**FORM 2. Letter of Self-Introduction**

*Please type in Korean or in English. The letter must be single spaced within ONE page, with the font* ***Times New Roman****, size 10. (\*10 points)*

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| My name is Herviana and I graduated from Electrical Engineering and currently an English teacher in The International English Center (TIEC). Being a teacher enables me to meet many people from different background with different needs and being able to help them with their needs is the challenge that I have been struggling with so far. Yet the smile and laughter from my students have been the fuel to making me even more passionate in the world of teaching, especially in the field of education technology. Being a teacher gives me a better perspective about how important education for people’s life is. My future plan is to be a university lecturer (teaching professor) and researcher to give more contribution in education. Simplicity in learning new language using mobile application is an issue that I have been interested in so far, particularly when I was as one of the students to be involved in Korean Language Course held by King Sejong Institute in Makassar (October – December 2014). It was a great experience and an important momentum that led me to where I am now. When I was learning Korean Language, I found that Korean language was unique as well as challenging especially when it came to writing. Despite the challenge, I grew even bigger interest in Korean language and culture and I started watching Korean movie and drama, listening to Korean music (K-POP), participating in Korean Festival and into anything related to Korean.In learning Korean, I used mobile dictionary application which was provided freely, it was the only option available even though the application was quite complicated to use and the interface language was Korean – English. I was able to use the application because I knew English but unfortunately for many of my friends who did not have English background. From then on I decided that I wanted to create *a simple user friendly Korean dictionary mobile application with Indonesian interface*. As a teacher I realize that putting language in context and using functions and expressions are the key to success in teaching language, students will find learning the language more easily and more practically and at the same time will create fun encouraging learning experience. This kind of approaches is better known as communicative methodology. I want to apply the same approach in the application that I want to make, it should be providing more contexts of sentences and expressions as well as cultural information, more user-friendly, practical and communicative, and in addition to that it is using Indonesian interface.This application will need research which is related to a large-scale (multilingual) language database in XML. It is one of researches area that develops in Computational Linguistics Laboratory of Seoul National University. It is not just about Korean language, but about advances that will help to educate people for specific purpose to be involved in a global world. During my university life, I was also chosen as lab assistant in Electronics and Devices Laboratory to conduct some researches in the related area. One of the researches was developing mobile application in some field of study. I have involved in a research activity to develop a translator application using mobile phone. This research was a grant by Directorate of Higher Education (DIKTI) in the field of technology from 2008 to 2009. Through the experience, it will lead me easier to conduct my research plan related to mobile application development. Considering the rapid growth of Korean wave in Indonesia and helping Indonesians to learn new language especially Korean language, I believe that my study in this field will be reasonably important. Since the subject of my study related to Korean language, carrying out the research in Korea will be the best option. I can get necessary information as well as the required knowledge and technology. After looking for scholarship, I found KGSP is the suitable and valuable option to support my goal of study. It is providing Korean Language Course until a year. The course will be taken in different university from my chosen university. It means that I can get many references of Korea and explore more Korean environment as well as the culture. It will help a lot to finish my research in time and to pursue master degree that supports me to become engineering teaching professor and researcher in the future. I thank you for your time, kindness in evaluating and considering my application, and will highly appreciate a chance to tell my story further at your convenience time and place. |