rector of UNHAS, Prof. Dr. Ir. Jamaluddin Jompa, M.Sc, and the Dean of FEB UNHAS, Prof. Dr. Mursalim Nohong, SE, M.Si.

Plenary contributions from leading scholars set the tone for the conference, including (among others): Assoc. Prof. Bella Butler (Curtin University Perth, Australia), Prof. Dr. Lau Teck Chai (XJTLU Entrepreneur College Taicang, China), Assoc. Prof. Michael Cheah (Fordham University New York, US), Fitra Roman Cahaya, Ph.D. (University of Essex, UK), Prof. Dato' Dr. Mahmoud Kh. Mahmoud Al Msafir (University of Baghdad, Iraq), Prof. Dr. Zunirah Mohd Talib (MSU, Malaysia), and Prof. Dr. Ahmad Rajafi (IAIN, Manado). The sessions were facilitated by an experienced moderation team—Assoc. Prof. Dr. Hazlina, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Aza Azlina, both from MSU and Rakhmat Nurul Prima, S.E., M.Sc from FEB Unhas—ensuring focused discussion and audience engagement.

The afternoon transitioned to parallel sessions that began the presentation program for more than 100 authors, spanning completed studies, work-in-progress, and conceptual papers.

On day two, the conference expanded its parallel streams, continuing presentations by 380+ authors across accounting, management, and economics. Papers explored policy-relevant analyses of trade tensions and CBAM readiness, governance and transparency in organizations, digitalization for resilient business models, and blue-green pathways for sustainable supply chains and coastal economies.

The conference closed with acknowledgements to speakers, moderators, reviewers, and organizing committees from MSU and Unhas, reaffirming the event's role as a regional platform that links scholarship, policy, and practice.





EXPLORING JIANGXI'S HERITAGE: NANCHANG UNIVERSITY HOSTS AUTUMN OUTING FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS



On 8 November 2025, the School of International Education at Nanchang University organized an Autumn Outing for its international students, held at the Jiangxi Provincial Museum. A total of 45 students joined the program, including 2025 International Chinese Language Teacher Scholarship awardees from Spain, Indonesia, and Egypt, participants of the 2+2 joint degree program with Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), Indonesia, and postgraduate students specializing in International Chinese Language Education. The activity was designed to offer students a direct cultural experience and enhance their understanding of Jiangxi's historical heritage.

One of the highlights of the visit was a museum treasure hunt. Students were divided into teams and given images of artifacts to locate within the exhibition halls. While competing to complete the challenge, each group learned the historical background and cultural significance of the artifacts they discovered. The game encouraged active participation, critical thinking, and teamwork, transforming the museum visit into an exciting learning adventure.

The lively and competitive environment boosted students' motivation to explore and made their museum experience both meaningful and unforgettable. Beyond expanding historical knowledge, the activity promoted strong interactions among students of diverse cultural backgrounds, strengthening friendships and fostering a spirit of cross-cultural exchange.

The Autumn Outing proved to be highly successful, leaving a positive impression on everyone involved. Through an innovative experiential learning approach, participants deepened their appreciation for Chinese culture while enjoying a collaborative and joyful atmosphere. The School of International Education looks forward to organizing more engaging programs in the future to further enrich students' academic and cultural experiences.





ACADEMIC COLLABORATION ENHANCED: UNHAS HISTORY DEPARTMENT AT SEASREP 2025



On 13-14 November 2025, four lecturers from the Department of History, Faculty of Cultural Sciences (FIB), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) took part in the SEASREP 30th Anniversary Conference titled *"Southeast Asian Studies: Ideas, Audiences, Approaches, and Aspirations (SEAS-IA3)"*, held at the Institute of East Asian Studies, Thammasat University, Thailand. Their active involvement reflects a continuous effort to broaden international academic networks and enhance scholarly capacity.

The conference brought leading researchers and academics from across Southeast Asia into one forum, providing a valuable opportunity to exchange insights, present innovative research, and explore future directions in the field of Southeast Asian studies. Throughout the discussions, participants emphasized the importance of interdisciplinary collaboration and international partnership as key drivers in advancing regional knowledge and sustainable academic development. The Department of History representatives included Dr. Muslimin A.R. Effendy, M.Hum., Dr. Ilham, S.S., M.Hum., Dr. Ida Liana Tanjung, M.Hum., and Drs. Dias Pradadimara, M.S. Their presence at this international event is expected to contribute to strengthening the department's global academic visibility, support knowledge transfer, and enhance research and teaching quality at UNHAS.

The Department of History extends its appreciation to the participating lecturers for their dedication and for successfully representing the university on the international stage. It is hoped that the experience and connections gained from this conference will bring positive impact to institutional development and future scholarly endeavors.



VAOSE 3 IN JAPAN: A STRATEGIC STEP OF BDLP UNHAS TOWARD STRENGTHENING GLOBAL MARINE VOCATIONAL EDUCATION



For *Budi Daya Laut dan Pantai* (BDLP) or Marine Aquaculture and Coastal Management Study Program, Faculty of Vocational Studies (Vokasi), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), the internationalisation of vocational education is a key strategy to enhance academic quality and global competitiveness. Demonstrating this commitment, BDLP organised the third cycle of the Vocational Aquaculture Outbound Student Exchange (VAOSE 3) in Japan on 9–19 November 2025, serving as a platform for academic enrichment, global benchmarking, and strengthening collaboration in aquaculture and marine sciences.

The BDLP delegation was represented by four academic staff members: Dr. Dian Novita Sari, Ahmad Sajjad, Muh. Fatratullah Muhsin, and Nunun Ainun Putri Sari Banun Kaliky. Over the 11-day programme, they observed international best practices in aquaculture, built professional networks with overseas universities and industry partners, and explored academic insights needed to enhance BDLP's curriculum and teaching model. The academic highlight was a public lecture at Hiroshima University delivered by Prof. Kazuhiko Koike, PhD, Vice President of Hiroshima University, alongside Indonesian doctoral student Nurhikmah Tenripada, presenting modern developments in aquaculture research and workforce preparation.

In addition to academic activities, cultural immersion visits were conducted to significant sites, including the Atomic Bomb Dome Hiroshima, Miyajima Island, Osaka Aquarium Kaiyukan, and cultural destinations in Okayama and Kyoto. These experiences contributed to developing essential soft skills, intercultural awareness, work ethic, and a global mindset—competencies needed for future professionals in the international aquaculture sector.

BDLP views VAOSE 3 as a substantial academic milestone that strengthened global academic networks, supported pedagogical and research improvement, and reinforced the integration of international knowledge within the vocational curriculum. More importantly, the programme demonstrated that marine vocational graduates must master both technical skills and intercultural competence to remain competitive globally. VAOSE continues to be part of BDLP's long-term strategy for internationally engaged vocational education, with expectations of expanding collaboration opportunities in the future.



UNHAS BOOSTS INTERNATIONALIZATION STRATEGY AT EDUCATION FAIR IN THAILAND



Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) has once again demonstrated a strong commitment to expand their international network by participating in the Education Fair organized by the Consulate of the Republic of Indonesia (KRI) in Songkhla, Thailand. The event took place on 13–14 November 2025 at Thaksin University and was attended by more than 30 universities from across Indonesia. It was officially opened by Mr. Mochammad Rizki Safary, Consul of the Republic of Indonesia in Songkhla, together with Dr. Khwanchit Suwannoppharat, Director of International Affairs at Thaksin University. The presence of numerous Indonesian higher education institutions reflects a strong commitment to educational diplomacy and efforts to strengthen academic collaboration between Indonesia and Thailand.

UNHAS' involvement in international activities such as the KRI Songkhla Education Fair aligns with its vision of becoming a world-class university, emphasizing global collaboration, internationalization of education, and increased student diversity. This participation serves as a strategic opportunity to strengthen international promotion, build academic partnerships, and expand mobility opportunities for students and academic staff. Over the past two years, UNHAS has recorded significant growth in the number of international students, demonstrating the success of its internationalization strategy. The university recorded 46 international students in 2023, 185 students in 2024, and 161 students in the early semester of 2025.

The Director of Education at UNHAS, Prof. Risma Illa Maulany, Ph.D., expressed her appreciation for the organization of the Education Fair. She emphasized that the activity provides an important platform for UNHAS to introduce its academic programs, facilities, and educational opportunities to prospective international students. She noted the high level of enthusiasm from participants, which serves as a valuable asset in strengthening UNHAS' global positioning, and affirmed that participation in such events will continue to be encouraged as part of the university's commitment to achieving world-class university status.

Through their participation in the Education Fair in Thailand, UNHAS hopes to broaden its international outreach and attract more international applicants, particularly from Southeast Asia. The event also provided an important opportunity to strengthen cooperation between Indonesian and Thai higher education institutions and support UNHAS' active role in advancing educational diplomacy.





INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS VISIT MARINE SCIENCE LABORATORIES AT HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY



The Language Service Center (UPT Layanan Bahasa) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) is currently conducting *Bahasa Indonesia untuk Penutur Asing* (BIPA) or Indonesian Language for Foreign Speakers for the 2025–2026 recipients of the *Kemitraan Negara Berkembang* (KNB) or Partnership of Developing Countries Scholarship. The program involves seven international students from various countries, including Bangladesh, Somalia, Liberia, Tanzania, Uganda, Pakistan, and Nigeria.

As part of their faculty introduction activities at UNHAS, the students visited the Marine Microbiology Laboratory and the Marine Ecosystem Breeding and Rehabilitation Laboratory at the Faculty of Marine Science and Fisheries (FIKP) on Wednesday, November 4, 2025.

During the visit, the students received an explanation about the available laboratory facilities and the research outputs produced by the faculty. The presentations were delivered by the Head of the Laboratory, Dr. Ir. Syafiuddin, M.Si., along with laboratory staff Huyyirnah, S.P., M.P., and Sitti Normawati, S.Pi., M.Si. The visit was also attended by the Secretary of the FIKP Quality Assurance Group (GPM), Dr. Yuyu Lanafie, M.Sc., the Head of Administration, Heads of Subdivisions, and several staff members from the UNHAS Language Center.



GEO-SERIES: UNCOVERING THE BEAUTY OF TIMOR-LESTE



One of the International Office (IO)'s monthly programs is the Geo-Series, which provides a platform for international students at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) to introduce their home countries. The presentation includes their geographical location, culture, cuisine, and tourist attractions. This month's session featured Ms. Cherry, who presented the beauty of her country, Timor-Leste, on 21 November 2025 in the Prof. Dr. Basri Hasanuddin, M.A. Lecture Hall.

Timor-Leste is located between Australia and Indonesia, with a population of approximately 1.38 million as of 2023. Culturally, Ms. Cherry introduced the country's traditional musical instrument, the *Babadok* (a ceremonial drum), and its traditional clothing, the Tais woven cloth. She also presented Timor-Leste's signature food, such as *Batar Daan* (a dish made from corn, pumpkin and beans) and highlighted tourist destinations like Cristo Rei of Dili, Atauro Island, and Jaco Island.

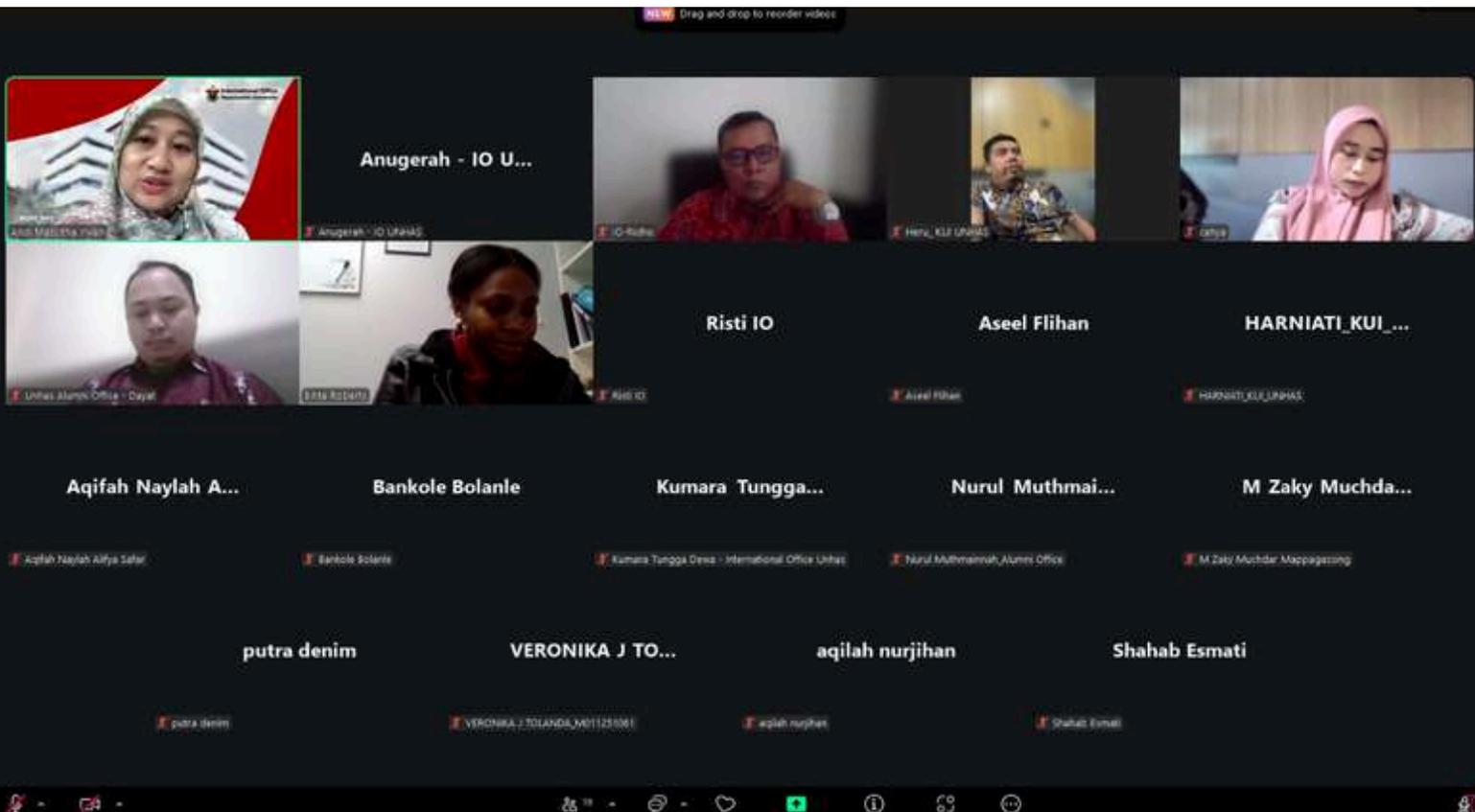
The Geo-Series aims to foster cross-cultural understanding and provide opportunities for local students to improve their English communication skills through interactive presentations. Ms. Cherry, an international student from Timor-Leste currently studying at the Faculty of Public Health, began her presentation by playing her country's national anthem and continued by sharing various cultural aspects, including traditions and unique customs.

To make the session more engaging, she brought and served orange juice to the audience. Ms. Cherry also offered participants the opportunity to taste traditional coffee from Timor-Leste, providing them with an authentic culinary experience. Representing IO, Ms. Harniaty (known as Ms. Arni) presented a token of appreciation and merchandise to Ms. Cherry for her active participation and contribution.

The event concluded with the hope that both international and local students will continue to participate in future Geo-Series sessions to strengthen intercultural understanding and support a globally minded academic environment at UNHAS.



HOME COMING ALUMNI: UNHAS AND ITS U.S.-BASED GRADUATE RECONNECT THROUGH KNOWLEDGE SHARING



The International Office (IO) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) recently held a special session with one of the alumni currently residing in the United States of America (USA). The event, titled “Home Coming Alumni,” took place on Friday, 7 November 2025, at 9:00 AM Makassar time. This edition of the session featured Ms. Binta Rosline Roberts, an alumna of the Master’s Program in Food Science and Technology, Faculty of Agriculture.

During the session, Ms. Binta delivered a presentation entitled “From Campus to Career: Navigating Challenges and Seizing Opportunities after UNHAS.” The session aimed to provide a platform for UNHAS alumni to share their post-graduation experiences, challenges, and opportunities with current international and local students.

The session was officially opened by Dr. Andi Masyitha Irwan, Head of IO, who expressed her gratitude and appreciation to Ms. Binta for dedicating her time to share valuable insights with the UNHAS academic community. In her talk, Ms. Binta recounted her career journey after completing her studies at UNHAS and offered practical and inspiring strategies for students to prepare for their future careers.

Toward the end of her presentation, Ms. Binta encouraged participants to “stay curious and keep learning,” emphasizing the importance of building meaningful connections, embracing change and personal growth, and defining success on one’s own terms. The session concluded with an engaging question-and-answer session moderated by Muhammad Ridwan, M.A., Secretary of IO, followed by the presentation of a Certificate of Appreciation to Ms. Binta as a token of gratitude.



HOME COMING ALUMNI

From Campus to Career: Navigating Challenges and Seizing Opportunities after UNHAS



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ADVANCING INTERNATIONAL MOBILITY: IO UNHAS COORDINATES ERASMUS PROGRAM PREPARATION

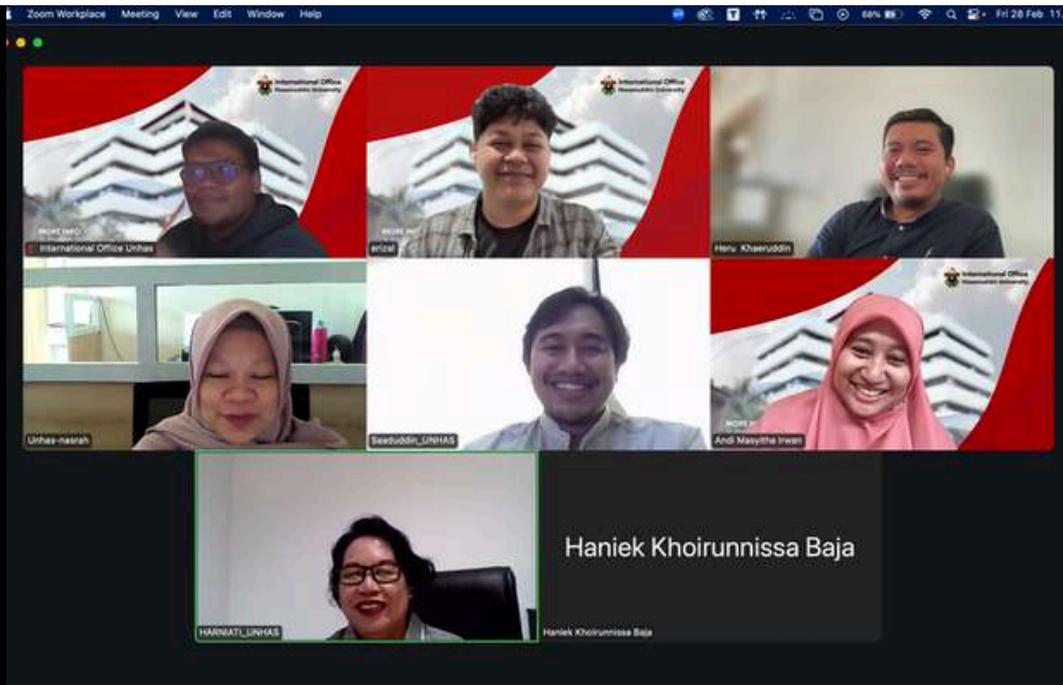


The International Office (IO) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) recently held a coordination meeting to follow up on a letter from Erasmus concerning the mobility program for lecturers, administrative staff, and students. The meeting took place on Wednesday, 26 November 2025 at the PAIR Meeting Room.

The session was opened by the Head of IO, Andi Masyitha Irwan, Ph.D, and attended by all IO team members including Dra. Harniaty, Muhammad Ridwan, M.A., Haniek Khoirunnissa, M.Sc. Saaduddin, Ph.D., Khaeruddin, Ph.D., Nasrah, M.Hum., Kumara Tungga Dewa, S.S., Risti Juliani., Anugerah, S.I.Kom., and Erizal Zafhran Muyasasar, S.I.Kom. In her remarks, she encouraged the participants to thoroughly review and understand the guidelines and requirements of the Erasmus program in order to maximize participation opportunities.

The discussion concluded with several action points, including the completion of required templates and documents to be proposed to Erasmus. The team is now preparing the necessary materials to proceed with the application process.

HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY'S INTERNATIONAL OFFICE HOLDS COORDINATION MEETING ON EQUITY FUND PROPOSAL MECHANISM

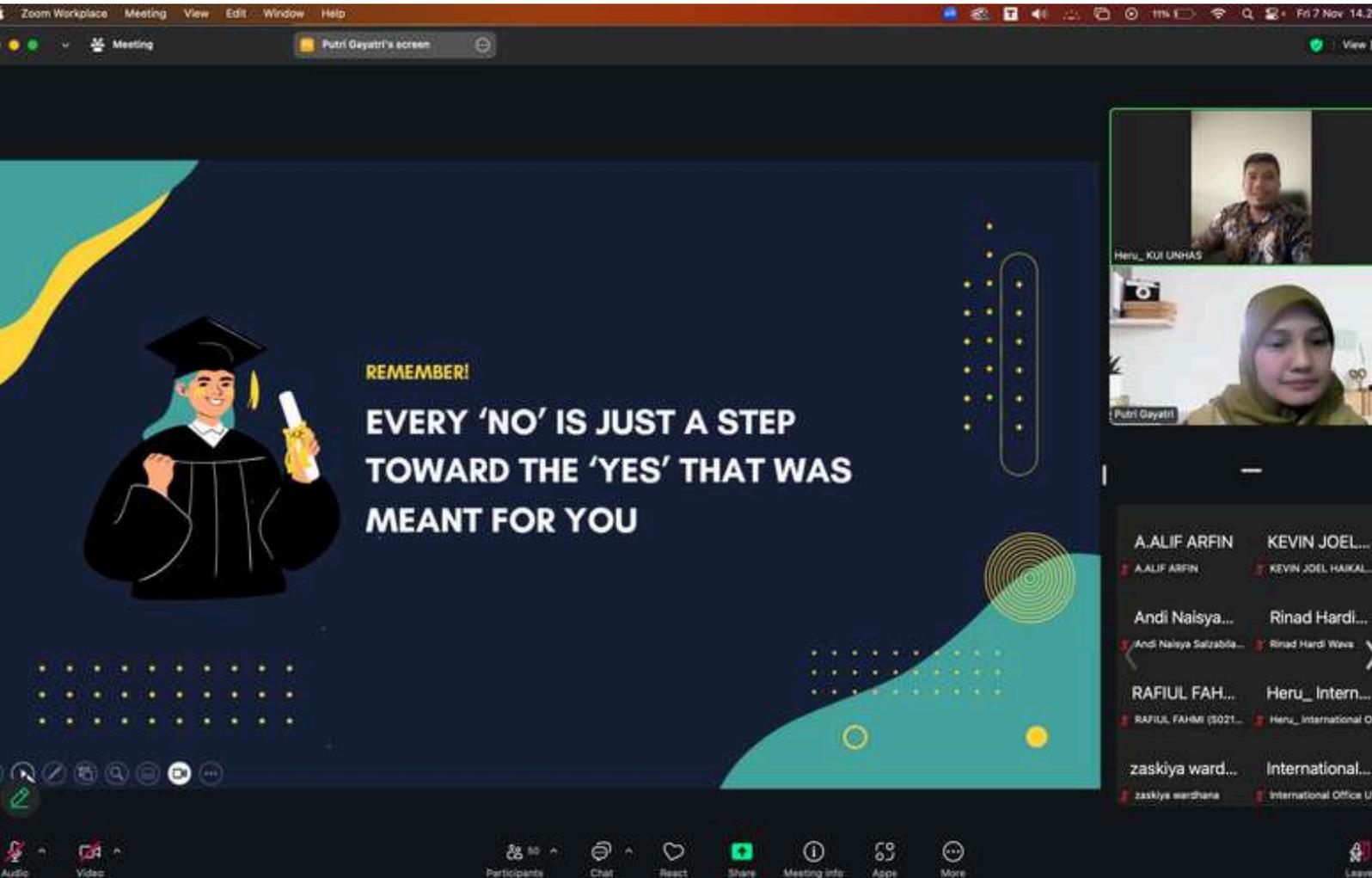


The International Office (IO) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) recently held a coordination meeting to discuss the submission and review process of proposals for four upcoming programs organized by the IO. The meeting took place through Zoom on Wednesday, 5 November 2025 from 1-3pm Makassar time. The main focus of the meeting was to establish a clear mechanism for the proposal review process conducted by reviewers appointed by IO.

There are four major programs scheduled for the implementation during the 2025–2026 period. The first is the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) International Conference/Seminar, followed by the Outbound and Inbound Student Program, which enables students to participate in workshops, training sessions, or academic sit-ins either abroad or at UNHAS. The final program discussed was the SDGs Summer Program, which aims to involve at least 5–6 international students out of the 20 participants required by the initiative.

The meeting also covered the use of a digital application designed to manage proposal submissions and reviews. This system ensures transparency and accessibility for all faculty administrators involved in the process. Through the application, administrators can monitor each stage—from proposal submission and review to approval and funding disbursement for academic staff, lecturers, and students. The meeting concluded with optimism that the application will continue to operate effectively and sustainably in supporting the university's international programs.

FRIDAY OUTBOUND CLINIC: ACE YOUR SCHOLARSHIP INTERVIEW WITH DR. PUTRI GAYATRI



The International Office (IO) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) successfully held another inspiring session of the Friday Outbound Clinic on 7 November 2025, featuring Putri Gayatri, S.Pd., M.Hum., Ph.D. as the guest speaker. The session, titled “*Ace Your Scholarship Interview*,” attracted around 60 participants, including students and staff from UNHAS, as well as alumni and members of the public. The event was moderated by Khaeruddin, M.Hum., Ph.D., a member of IO Taskforce, who opened the session by highlighting the importance of preparation and storytelling in scholarship interviews.

Dr. Putri, an alumna of an international scholarship program, shared valuable insights under the theme “Tell Your Story, Win Your Dream.” She emphasized that scholarship interviews are not merely about academic scores or resumes, but about authenticity, motivation, and clarity of purpose. “Interviewers don’t read your GPA or your CV during the interview — they read *you*,” she explained, encouraging participants to show their *best self* through personal stories, clear goals, and genuine passion.

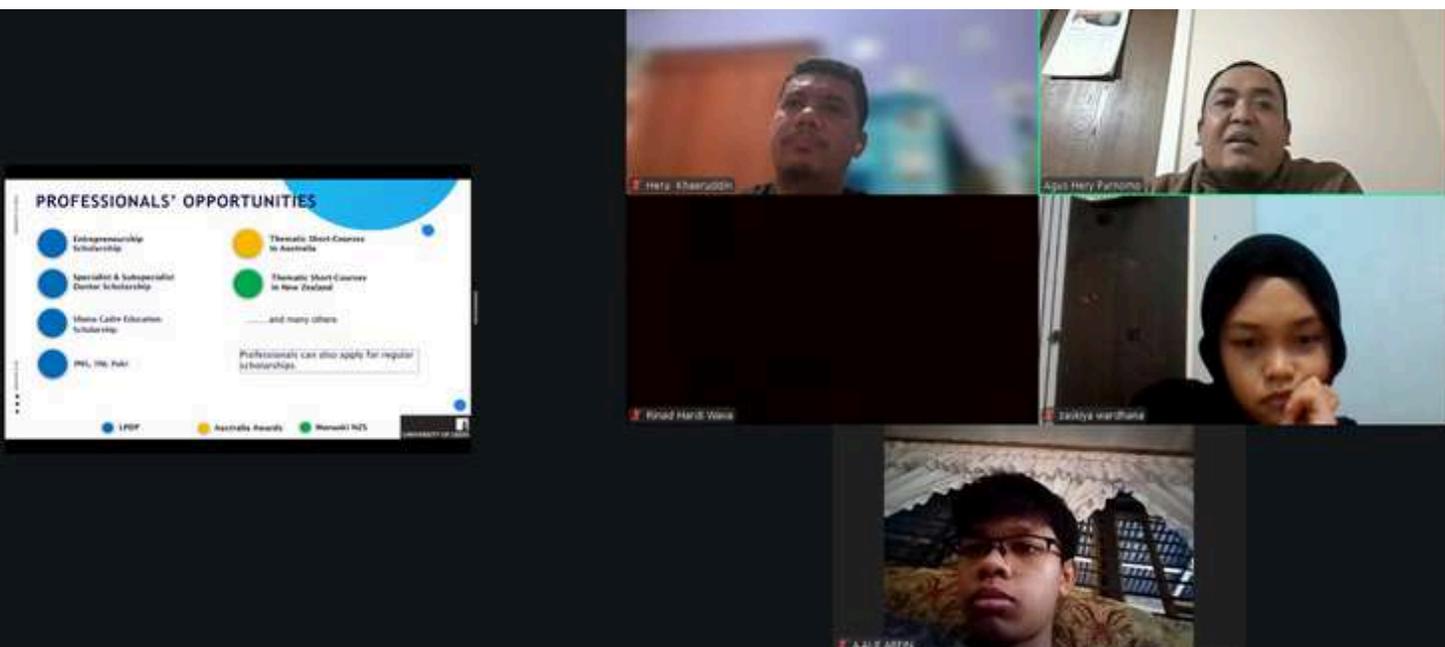
Throughout the session, Dr. Putri guided participants to reflect on what their “best self” means — being prepared, personal, and positive. She also introduced the STAR framework (Situation, Task, Action, Result) to help participants structure their answers effectively. Using relatable examples, she demonstrated how to turn real-life experiences into compelling narratives that align with scholarship values.

The talk also highlighted how different scholarships, such as Chevening, LPDP (Indonesia Endowment Fund for Education) and Erasmus+, value distinct qualities from leadership and community impact to academic collaboration and global perspective. Understanding these priorities helps applicants tailor their stories accordingly. The session concluded with an encouraging reminder from Dr. Putri: “Every ‘no’ is just a step toward the ‘yes’ that was meant for you.”

Participants left the session inspired and better prepared to face their next scholarship interviews with confidence and authenticity.



FRIDAY OUTBOUND CLINIC "BUILDING A SCHOLARSHIP CAREER : LESSON FROM THE PROFESSIONAL"



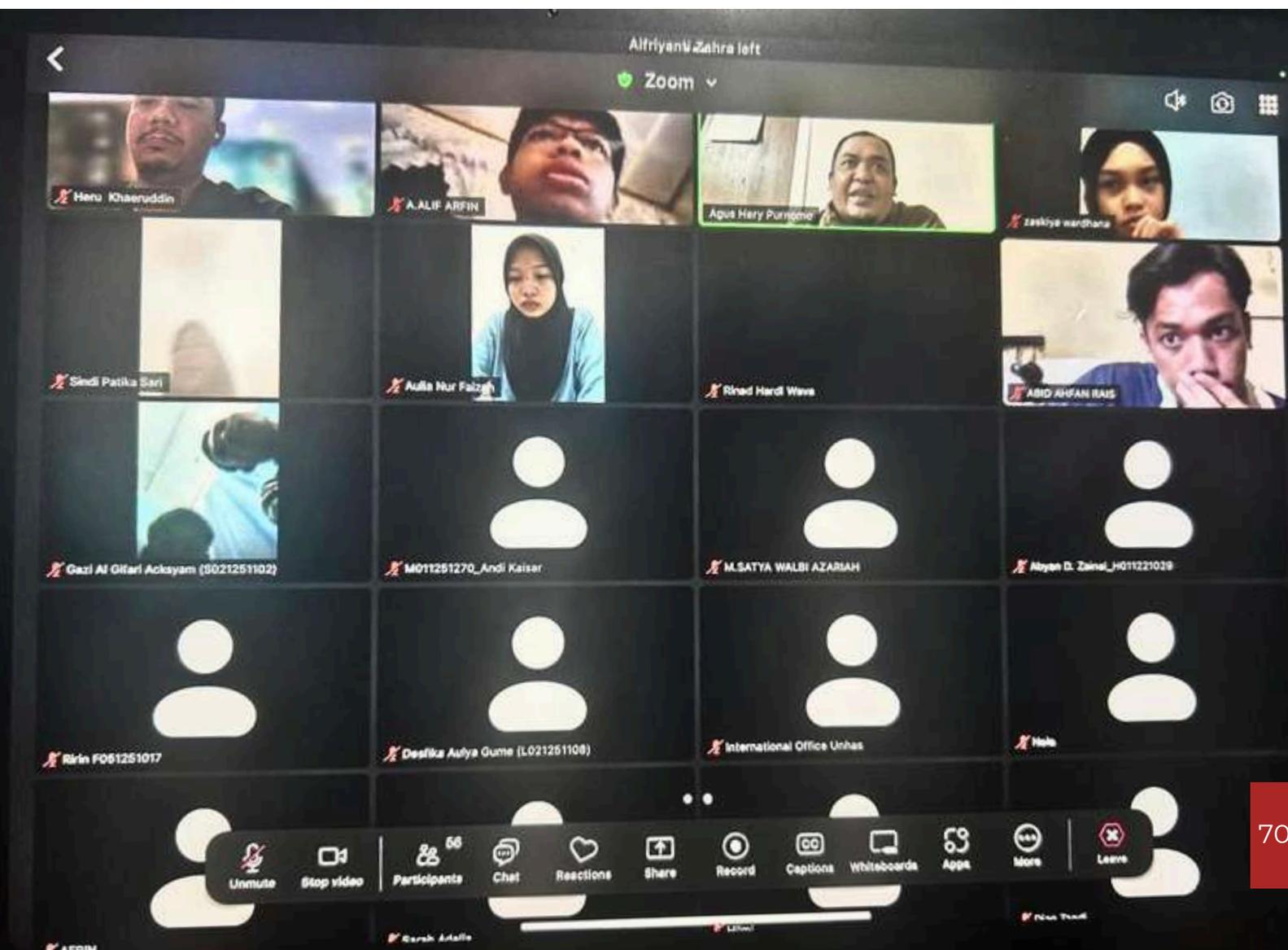
On November 28, 2025, the International Office (IO) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) hosted a successful Friday Outbound Clinic featuring Agus Hery Purnomo, ST., M.DisResDev., a doctoral candidate at the University of Leeds' School of Earth and Environment. Under the theme "Building a Scholarship Career," Agus provided a comprehensive overview of scholarship preparation, analyzing the challenges within the Indonesian education landscape while offering actionable strategies for students aiming to study abroad.

Agus opened the session by addressing the broader context of education in Indonesia. He highlighted several ongoing challenges such as uneven education quality, limited infrastructure, and issues related to teachers' and lecturers' welfare. Despite these obstacles, he emphasized that opportunities for Indonesian students are rapidly expanding. Leading universities worldwide now view Indonesia not only as a promising academic market but also as a strategic partner, resulting in more open doors for scholarship seekers.

Drawing from the latest trends and data, Agus provided an overview of major scholarship schemes available to Indonesians, including Lembaga Pengelola Dana Pendidikan (LPDP) or Indonesia Endowment Fund for Education Agency, Australia Awards, Manaaki New Zealand Scholarships, and various thematic short courses. He noted that competition has intensified each year, with the number of applicants increasing and passing thresholds—such as LPDP's academic score requirements—becoming more demanding. This growing competition, he stressed, requires applicants to prepare more strategically and systematically.

Agus then explained the general phases of scholarship selection, which typically begin with administrative screening before progressing into academic tests, panel interviews, and eventually meeting specific university requirements. While each scholarship may differ slightly, he encouraged participants to familiarize themselves with all stages well in advance to avoid unexpected hurdles. A key focus of Agus's talk centered on what applicants must do before entering the "scholarship fight." He urged participants to study scholarship requirements thoroughly, set clear personal targets, and create or join supportive learning environments that encourage consistent academic improvement. According to him, mock interviews, academic exercises, and regular practice are essential, particularly because many applicants fail not due to lack of capability but rather because of insufficient English proficiency scores. He also addressed the current trend in which LPDP increasingly prioritizes Science Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) fields. For applicants from non-STEM backgrounds, he suggested constructing study plans that connect meaningfully to STEM-related issues in order to remain competitive.

In addition, Agus spoke directly to professionals pursuing scholarship paths. He highlighted the importance of strengthening academic writing, public speaking, time management, critical thinking, and research methodology skills. He encouraged professionals to be proactive in networking by reaching out to potential supervisors, fellow researchers, and university communities. This type of early engagement, he explained, can significantly strengthen scholarship applications and research proposals.



LEARNING BEYOND WORDS: UNHAS STUVO STRENGTHENS LANGUAGE AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE THROUGH INDONESIAN CLASS IN NOVEMBER 2025



The International Office (IO) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), through its Student Volunteers (STUVO), successfully organized the Indonesian Class for International Students, Batch 2025, throughout November 2025 at the International Housing (RAMSIS). This program was designed as a complementary initiative to the Bahasa Indonesia untuk Penutur Asing (BIPA) course facilitated by the UNHAS Language Services Unit, aiming to strengthen international students' practical Indonesian language skills while deepening their understanding of local culture.

The first meeting, held on 7 November 2025, introduced participants to fundamental aspects of Indonesian grammar and sentence construction, including prefixes, suffixes, sensory expressions, SPOK (Subject–Predicate–Object–Complement) structure, and conjunctions. The session emphasized everyday communication and was delivered through interactive and contextual learning activities. Students were also introduced to basic expressions in the Makassar dialect, allowing them to gain early exposure to local linguistic characteristics.

The second session, on 21 November 2025, focused on suffix usage, vocabulary related to university life at UNHAS, Kuliah Kerja Nyata (KKN) or community service programs, and simple Makassar dialect in sentence construction. This session emphasized practical application, allowing students to navigate academic and social interactions confidently, while gaining insights into local culture and campus life.

The final session on 28 November 2025 marked the conclusion of the seven-week program, including a review of all previous materials, a post-test, and a sharing session where students reflected on their learning experiences. Through the Indonesian Class for International Students 2025, STUVO of UNHAS continues to foster a supportive and inclusive environment, promoting stronger cross-cultural communication and deeper mutual understanding, reinforcing the university's commitment to internationalization and cultural exchange.





STUVO BATCH IV: NURTURING THE SPIRIT OF YOUNG GLOBAL VOLUNTEERS AT UNHAS



The International Office (IO) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) once again held the Student Volunteer (STUVO) Training Batch IV on Saturday, 8 November 2025. This annual program is designed to strengthen the capacity, leadership, and global mindset of UNHAS students serving as international volunteers.

The one-day training was officially opened by Khaeruddin, Ph.D., representing the IO task force of UNHAS. In his opening remarks, he emphasized that being an international volunteer is not merely about assisting in activities, but also about cultivating empathy, intercultural communication, and social responsibility. He also encouraged UNHAS students to become ambassadors who represent the university's positive image on the global stage.

The training provided an engaging and inspiring learning atmosphere. Selected participants took part in a series of interactive sessions, including *How to Be an Effective Volunteer* delivered by Nirma Hasyim, S.IP., M.A., *Introduction to South Sulawesi Tourism Objects* by the Provincial Tourism Office of South Sulawesi, *Public Speaking* by Dr. Eddyman W. Ferial, M.Si., and *Hospitality Management* presented by Yovie from the UNHAS Hospitality Center (UHC).

After the lunch break, participants continued with *Fundamentals of Journalism* led by Nurul Hidayah, S.I.Kom., followed by an inspiring *Sharing Session* with Muhammad Aflahal Mukmin, a representative from STUVO Batch III, who shared his valuable experiences as a former volunteer.

In his statement, Dr. Khaeruddin reaffirmed that STUVO serves as a strategic platform to prepare students for global challenges. "We envision UNHAS students not merely as participants in international programs, but as active changemakers and outstanding representatives of Indonesia to the world," he remarked.

One of the highlights of the day was the sharing session with STUVO alumni, which offered participants firsthand insights into how volunteering experiences can bring positive impacts to the university, the community, and even international relations.

The event concluded with a reflection session, where STUVO Batch IV participants shared feedback and suggestions for future international programs under IO. The atmosphere at the closing was warm and full of enthusiasm, marking a renewed spirit among UNHAS young volunteers to continue contributing globally.

Through this program, UNHAS hopes to nurture a new generation of students who are adaptive, globally minded, and possess strong leadership values ready to build meaningful intercultural collaboration across borders.







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