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## **CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION**

To Whom It May Concern:

After working continuously for 3 (three) consecutive years with our Department, **Mr. Andreas Vogel** has finally decided to go back home to Germany. I truly believe that he is leaving only in a temporary basis, yet he has asked that I prepare some sort of certificate to appreciate all his efforts during his stay with us in Makassar, INDONESIA, all these years. I do so with great enthusiasm.

I first met with Mr. Vogel in 2003 when he and his wife were taking an intensive *Bahasa Indonesia* course in Bandung. I was at that time the chairman of the Department of Electrical Engineering Hasanuddin University Makassar. Mr. Vogel showed his great interest to work with us in the Department after completing his *Bahasa Indonesia* course. He has the very expertise that we really needed at that time, so we willingly accepted his offer to teach and to do research in our department.

Mr. Vogel has done much more than we expected. He developed new courses namely *VLSI System Design*, *FPGA System Design* and *Embedded System*. These development activities included developing the courses' syllabi, lecture notes, laboratory materials, examination problem-sets and classroom presentations. In doing so he worked closely with our staff, showing his ability to work together in cooperation with others who have different cultures and backgrounds. He also upgraded 2 (two) other courses namely *Integrated Circuits Technology* and *Electronic Systems Design* to become better courses in reflecting a realistic overview on latest technologies and current design methods. For these efforts, Mr. Vogel and his teaching team have been awarded a competitive Teaching Grant by an ADB-funded project for the Department's quality enhancement programs.

In developing and teaching courses, Mr. Vogel always communicated in *Bahasa Indonesia* fluently with his students and colleagues. He also supervised many of our students to do their under-graduate final research and development projects, and guiding them to write the reports and theses in *Bahasa Indonesia*. Mr. Vogel has accomplished all his tasks perfectly with excellent results. I have been so thoroughly impressed by Mr. Vogel's competence and long experience in his field. He has shown a very high motivation to do whatever research and teaching programs he had planned to do, so that he also motivate others – his students and colleagues – to do the same. Our department is very grateful with his presence. We are all indebted to his expertise, high level of initiative, work ethics and over-all general behavior in relating to both colleagues and students, professionally and socially. He has been our living example of a professional academician.

Mr. Vogel has told me that after his return to Germany he is planning to propose another period of stay in our Department. I am really happy to hear that, so we are looking forward to seeing him again in our Department in the near future.

Should you wish any further information, please feel free to contact me, and I will be more than happy to respond to your inquiries.

With kindest regards,

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