

The Rector of University of Hasanuddin



Assalamu'alaykum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh,

Honorable Governor of South Sulawesi Province,
Honorable Mayor of Makassar City,
Honorable Dean of Faculty of Engineering,
Distinguished Guest Speakers,
Ladies and gentlemen,

On behalf of the university, first of all let me deliver our warmest welcome to all of you and extend our deepest appreciation to your attendance today in this international conference and workshop, regardless of your daily busy and tight schedules. We are really grateful to all participants and to the guest speakers, who have come from other parts of this country and especially from overseas. We hope God bless us with guidance and success to reach our purposes.

It should not be forgotten, my thanks also send to the organizing committee from our academic staffs in the Department of Electrical Engineering, Faculty of Engineering, University of Hasanuddin.

This international event takes a theme on research issue related to the title of the workshop:

“The First International Workshop on Modern Research Methods in Electrical Engineering 2009 (IWORMEE '09 pronounced: aiwerm-ii zero nine)”.

Ladies and gentlemen,

I would like to share our concerns on the current situation in the research world-base. Needless to say that research development plays an important role in supporting the advancement of science and technology. Various research activities have been carried out resulting in

backthroughs in the human civilization. Moreover, in prospective research environment, researchers have been able to develop and adopt various research methods which are in line with the purpose of the research theme.

To grow the eagerness of the research attitude have been invested and adopted world widely. At national level, research methods from the smaller scale, still need to be energized and accelerated through inducing research attitudes of the developed countries. We really understand that the research activities should not only involve academics which concern with education but also all parties, private or non-private, which pursue the development of resources. We would like to emphasize this issue, because we are afraid that if we do not have enough attention, it will start to degrade before its growing. It will be different obviously, by comparing research activities in this region to that of in overseas. The so-called joint research work is growing vividly to construct strong networking among educational institutions with private-non private companies.

Ladies and gentlemen,

In modern world, this kind of research plays an important role in the process *link and match*. Universities as the course centre of theoretical studies, developed ideas and thought while companies as the practical and implementation courses. There is a need to initiate this type of cooperation or if it is already exist then it needs to be forged and reinforced, especially in the current era of education system, particularly in Indonesia which stresses on self-reliance.

Through this event, the University of Hasanuddin, UNHAS, which is situated in the eastern part of Indonesia takes the initiative to facilitate this by organizing the first International Workshop on Modern Research Methods in Electrical Engineering 2009, and in turn, it will forge the acceleration of the knowledge and understanding on current research methods.

This initiative is presented into a one-day seminar followed by a three-day workshop which themed on current research method in the field of electrical engineering. The event will involve several national invited speakers and several keynote speakers from overseas. We have several speakers here from Australia and Malaysia. We have also several speakers from Indonesia, several from top rate universities in Indonesia, several from universities in Makassar and we have also guest speakers from government institutions. We are assured that they are people that have capabilities and have been involved within research world activities. Hence, the richness of

information of the most current methods used in research activities will be optimal through interaction in the seminar and workshop.

We will devote ourselves to development for the future in terms of research effort in the area of electrical engineering. In this situation, we are very happy that experts in this field are attending this workshop and conference.

Our institution is pleased to hold the first International Workshop on Modern Research Methods in Electrical Engineering 2009. We hope that through this workshop, there will be an energetic atmosphere of research and will lead to more foresight studies and joint work activities in the course of developing human civilization through innovations in science and technology.

Thank you very much.

Prof. Dr. dr. Idrus A. Paturusi, Sp. BO