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RECTOR OF UNHAS WAS RE-ELECTED AS AUSTRALIAN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION IN MAKASSAR (IKAMA)

Previously, Prof. Jamaluddin Jompa, known as Prof JJ, served from 2016-2021. Prof. JJ was re-elected by acclamation at the IKAMA (Ikatan Alumni Australia Makassar) South Sulawesi General Conference at UNHAS Hotel & Convention on Friday, 17 February 2023. This General Conference was carried out in a hybrid mode. Approximately 50 people attended offline, and 70 people joined through zoom. "Prof Jamaluddin Jompa is re-elected as the Chairman of IKAMA South Sulawesi. However, our members are still asking for his willingness to continue the management for the second term," said the Presidium of General Conference IKAMA South Sulawesi, Ilham Alimuddin.

"Elected by acclamation, although there are still proposals according to organizational mechanisms," he added. Ilham explained that the General Conference should be held in 2021. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the event had to be postponed. As a result, IKAMA South Sulawesi was established in 2023. The number of registered members is around 350 people.

IKAMA South Sulawesi assists relations with the Australian Consulate-General in Makassar, both in general and specifically with the Australian Government. For example, IKAMA is helping with scholarship events, building a network among fellow alumni, and doing community service. "We are also active in several community service activities, and research related to scientific fields from alumni, including the boat school in Pangkep regency was funded by the Australian Government," Ilham concluded.

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HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY WELCOMES DELEGATES FROM NIIGATA UNIVERSITY

Rector of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), Prof. Dr. Ir. Jamaluddin Jompa, M.Sc., welcomed an official visit from Niigata University of Health and Welfare, Japan, led by Prof. Masayoshi Kubo, Ph.D. The Niigata University of Health and Welfare visited on Monday, 20 Feb 2023. The Vice Rector for Academic and Student Affairs, Prof. drg. Muhammad Ruslin, M.Kes., Ph.D., Sp.BM (K), the Dean of the Faculty of Nursing UNHAS, Dr. Ariyanti Saleh, S.Kep., M.Si, the Deputy Dean for Academic and Student Affairs, Syahrul Said, S.Kep., Ns., M.Kes., Ph.D. and the Head of the UNHAS International Affairs Office, Andi Masyitha Irwan, S.Kep., Ns., Ph.D. also attended the welcoming ceremony. Niigata University of Health and Welfare, Japan's entourage included Mayumi Sato, Ph.D. (Senior Lecturer, Pediatric Nursing Department Niigata University of Health and Welfare), and six students.

On this occasion, Prof. JJ welcomed the visit of the Niigata University delegation. They discussed a lot about the development of Tri Dharma (Education, Research, and Community Services), especially the research conducted by UNHAS. Prof. JJ also discussed partnership opportunities that both parties could develop. What is more, Prof. Masayoshi Kubo was delighted with the warm hospitality of UNHAS. He said Niigata University is very supportive of building partnerships with UNHAS. In the meeting, they also discussed their campus's achievements and academic activities.

Niigata University of Health and Welfare is one of the national universities in Japan, established in 1949. The university offers bachelor, master, and doctoral programs with ten faculties and five graduate schools in various disciplines, including humanities, medicine, health sciences, economics, and science. In general, the visit of Niigata University accompanied by the Dean of the Faculty of Nursing to discuss several academic activities that the Niigata delegation will carry out, such as observations in clinical environments such as hospitals and nursing/rehabilitation in the community.

NIIGATA UNIVERSITY TEAM VISITS UNHAS LIBRARY AND JAPAN CORNER

Six students and two lecturers representing the Faculties of Nursing and Physiotherapy from Niigata University of Health and Welfare visited the Hasanuddin University Library on Monday, 20 February 2023. This visit was part of their tour to see the general facilities supporting academic activities including libraries, sports facilities, and laboratories.

Guided by the study program secretary, Mr. Andi Baso, and Mrs. Muthia and the team from the Faculty, they visited the Japanese Corner at UNHAS Central Library. They were also welcomed by the Head of Library, Dr. Fierenziana Getruida Junus, the Director of Japan Corner Meta Sekar Puji, MA., Ph.D. and several librarians. At that time, Meta Sekar Puji, Ph.D. explained the various artifacts and accessories displayed at the Japanese Corner including a collection of books written in Kanji, Hiragana, and Japanese Katakana. The Japanese Corner itself was inaugurated in the mid-2019 by the Deputy Rector for Research and Cooperation, Prof. dr. Muhammad Nasrum Massi, Ph.D. which was witnessed by the Japanese Ambassador to Indonesia and the Governor of South Sulawesi.

When talking with the visiting students, Dr. Fierenziana explained several types of services provided by the UNHAS Central Library to students including the circulation services, special collection, reference collections services and also introduced several reading corners in the UNHAS library such as UNHASiana Corner, Germany Corner, Korean Corner, France Corner, and Chinese Corner.

FACULTY OF NURSING, HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY CONDUCTS A GUEST LECTURE WITH A SPEAKER FROM NIIGATA UNIVERSITY, JAPAN

Through the Physiotherapy Study Program, the Faculty of Nursing, Hasanuddin University (FKEP UNHAS), held a guest lecture featuring an international speaker from Niigata University, Prof. Masayoshi Kubo, Ph.D (Department of Physical Therapy Niigata University of Health and Welfare, Niigata, Japan). The guest lecture with the theme "Motion and Gait Analysis" took place at the IPTEKS Building on Tuesday (21/2) and was attended by 150 participants, consisting of lecturers and students of the Physiotherapy Study Program.

The event was officially opened by Syahrul Said, S.Kep., Ns., M.Kes., Ph.D. the Deputy Dean for Academic and Student Affairs. He expressed his gratitude for the attendance of the speakers and the team at UNHAS to meet with the academic community of the Faculty of Nursing and share his knowledge and experience in his expertise in Physical Therapy.

In his presentation, Prof. Masayoshi Kubo, Ph.D., generally provides an overview and explanation related to "Kinematic Analysis Simplified," which is explained in the material application of 2D motion analysis systems and 3D motion analysis systems used to analyze coordination patterns of human body motion functions, such as muscle bones when performing specific movements while walking. He also explained the utilization of the AI-based OpenCap cloud server (Artificial Intelligence), which uses algorithms to automatically calculate skeletal movements and musculoskeletal forces. In its application, Kinematic analysis functions in analyzing the motion of the human body in detail, as in the movement of bones and muscles as a whole from toe to head when a particular activity is made.

"LECTURE TOPICS : MOTION AND GAIT ANALYSIS
PROF. MASAYOSHI KUBO,Ph.D
Department of Physical Therapy
Niigata University of Health and Welfare, Japan
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SECRETARY OF LPMPP JOINS THE US-ASEAN UNIVERSITY CONNECTION INITIATIVE IN WASHINGTON DC

Dr. Rini Rachmawaty, the Secretary of the Quality Assurance and Educational Development Unit (LPMPP) of Hasanuddin University and Associate Professor in Nursing Management of the Faculty of Nursing, Hasanuddin University, has been selected to participate as a Fellow in the U.S.-ASEAN University Connections Initiative (UCI), a White House Initiative announced in the U.S.-ASEAN Special Summit in May 2022. The U.S.-ASEAN UCI Program is conducted in the JW Marriott Hotel, Washington D.C., USA from February 17-24, 2023.

The initiative is administered through the U.S. Department of State's Increase and Diversify Education Abroad for U.S. Students (IDEAS) Program, which builds U.S. colleges and universities' capacity to engage in global partnerships and study abroad programming aligned with U.S. foreign policy goals. It brought together 50 leaders from diverse colleges and universities in the United States and eight ASEAN member countries—Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, and Vietnam—for a series of virtual and in-person trainings designed to foster sustainable international academic partnerships and the two-way exchange of students, scholars, and researchers between U.S. and Southeast Asian higher education institutions.

"The U.S. Department is committed to fostering partnerships between U.S. and Southeast Asian colleges and universities and increasing academic collaboration to find solutions on topics of global importance, such as combating climate change and promoting economic development," said Ethan Rosenzweig, the State Department's Deputy Assistant Secretary for Academic Programs.

There were two virtual trainings under the initiative that took place in late 2022/early 2023 and explored academic partnership models. These events were open to the public, and registration was open on the IDEAS Program website. The IDEAS Program is a program of the U.S. Department of State with funding provided by the U.S. Government and supported in its implementation by World Learning. The University Connections Initiative is being implemented in partnership with the Association of International Education Administrators.

DEPARTMENT OF PLANT PESTS AND DISEASES, FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE PRESENTS PLANT PROTECTION EXPERT FROM THE UNITED STATES

Regarding the role of insects as vectors of plant diseases, the Department of Pest and Plant Diseases (Hama dan Penyakit Tanaman/HPT) under the command of the Head of the Department, Prof. Dr. Ir. Tutik Kuswinanti, M.Sc held a public lecture on the topic of insect vectors and plant diseases. This public lecture presented a speaker, Dr. Anwar Syed H. Rizvi from the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USA. and the moderator was Dr. Sri Nur Aminah Ngatimin, SP., M.Si, Secretary of the Department of HPT. The material of the public lecture presented by Dr. Rizvi was entitled: The Importance of Insects in The Transmission of Plant Diseases.

The event was held on Tuesday, February 14, 2023, attended by the Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture, Vice Deans, lecturers and students of the Faculty of Agriculture. In the public lecture, Dr. Rizvi explained the various types of insects that become vectors of plant diseases in agricultural land, namely: ticks, leafhoppers and several other types of insect pests. Insect vectors of plant diseases are very destructive because of their ability to damage plants as pests while transmitting diseases originating from diseased plants to healthy plants. The role and activities of insect vectors in agricultural land are very important to study in order to achieve good quality, healthy and safe crops for public consumption.

INTERNATIONAL OFFICE OF UNHAS HOLDS A SHARING SESSION FROM INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (IDP) EDUCATION AUSTRALIA

The International Office of UNHAS held a sharing session from IDP Education Australia of Makassar Branch Office on Friday, February 24, 2023 at Room A 4th Floor Rectorate Building. The session was attended by around fifty students and faculty members. The session moderator was Rafika Ramli, LLM, an Australian graduate now working as Faculty of Law's academic staff. In addition, IDP Education team that attended the session were Zulfahmi Bakhtiar (Office Manager IDP Education Makassar), Andi Fitryana (Counsellor Australia/New Zealand), Darna Harus (Counsellor Australia/New Zealand) and Rahmat Kurniawan, M.Sc (Alumni IDP dari University of Melbourne).

The session began with the welcome remark by the Secretary of International Office of UNHAS that was delivered by Muhammad Ridwan, M.A. In his remarks, Ridwan emphasized that the event or session should be continously held in the future to provide better information about Australian education among UNHAS students and faculty members. The session continued with the presentation from IDP Education Makassar focusing on the history of IDP and its branch offices around Indonesia. The presentation also covers important aspects of applying for any university and college in Australia. After the presentation, one of the Australian alumni named Rahmat Kurniawan also had a chance to share his experience and tips as well as getting assisted by IDP in the registration process. Rahmat graduated from the University of Melbourne. Prior to the end of the session, the question and answer session appeared to be one of the most interesting parts of the presentation. Even though the sessions ended, many students remained in the room approaching the IDP for further question and requests

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IISMA became a massive gate that separates the past and the present me, as if when I stepped into Indonesia's soil, only half of me came back, or maybe even the experience of one semester in a foreign land successfully reconstructed myself into something that's new. Every time I look back in a hindsight, into a time before I depart, it's as if I'm looking into a curved mirror that shows a distorted imagery, an imagery that shows myself but at the same time not my "self". It is a new entity that incarnate me, something that's totally new, something that is forged and formed from the variety of freedom and knowledge I acquire in the foreign land. The IISMA experience becomes a life-changing experience in a literal way, turning me into a character that's far better than the version of me before my departure.

The simplest example of this transformation is the feeling of falling in love again to everything that's connected to Indonesia, the variety of culture in its many forms, the people with all of their virtues and vices, and the most important part, Indonesia as a concept and identity. Jin, a character from a movie called Columbus once said "You grow up around something, and it feels like nothing". Relating to that quote, I've been living in Indonesia for so long that Indonesia has become a concept that only exists in the back of my mind, not something that I take into account for the most part of my life.

Indonesia is just there, and that's it, nothing more. It became a passive setting for my active life. I've only realized how Indonesia is a home where I'm going to go back to no matter how far I go, and no matter how long I've gone. Indonesia manifested itself into a warm home that's enveloped by its many dynamics, both good and bad. As all homes, Indonesia is not a perfect entity, sometimes it's warm and happy, and sometimes it's cold and merciless. This reality and many more only revealed itself to me once I got back from the United States, highlighting every strength and weakness Indonesia has, a highlight that shows me which part of Indonesia still needs fixing and which part is strong enough to support themselves. All in all, IISMA is one of the highlights of my dynamic life, an eye-opening adventure and a good time nevertheless.

MEET OUR STUVO : FARID MUHAJIDIN

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"One of my childhood dreams is traveling around the world. Even though I have never visited abroad at all, that dream feels so true".

Hi, this is Farid. A vet student of 6th semester in Hasanuddin University. This story started when I accidentally saw student volunteer registration by the International Office (IO) UNHAS. After registering and interviewing, I was accepted. I was so happy even until now and I could never even believe my eyes because I am from a very different and odd study field, veterinary. However, after several months of joining IO UNHAS, I started to feel I am discovering myself more, my passion, and knowing what I want for the purpose of my future. Here, I got dozens of supportive friends, and the staff who always guide me with their pleasures.

Even though I do not have much free time, I still make time to come to the office. Every week, we get a shift schedule and job description according to our interests and skills. For me, my favorite job is accompanying international guests and attending international forums. Not only that, I feel like I managed to unlock new skills that I have never had. Like I am more confident to speak English, practice my way of speaking in public, serving good hospitality and even skills to become a journalist.

Along the lines of the opening sentence of this article, I can say that the reason is during my time as a volunteer I felt that I had traveled around the world due to the fact that I had met many other human beings from parts of the world that I had never visited before. I never thought I could have friends from other countries, different mother languages, complexion, religion, et cetera. I even had the chance to get connections with outside researchers. One day I was assigned to pick up Brazil's agriculture minister and even interviewed the Canadian ambassador.

Writing this, I honestly still have no idea what to write because I feel that the experience and lessons I got as a student volunteer are too much to just upload in a small piece of writing. As a matter of fact, I can say that I just got comfortable and happy with my campus life after joining IO UNHAS. Hopefully I can always carry out my duties as a volunteer here and not be neglected in my academic life.

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