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THE RECTOR MESSAGE

Dear Esteemed Colleagues,

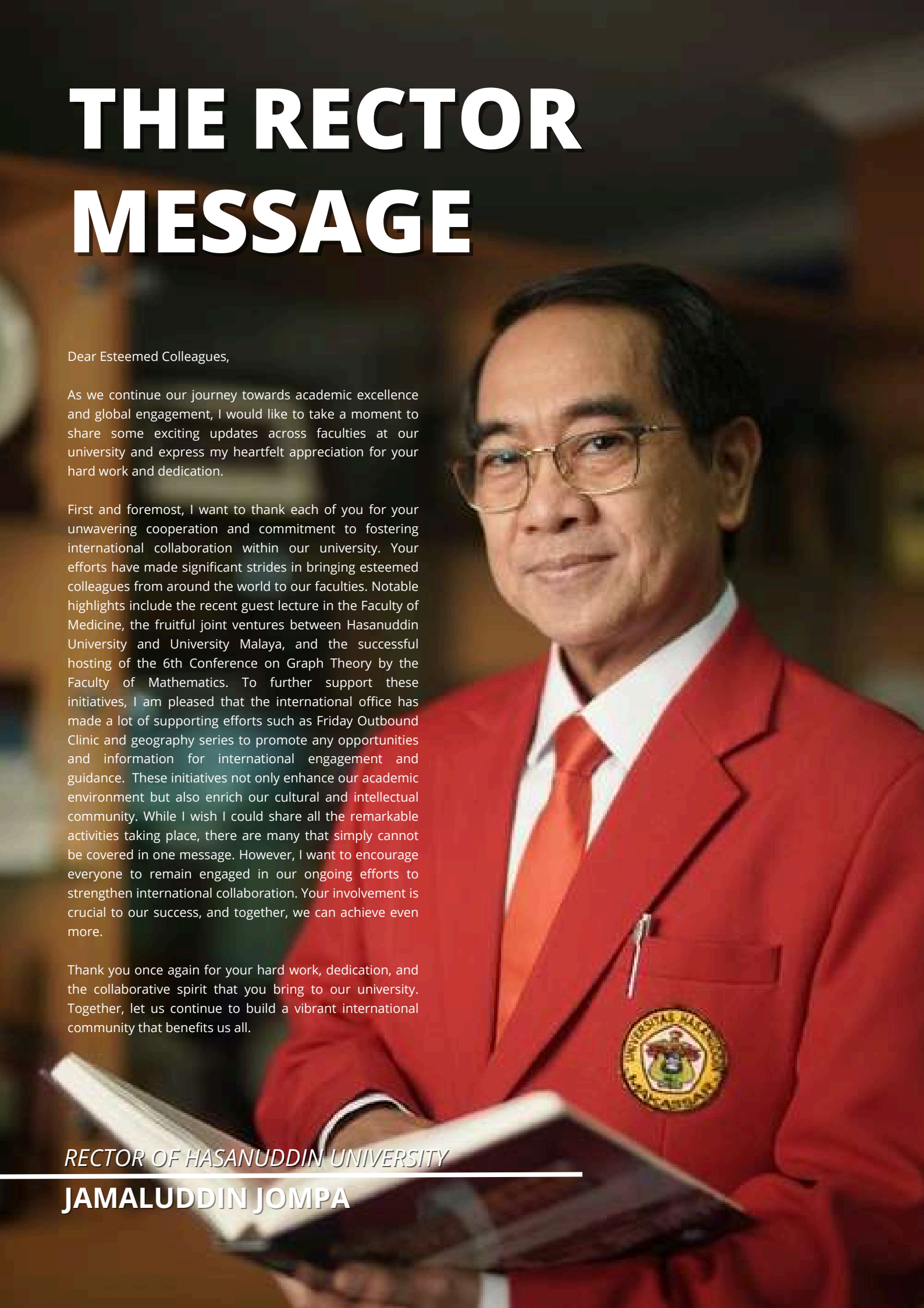
As we continue our journey towards academic excellence and global engagement, I would like to take a moment to share some exciting updates across faculties at our university and express my heartfelt appreciation for your hard work and dedication.

First and foremost, I want to thank each of you for your unwavering cooperation and commitment to fostering international collaboration within our university. Your efforts have made significant strides in bringing esteemed colleagues from around the world to our faculties. Notable highlights include the recent guest lecture in the Faculty of Medicine, the fruitful joint ventures between Hasanuddin University and University Malaya, and the successful hosting of the 6th Conference on Graph Theory by the Faculty of Mathematics. To further support these initiatives, I am pleased that the international office has made a lot of supporting efforts such as Friday Outbound Clinic and geography series to promote any opportunities and information for international engagement and guidance. These initiatives not only enhance our academic environment but also enrich our cultural and intellectual community. While I wish I could share all the remarkable activities taking place, there are many that simply cannot be covered in one message. However, I want to encourage everyone to remain engaged in our ongoing efforts to strengthen international collaboration. Your involvement is crucial to our success, and together, we can achieve even more.

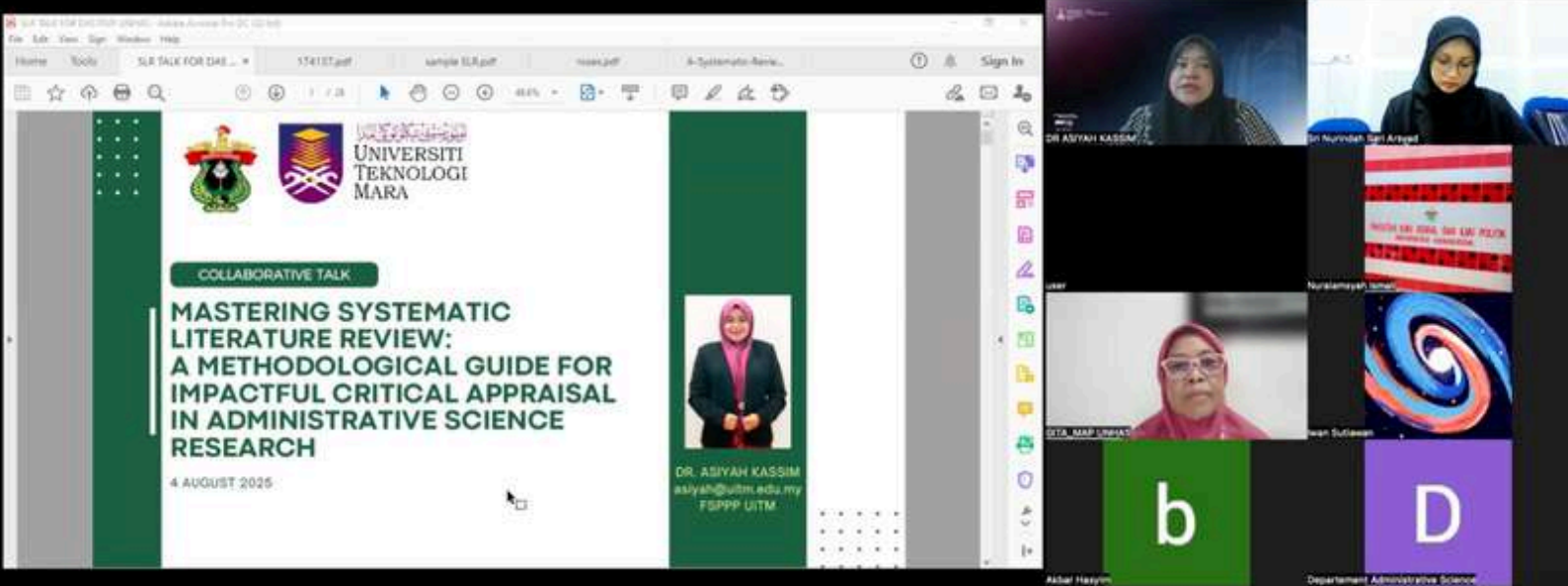
Thank you once again for your hard work, dedication, and the collaborative spirit that you bring to our university. Together, let us continue to build a vibrant international community that benefits us all.

RECTOR OF HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY

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ACADEMIC DISCUSSION HIGHLIGHTS METHODOLOGICAL RIGOR IN SYSTEMATIC LITERATURE REVIEW FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SCIENCE RESEARCH



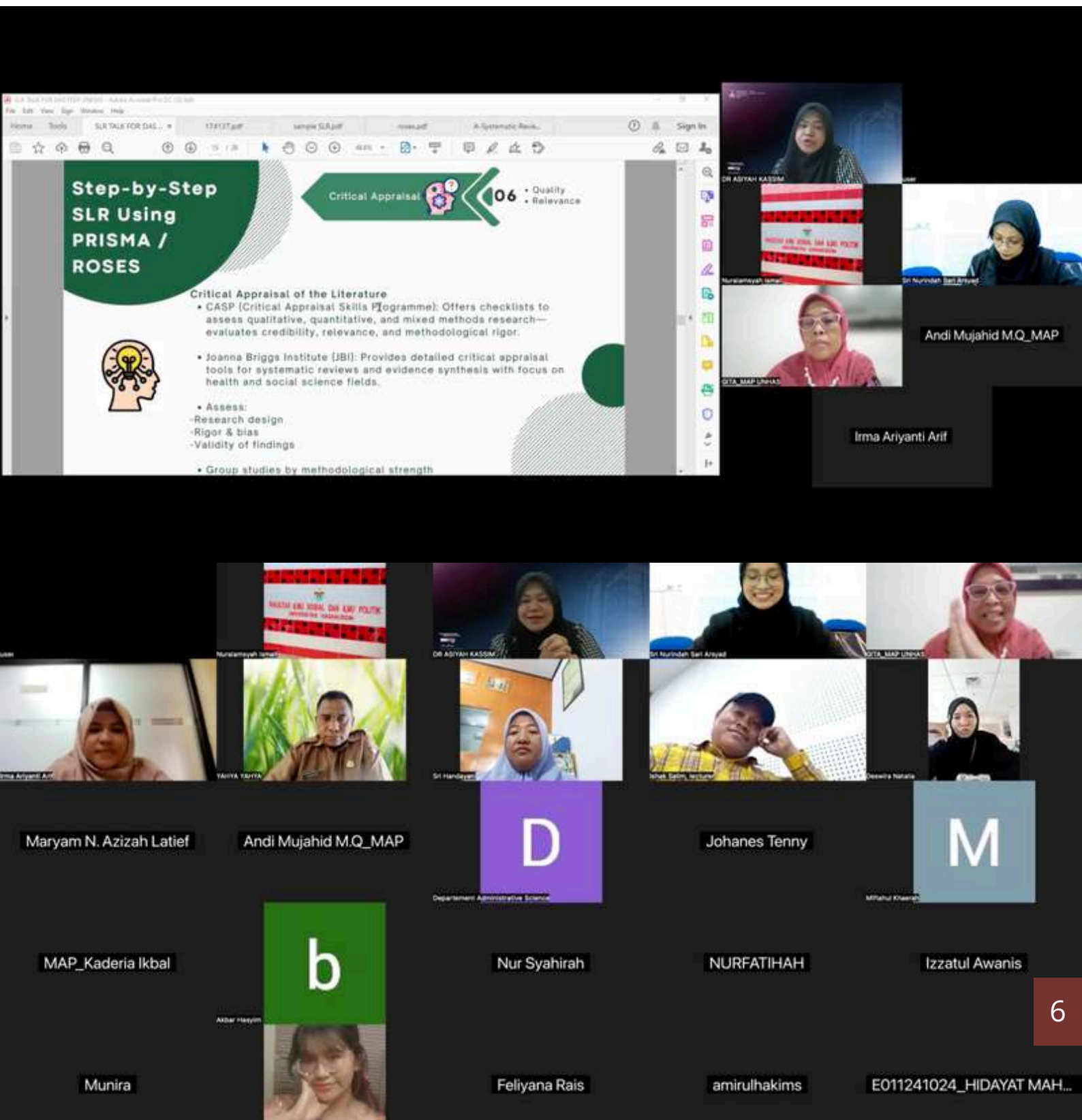
A highly insightful and strategic academic discussion took place under the theme “Collaborative Talk: Mastering Systematic Literature Review — A Methodological Guide for Impactful Critical Appraisal in Administrative Science Research.” The event was held in the Administrative Science Research Smartroom on Monday, 4 August 2025 from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM WIB.

The session featured keynote speaker Dr. Asiyah Kassim, Head of Postgraduate Studies Affairs at Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM), Malaysia, and was moderated by Sri Nurindah Sari Arsyad, S.Sos, MAP, Research Assistant at the Public Policy and Management Laboratory.

This discussion delved deeply into the concept of the Systematic Literature Review (SLR), covering its introduction, significance in academic work, and the methodology using the Preferred Reporting Items for Systematic Reviews and Meta-Analyses (PRISMA) and Reporting Standards for Systematic Evidence Syntheses (ROSES) approaches. Dr. Asiyah emphasized that SLR is a vital foundation for postgraduate students in preparing scientific articles, theses, and dissertations. “SLR is a crucial methodology that isn’t just for one-time use but can be repeatedly applied as a framework for academic publication,” Dr. Asiyah stated during her presentation.

This event was part of the initiative by the Thematic Research Group (TRG) led by Prof. Gita Susanti, M.Si, in collaboration with Dr. Asiyah Kassim as an external researcher. The main objective of this activity was to provide students and early-career researchers with a solid methodological understanding and skills to produce high-quality publications through a systematic, critical, and impactful SLR approach.

Held in a hybrid format (offline & online), the event successfully reached participants from various academic backgrounds, especially Master's and Doctoral students, as well as lecturers preparing their academic publications. We hope that today's discussion serves as a strong reference point and starting foundation for participants to produce relevant, accurate, and high-quality publications in the field of administrative science.



GUEST LECTURE INSPIRES CREATIVE STRATEGIES FOR UNIVERSAL AND PRIMARY HEALTH CARE AT FKM UNHAS



The Faculty of Public Health (FKM) at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) once again opened a window to global insights for its academic community. Through a Guest Lecture titled “Innovate to Elevate: Crafting Smart Solutions for Public Health Impact”, FKM UNHAS invited participants to explore the importance of innovation in addressing the increasingly complex challenges of public health on 5 August 2025.

Held in the Prof. Nasry Noor Room, the event was opened by the Dean of FKM UNHAS, Prof. Sukri Palutturi, SKM., M.Kes., MSc.PH., Ph.D., who reaffirmed the faculty’s commitment to implementing its global vision through international academic collaboration. “Collaborations like this are a tangible manifestation of our commitment,” said Prof. Sukri.

Serving as the keynote speaker, Prof. Dr. Fernando B. Garcia Jr., Dean of the College of Public Health at the University of the Philippines, delivered an engaging presentation. In addition to his role as dean, Prof. Garcia is also the Director of SEAMEO TropMed Philippines and Vice President of the Asian Health Literacy Association. In his session, he highlighted three main objectives: introducing the basic concepts of creativity and innovation, discussing their role in the implementation of Universal Health Care (UHC) and Primary Health Care (PHC), and identifying innovative solutions using the SCAMPER approach.

One of the main highlights of Prof. Garcia's presentation was his introduction of the SCAMPER method—an acronym serving as a framework for creative thinking. This method is not merely theoretical but offers practical guidance for creating relevant and sustainable local solutions. The approach is valuable not only for health practitioners but also for students and community members eager to actively participate in solving health problems in their surroundings.

Attended by lecturers, students, and public health professionals, the event was filled with enthusiasm. An interactive discussion session provided participants with a valuable opportunity to deepen their understanding of innovation-based public health practices. Through this activity, FKM UNHAS once again reinforced its position as an adaptive and proactive institution in building international networks, committed to producing graduates who are ready to compete on the global stage.



FACULTY OF NURSING UNHAS AND YOKOHAMA CITY UNIVERSITY, JAPAN STRENGTHEN ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH COLLABORATION



The Faculty of Nursing (FKep), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) welcomed a delegation of lecturers from Yokohama City University (YCU), Japan on Tuesday, 5 August 2025. The visiting team comprising Prof. Nao Tamai, R.N., PHN., Ph.D.; Kana Suzuki, Ph.D.; and Yayoi Shoji, R.N., MHS was officially received by the Dean of the Faculty of Nursing, Prof. Dr. Ariyanti Saleh, S.Kp., M.Si. She was accompanied by the Vice Deans: Syahrul, S.Kep., Ns., M.Kes., Ph.D.; Dr. Erfina, S.Kep., Ns., M.Kep.; and Dr. Takdir Tahir, S.Kep., Ns., M.Kes., as well as the Head of UNHAS International Office, Andi Masyitha Irwan, S.Kep., Ns., MAN., Ph.D., and several researchers from thematic research groups.

The visit aimed to explore other opportunities for collaboration, building upon existing academic exchanges such as joint research, student exchanges, and online programs for undergraduate students. During the meeting, Syahrul, Ph.D. presented the current international undergraduate programs offered by the Faculty of Nursing and invited YCU students to participate in several upcoming exchange programs. Dr. Takdir highlighted the faculty's thematic research groups and expressed hope for expanded research collaborations with YCU lecturers in the future.

Representing YCU, Kana Suzuki, Ph.D., Yayoi Shoji, and Prof. Nao Tamai introduced the Faculty of Nursing at Yokohama City University, along with its research groups and areas of expertise. They expressed hope for future joint research collaborations with FKep UNHAS.



FIKP UNHAS HOSTS GUEST LECTURE ON MARINE ECOSYSTEM MONITORING & BIODIVERSITY MAPPING



The Faculty of Marine Science and Fisheries (FIKP) at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) successfully hosted a guest lecture titled “Marine Ecosystem Monitoring & Biodiversity Mapping” on 5 August 2025, attracting around 50 participants, including undergraduate, master’s, and doctoral students, as well as lecturers.

The first speaker, Emma Novak, a PhD candidate from Victoria University of Wellington, delivered a lecture titled “Exploring the Depths: Sharks, Sponges, and Marine Community Mapping at Hoga Island, Wakatobi.” She presented findings from her ongoing collaborative research with FIKP UNHAS, offering insights into reef predators, sponge dominance, and photogrammetry-based ecosystem mapping. Ms. Novak had just completed her field sampling at Hoga Island, Wakatobi, before her visit to UNHAS.

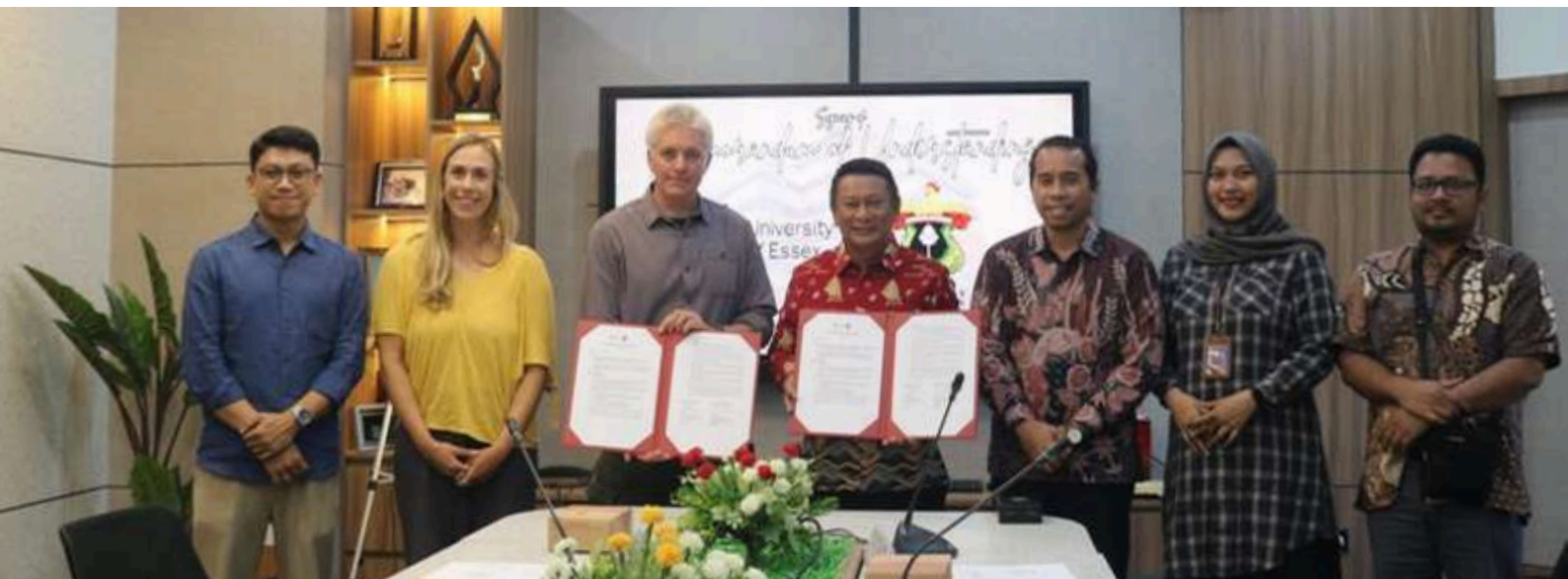
The second speaker, Dr. Jon Chamberlain from the University of Essex (UK), presented “Scalable Solutions for Monitoring Ecosystem Change.” He discussed methodologies and challenges in monitoring marine ecosystems, highlighting the use of scalable technologies to track changes across different spatial scales. Dr. Chamberlain is also the lead scientist for Operation Wallacea Indonesia and has been conducting research at Hoga since 2010.

Following the presentations, participants engaged in parallel Q&A sessions with both speakers, moderated by Dr. Jamaluddin F.A. These interactive discussions explored technological tools, fieldwork logistics, and opportunities for future collaborative research, fostering valuable academic exchanges between students, faculty, and the guest experts.

After the lecture and a group photo, the focus shifted to a significant ceremonial moment: the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between UNHAS and the University of Essex. The MoU signing took place at the Rectorate Building, 6th floor, and was presided over by Prof. Dr. Eng. Adi Maulana, S.T., M.Phil., Vice-Rector for Partnership, Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Business at UNHAS; Ansariadi, S.K.M., M.Sc., Ph.D., Director of Partnerships at UNHAS, and Dr. Eng. Zulkifli Tahir, S.T., M.Sc., Head of the Subdirectorate for International Partnerships.

The agreement formalises academic collaboration between the two universities, covering joint research initiatives, student and faculty exchanges, and shared academic programming, with a strong focus on marine science and environmental monitoring. This event underscores FIKP UNHAS's commitment to strengthening international partnerships and providing its academic community with access to global expertise, particularly in the fields of marine ecosystem research and advanced monitoring technologies.

The guest lecture and MoU signing mark a significant step forward in UNHAS's international engagement, paving the way for cross-institutional learning, innovation, and sustainable marine research in Indonesia and beyond.





FIKP UNHAS STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN SUMMER COURSE ON CORAL REEF ECOLOGY AT HOGA ISLAND



Four undergraduate students from the Faculty of Marine Science and Fisheries (FIKP) at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) took part in the Summer Course Hoga 2025, an intensive two-week international program focusing on coral reef ecology and reef survey techniques. The program, held on Hoga Island, Wakatobi from 19 July to 2 August 2025, brought together students from UNHAS and over 20 international participants representing various universities worldwide.

The UNHAS participants: Gracella (Aquatic Resources Management Study Program), James Nicholas Pratama Afandy Palebangan, Kristopel Hutasoit, and Nur Ikhlasul Amal (Marine Science Study Program), began their journey on 19 July 2025, flying from Makassar to Baubau before continuing by land and ferry to Hoga Island. Upon arrival, they joined international students and Operation Wallacea staff for site orientation and health & safety briefings to prepare for the field activities ahead.

From 21 to 25 July, participants engaged in the Coral Reef Ecology & Reef Survey Techniques Course, which combined two dives per day with three lectures or land-based workshops covering reef biodiversity, marine conservation, and underwater survey methods. Topics included coral identification, fish taxonomy, reef health assessment techniques, and data recording protocols. The program's daily schedule balanced practical training and theoretical learning, with morning dives, mid-morning lectures, afternoon dives, and evening sessions.

Saturday, 26 July, was designated as a rest day, allowing participants to recover before completing the final day of the course on Sunday, 27 July. From 28 July to 1 August, the program shifted focus to a reef monitoring project. Students conducted two survey dives daily to collect data on reef structure, benthic composition, and fish populations, followed by data processing and analysis in the afternoons. These sessions strengthened technical skills and deepened understanding of reef ecosystem dynamics.

The training and fieldwork were guided by an Operation Wallacea (Opwall) team, including Mrs. Mo (Hoga Site Manager), Mr. Imin (Dive Operation Manager), Dr. Jon Chamberlain (Science Lead), Dr. Danny and Dr. Kam (Medics), Prof. James Bell (Supervisor), Holly and Molly (Reef Ecology and Reef Survey Techniques Coordinators), Cath and Chiara (Reef Monitoring Project Coordinators), and Pak Jufri (Hoga Logistics).

On 2 August 2025, participants returned from Hoga Island to Makassar, marking the completion of an intensive and transformative learning experience. In addition to technical competencies, the program offered valuable cross-cultural exposure through daily collaboration with international peers and scientists.

The Summer Course Hoga 2025 highlights FIKP UNHAS's commitment to offering immersive, field-based learning experiences that bridge academic knowledge with real-world environmental challenges. By working alongside international participants and expert trainers, UNHAS students enhanced their scientific expertise, cultural understanding, and professional networks in the field of marine science.







HARMONISING VOICES OF THE ARCHIPELAGO: AICCON 2025 BRINGS TOGETHER GLOBAL EXPERTS IN MAKASSAR



The Indonesian Association for Communication in Higher Education (ASPIKOM), in collaboration with the Department of Communication Science at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), once again hosted the 5th ASPIKOM International Communication Conference (AICCON 2025) on 30 July 2025 at UNHAS Hotel & Convention, Makassar.

This year's theme, "Harmonizing the Voices of the Archipelago: Communication Transformation for Social, Economic, and Maritime Cultural Advancement," intertwines Indonesia's diverse voices with the urgent need for communication transformation to advance social, economic, and maritime cultural development. Topics addressed ranged from social resilience, preservation of digital narratives, and strategic communication in economic development, to media and information literacy, environmental communication and sustainability, intercultural maritime communication, innovation for development, governance and communication policy, as well as marketing and public relations strategies.

The conference welcomed experts from both Indonesia and abroad. Dr Ammar Redza Ahmad Rizal from Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, attending in person, presented communication strategies to support marginalised communities. He emphasised that effective social change strategies should integrate collaborative approaches with the diffusion of innovations theory, while addressing power imbalances, social norms, and individual readiness. He highlighted the need to empower minorities, engage local opinion leaders, and enhance digital literacy to prevent the public from falling into echo chambers and polarisation.

From Indonesia, Prof. Dr. Phil Sukri, M.Si (Dean of FISIP UNHAS) delivered a keynote speech underscoring that a healthy, inclusive, and participatory democracy cannot thrive without open and honest communication. He reviewed Robert Dahl's five pillars of substantive democracy—effective participation, voting equality, enlightened understanding, control of the agenda, and inclusiveness—stressing that these pillars depend heavily on adequate access to information and healthy communication.

Another Indonesian speaker, Dr. Muliadi Mau from the Department of Communication Science at UNHAS, discussed multicultural communication and the challenges of digital fragmentation. He noted Indonesia's unique diversity, home to over 70,000 ethnic groups and 8,000 languages. To achieve harmony in a multicultural society, he proposed the concepts of the "universal person," "multicultural person," and "intercultural person," with cross-cultural communication as the key.

In addition to in-person sessions, AICCON 2025 also featured international speakers online. Prof. Gerard Goggin from the University of Sydney, Australia, joined via video conference to discuss digital citizenship and digital inclusivity, stressing the need for inclusive digital platforms so that all citizens, including persons with disabilities, can enjoy social justice.



From the University of the Philippines Open University, Dr. Benjamina Paula G. Flor focused on maritime communities and development communication strategies in coastal regions, highlighting how communication can empower maritime communities and preserve the archipelago's maritime cultural heritage.

Dr. Prakrit Rakwong from Chulalongkorn University, Thailand, examined the dynamics of political communication and media in Thailand, noting the impact of digital media on democracy and the need for regional collaboration to tackle misinformation.

The complete lineup of plenary international speakers included Prof. Gerard Goggin, Dr. Ammar Redza Ahmad Rizal, Dr. Benjamina Paula G. Flor, Dr. Prakrit Rakwong, and Dr. Muliadi Mau. Their participation—both in-person and online—opened a dialogue on contemporary issues ranging from digital inequality, multicultural communication, and political communication to the empowerment of maritime communities. Each session concluded with an interactive discussion, allowing participants to exchange ideas and broaden their global perspectives.

The combination of physical and virtual participation bridged global perspectives with Indonesia's local context. This aligns with the theme "Harmonising the Voices of the Archipelago"—weaving together diverse voices to drive communication transformation for social, economic, and maritime cultural advancement. The topics presented, from social resilience to communication policy, serve as a roadmap for academics and practitioners seeking to build an inclusive, fair, and sustainable communication ecosystem.

With its strong roster of international speakers, AICCON 2025 proved to be more than an academic forum—it became a platform for global idea exchange, offering fresh insights to participants from across Indonesia. The conference reaffirmed the commitment of ASPIKOM and UNHAS to positioning Makassar as a hub for international communication in Southeast Asia and fostering cross-border collaboration to advance communication for the well-being of society.







STRENGTHENING GLOBAL TIES THROUGH ARABIC: INSIGHTS FROM THE 15TH PINBA



Darunnajah University and Islamic Boarding School proudly hosted the 15th *Pertemuan Ilmiah Internasional Bahasa Arab (PINBA)*, organized by *Ittihad Mudarrisi al-Lughah al-Arabiyyah (IMLA)* Indonesia. This prestigious gathering, held from 6-8 August 2025, brought together scholars, educators, and practitioners of the Arabic language from across the globe, including participants from Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Jordan, Brunei Darussalam, and Indonesia.

Carrying the theme “Arabic Language in the Era of Artificial Intelligence: Policy, Planning, and Teaching”, the conference highlighted the crucial role of Arabic in adapting to technological transformations. Discussions explored the opportunities and challenges of teaching Arabic in the age of artificial intelligence, particularly in areas such as digital pedagogy, curriculum innovation, and AI-driven educational tools. Joining this scientific meeting, Haeruddin, M.A. (Lecturer of the Department of Arabic Language, Faculty of Cultural Sciences) presented his paper entitled Arabic Loanwords in Mandare Language.

Beyond academic exchange, PINBA served as a platform for fostering friendship and strengthening international collaboration among Arabic language experts and institutions. Delegates emphasized the importance of cooperation in advancing Arabic learning and ensuring its relevance in a rapidly changing global context.

At the conclusion of the meeting, participants reaffirmed their shared commitment to support one another in promoting Arabic education worldwide. This spirit of partnership reflects not only the cultural and linguistic significance of Arabic but also its potential to thrive in the era of technological innovation.





INTERNATIONAL RESEARCHERS VISIT UNHAS GEOPHYSICS DEPARTMENT FOR TSUNAMI RESEARCH COLLABORATION



The Department of Geophysics, Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences (FMIPA), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) welcomed a visit from three international researchers on 6 August 2025. They were Dr. Abang Mansyursyah Surya Nugraha and Dr. Ignatius Ryan Pranantyo, research fellows, from the Earth Observatory of Singapore, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore; and Dr. Jędrzej Majewski, an Associate Professor from Adam Mickiewicz University, Poland. This visit was part of their research mission in Sulawesi in collaboration with UNHAS, Syiah Kuala University in Aceh, and Samudera University in Aceh, aiming to deepen the understanding of the historical occurrence of tsunamis in the Sulawesi region.

Before departing for the field sites, the researchers took the opportunity to engage in a discussion with UNHAS Master's students in Geophysics about ongoing tsunami research. During the session, they provided valuable feedback on research methodology, data analysis, and international perspectives in tsunami studies.

In the discussion session, master's students presented the current studies they are working on, focusing on potential tsunami hazards from tectonic activity in northern Sulawesi, western Mamuju, and eastern Southeast Sulawesi. They received constructive input regarding the accuracy of the models used. Potential research topics were also highlighted, including historical tsunami events such as the 1996 Toli-Toli and 2000 Banggai events.

They were welcomed by the Head of the Department of Geophysics, Dr. Alimuddin Hamzah, along with several faculty members. Dr. Alimuddin expressed that this activity is expected to pave the way for stronger partnerships and research collaborations between the parties, particularly in efforts to mitigate tsunami disasters in Sulawesi in the future. "This collaboration is important not only for advancing research but also for strengthening our capacity to anticipate and reduce disaster risks," said Dr. Alimuddin.

Through this synergy, it is hoped that the research findings will make a significant contribution to disaster mitigation efforts and community safety in tsunami-prone areas.



CROSS-CULTURAL MEDICAL LEARNING: NIIGATA AND HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITIES IN ACADEMIC PARTNERSHIP



The Faculty of Medicine, Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), welcomed four inbound students from Niigata University, Japan, to take part in the Summer Exchange Program, held from 19 to 29 August 2025. This program is part of an ongoing academic collaboration between UNHAS and Niigata University, aimed at strengthening international networks, broadening students' global perspectives, and enhancing cross-cultural understanding in the fields of medicine and health.

Throughout the program, the Niigata University students will participate in a series of activities at UNHAS's Faculty of Medicine as well as affiliated hospitals and community health centers (puskesmas). The activities will focus on studying infectious and tropical diseases within the Department of Internal Medicine, in addition to observing firsthand medical examinations and treatments conducted at local puskesmas. Through this initiative, UNHAS continues to demonstrate its commitment to fostering global collaboration and preparing a young generation with strong international competitiveness.





GLOBAL DENTAL SCHOLARS GATHER AT UNHAS FOR SUMMER COURSE AND IDRP



The Faculty of Dentistry (FKG), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) successfully organized the 2nd Summer Course in collaboration with the International Dental Research Program (IDRP), supported by the International Association of Dental Research (IADR). The program was held from 18 to 28 August 2025 and welcomed students from 13 countries, including Romania, Mongolia, India, Tunisia, Pakistan, Malaysia, Egypt, Iraq, Yemen, Sudan, Afghanistan, China, and Indonesia.

The opening ceremony was attended by the Rector of UNHAS, Prof. Dr. Ir. Jamaluddin Jompa, M.Sc.; the Head of the Makassar Health Office, dr. Nursaidah Sirajuddin, M.Kes., representing the Mayor of Makassar; the Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry, Irfan Sugianto, drg., M.Med.Ed., Ph.D., Sp.RKG.; the Director of RSGMP UNHAS, Andi Tajrin, drg., M.Kes., Sp.B.M.M., Subsp.C.O.M.(K); the Secretary of UNHAS International Office, Muh. Ridwan, SS., MA.; the Director of Education Transformation and Learning Innovation, Ir. Sahriyanti Saad, S.Hut., M.Si., Ph.D.; and the Head of the Subdirectorate of International Education, Dr. Februadi Bastian, STP., M.Si.

This second summer course stood out for its unique and comprehensive design. Besides offering cultural exchange activities, expert lectures from the host university, community engagement, and exploration of South Sulawesi's natural and cultural heritage, the program also integrated hospital visits and active research participation. Students were encouraged to collaborate in producing scientific outputs, with the goal of publishing either a review article or original research.

The combination of academic enrichment, international networking, and cultural immersion positioned the program as a valuable platform for strengthening global collaboration in dental research and education.





STANFORD FULBRIGHT FELLOW ENGAGES FKM UNHAS FRESHMEN WITH DRONE-BASED RESEARCH ON MOSQUITO-BORNE DISEASES



Hundreds of new students from the Faculty of Public Health (FKM) at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) were enthusiastic as they filled the Prof. dr. H. Sirajuddin Beku, S.KM Auditorium on 12 August 2025. This time, the Freshman Orientation Program (PKKMB) of FKM UNHAS presented an unconventional topic, a session that took them beyond national borders and disciplinary boundaries.

The focus was on Morgan Tarpinning, a Fulbright Research Fellow and Merigan Infectious Disease Fellow from Stanford University, United States. In clear terms, Morgan presented the results of his research in Makassar, revealing an unexpected connection between piles of trash and the threat of mosquito-borne diseases such as Dengue Fever (DBD), Zika, and Chikungunya.

Morgan and his team did not rely solely on conventional methods. They used advanced drone technology to map potential mosquito breeding sites, particularly areas where *Aedes aegypti* mosquitoes thrive. This technology enabled them to access hidden locations that were otherwise invisible to the naked eye, including discarded tires stuck on building roofs. "This drone method is 2.4 times more effective in identifying discarded tires compared to ground surveys. We found 22% of discarded tires that were completely invisible from the ground surface," Morgan revealed.

This precise data, he continued, is crucial. It can serve as a guide for the government and the community to direct health resources and waste management programs to the most at-risk areas, so that prevention efforts can be more targeted. This research does not stop at visual data alone. A holistic approach is key. Morgan also conducted in-depth interviews with 25 housewives in Tallo District. The aim was to gain a direct understanding of their perceptions, practices, and challenges in managing waste at the household level, both during dry and rainy seasons. This qualitative data was combined with approximately 500 survey data from a collaboration between UNHAS and Stanford University.

Throughout the session, new FKM UNHAS students were actively engaged. Critical questions flowed freely, demonstrating a strong curiosity. Morgan's presence as an international speaker not only enriched their understanding of environmental health issues but also broadened their horizons on how technology and field research can be integrated to create real and beneficial solutions for the community. This special session served as a valuable supplement to the PKKMB, reinforcing FKM UNHAS's commitment to consistently provide relevant, innovative, and directly impactful learning experiences for public health.



JAPANESE SCHOLAR SHARES INSIGHTS AT SPECIALIST CONSERVATIVE DENTISTRY PROGRAM



The Faculty of Dentistry (FKG), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), welcomed Dr. Takashi Hatayama, DDS., Ph.D., from the Department of Cariology and Operative Dentistry, Graduate School of Medical and Dental Sciences, Institute of Science Tokyo, Japan, as a guest lecturer. The lecture, organized by the Specialist Program in Conservative Dentistry, also invited all members of IKORGI (Indonesian Conservative Dentistry Association) Makassar Chapter. The event took place on Friday, 8 August 2025 at 9:00 a.m. CIT at the Molar Room, FKG UNHAS.

The program was officially opened by the Vice Dean for Academic and Student Affairs of FKG UNHAS, Acing Habibie Mude, drg., Ph.D., Sp.Prof., Subsp.OGST(K). In his remarks, he expressed appreciation for the presence of the distinguished guest, hoping the lecture would provide new insights while strengthening FKG UNHAS' academic network with international higher education institutions. The event concluded at 4:00 p.m. WITA and was attended by the Head of the Specialist Program in Conservative Dentistry, faculty members, the Head and staff of the Department of Conservative Dentistry FKG UNHAS, alumni of IKORGI Makassar Chapter, as well as students of the Specialist Program in Conservative Dentistry.

GUEST LECTURE

"Conservative Dentistry Specialist Programme"

"Predictable Anterior & Posterior Composite Restorations: A Deep Dive into Bonding Science"

Speaker

Dr. Takashi Hatayama, DDS., Ph.D

Assistant Professor
Department of Cariology and Operative Dentistry,
Graduate School of Medical and Dental Sciences,
Institute of Science Tokyo, Japan



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UNHAS AND OKAYAMA UNIVERSITY STRENGTHEN TIES THROUGH 2025 STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM



The Faculty of Dentistry of Hasanuddin University welcomed students and professors from Okayama University, Japan, on Tuesday, 26 August 2025. This visit is part of the Student Exchange Program for Undergraduate Students between Hasanuddin University and Okayama University. This year's exchange involves eight students from Okayama University, coming from the Faculty of Nursing, Radiological Technology, and Medical Laboratory Science. Meanwhile, Hasanuddin University sent 12 students, consisting of six from FKG, two from the Faculty of Medicine, two from the Faculty of Nursing, and two from the Faculty of Public Health.

The program began on 1 July 2025, with four online meetings conducted via Zoom with mentors. Each session lasts for one hour, featuring presentations and discussions guided by mentors from both universities. This year's mentors include Andi Sri Permatasari, drg., Sp.KGA (Faculty of Dentistry), Nurhaya Nurdin, S.Kep., Ns., MN., MPH (Faculty of Nursing), as well as Prof. Toshihiro Iguchi, MD, and Kosuke Kitabepu, MSN from Okayama University. The representative of Okayama University, Prof. Toshihiro Iguchi, led the welcoming event, which took place at the Magister Room of FKG UNHAS.

The event was also attended by the Dean of FKG Unhas, drg. Irfan Sugianto, Ph.D., Sp.RKG., along with vice deans, representatives from the Faculty of Medicine, Faculty of Nursing, and Faculty of Public Health, as well as Dr. Andi Masyitha Irwan, Head of the International Office of UNHAS. In his speech, Prof. Toshihiro Iguchi expressed his gratitude for the warm welcome. He stated that the program not only aims to exchange knowledge but also to strengthen the friendship between students and faculty members of both universities. He hopes this activity will enhance academic networks, open opportunities for research collaboration, and offer valuable cross-cultural experiences for students.

The Dean of Faculty of Dentistry drg. Irfan Sugianto, welcomed the Okayama University delegation, expressing hope that this program will create opportunities for wider academic collaboration, enrich students' perspectives, and strengthen international relations. He also mentioned that students from the 2024 cohort are participating in this program and that Hasanuddin University students will visit Okayama University in December 2025. During the program, students from both universities presented the results of their discussions, which they had engaged in throughout the program. On August 26, they also performed cultural presentations from their respective countries, along with participants from the dental summer course. This student exchange program will run until 28 August 2025.



EXPANDING RESEARCH SYNERGY: FKG UNHAS COLLABORATES WITH TAIWAN AND JAPAN IN 2ND JOINT SYMPOSIUM



The Faculty of Dentistry (FKG) at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) once again strengthened international collaboration with Taipei Medical University (TMU), Taiwan, and the Health Sciences University of Hokkaido, Japan. The three institutions jointly held The 2nd Joint Symposium on Friday (August 22), located at the Doctoral Hall, 4th Floor, FKG Unhas. The event began at 08.30 WITA and was a continuation of previous cooperation, aiming to reinforce synergy in research and the advancement of dental science.

The Rector of UNHAS, Prof. Dr. Ir. Jamaluddin Jompa, M.Sc., was present along with the Vice-Rector for Academic and Student Affairs, Prof. Muhammad Ruslin, drg., M.Kes., Ph.D., Sp.B.M.M., Subsp.Ortognat-D(K), and the Dean of FKG Unhas, Irfan Sugianto, drg., M.Med.Ed., Ph.D., Sp.RKG., accompanied by other FKG leadership members. From the international partners, attendees included Prof. Yasushi Furuichi, Ph.D., and Prof. Yoshihiro Abiko, Ph.D., from the Health Sciences University of Hokkaido, as well as Prof. Yung-Kang Shen, Prof. Li-Sheng Chen, Prof. Sheng-Wei Feng, and Tsung-Ta from Taipei Medical University.

In addition to academics, participants of The 2nd International Dental Summer Course (IDSC) 2025 and the International Dental Research Program (IDRP) from 13 countries also joined the symposium. In his remarks, Dean of FKG Unhas, Drg. Irfan Sugianto, emphasized the importance of cross-country collaboration. "Synergy and international collaboration are crucial to drive innovation and strengthen research in dental science. Activities like this open space for knowledge and experience exchange that are truly valuable," he stated.

The symposium featured six keynote speakers from the three institutions. Among them was Prof. Yung-Kang Shen (Taipei Medical University), who presented on PCL/Multi-Wall Carbon Nanotube Composites as Osteoinductive Scaffold for Bone Regeneration. Also presenting was Prof. Yoshihiro Abiko (Health Sciences University of Hokkaido) on Multi-Omics Insights into Chronic Stress-Related Changes in Saliva and Oral Tissues, as well as Drg. Karima Qurnia Mansjur, Ph.D. (Unhas), who delivered her research on Bioactive Marine-Based Coating for Orthodontic Miniscrew. Other topics discussed included digital technology in prosthodontics, peri-implant diseases, and periodontal health in patients with systemic diseases. The event concluded with an interactive discussion that lasted until 12.00 WITA.



VISIT FROM OKAYAMA UNIVERSITY DELEGATION TO FACULTY OF NURSING UNHAS



The Faculty of Nursing at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) warmly welcomed a delegation from Okayama University on Tuesday, 26 August 2025. The visit was led by Professor Toshihiro Iguchi, accompanied by eight students from various health disciplines, including five from the field of nursing.

The delegation was warmly welcomed by the Vice Dean for Academic and Student Affairs, Syahrul S.Kep.,Ns., M.Kes., Ph.D and the Vice Dean for Research and Partnership Affairs, Dr. Takdir Tahir, S.Kep.,Ns., M.Kes.

In his opening remarks, Dr. Syahrul shared the growing relationship between the two institutions. "Last year, the Faculty of Nursing received a visit from Okayama University, and our Dean also had the opportunity to visit Okayama. This time, we are truly happy to welcome everyone here at our campus," he said. He further expressed hope that such visits would continue and strengthen academic cooperation. "It is a privilege to welcome all of you. We sincerely hope that more students from Okayama University can come to Faculty of Nursing UNHAS".

Professor Toshihiro Iguchi also emphasised his hopes for continued collaboration, stating that he looks forward to future initiatives beyond student exchange programs, such as joint research programs.

Currently, two nursing students from the Faculty of Nursing at UNHAS are participating in a hybrid student exchange program jointly organised by UNHAS and Okayama University. Furthermore, in October 2025, it is planned that two students from Okayama University will study at the Faculty of Nursing at UNHAS for one month.

At the end of the meeting, the student delegation from Okayama University had the opportunity to engage in short discussions and cultural exchange with student volunteers from the Faculty of Nursing UNHAS. This session provided a space for sharing experiences, building friendships, and having cross-cultural understanding among students.





INTERNATIONAL GUEST LECTURE AT FKM UNHAS EXPLORES THE INTERSECTION OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY



On the morning of Wednesday, 20 August 2025 the Faculty of Public Health (FKM), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) hosted an important guest lecture by Dr. Wesam Al Madhoun, an international academic from Palestine. In the Kandouw Room, typically reserved for academic discussions, attendees engaged in a significant conversation about global connections and sustainability.

Dr. Madhoun delivered a compelling lecture titled “Sustainability in Action: Protecting Health and Environment Together,” emphasizing the urgent need for collaboration between health and environmental sectors. As the founder of the Global Ambassadors of Sustainability and a board member at the Climate Change Center at Arab American University, he shared insights drawn from both expertise and personal experience.

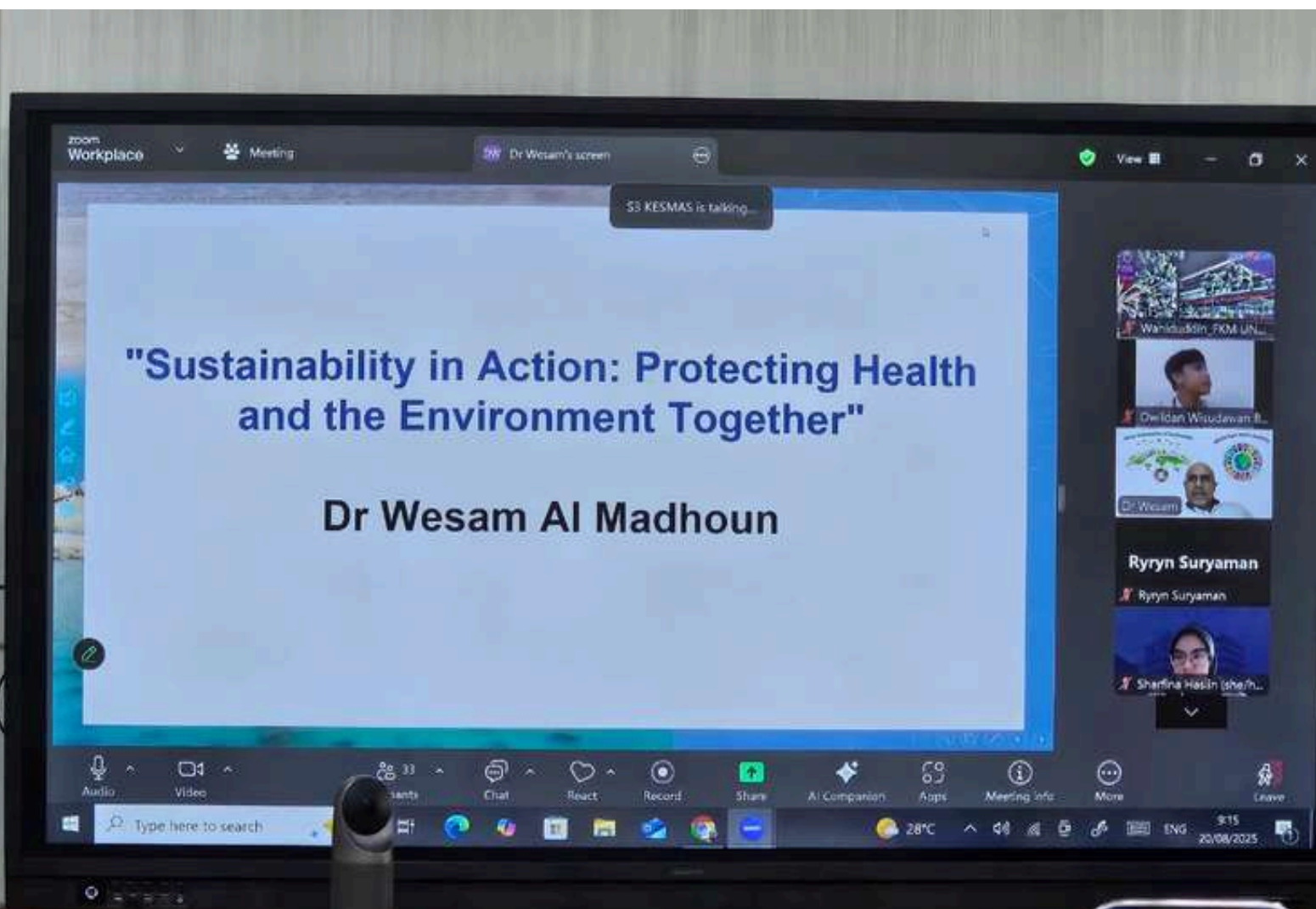
“Humans and the environment are one. Our health cannot be separated from the health of the Earth,” he stated, highlighting that sustainability has become an essential priority rather than a mere trend.

The Dean of FKM UNHAS, Prof. Sukri Palutturi, welcomed Dr. Madhoun with optimism, viewing the event as a vital opportunity for the academic community to deepen their understanding of the intricate relationship between health and the environment. "This is an important moment for us," he remarked, reinforcing the commitment of FKM UNHAS to cultivate a generation that is both intellectually capable and ecologically aware.

Under the guidance of moderator Dr. Owildan Wisudawan, the discussion evolved into an engaging dialogue where students, faculty, and practitioners explored the challenges posed by climate change, pollution, and the necessity for cross-sector collaboration. For the students, this was not just a lecture; it was a call to action, urging them to take part in shaping a sustainable future.

Against the backdrop of globalization, FKM UNHAS is positioning itself as a proactive player in addressing these challenges. The presence of Dr. Madhoun illustrates the faculty's commitment to build international networks, aligning with UNHAS's vision of becoming a center of excellence in education that contributes to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

As the discussions unfolded in the warm atmosphere of the Kandouw room, the sense of urgency and possibility was palpable. This small step from Makassar represents a bridge toward global sustainability—a collective effort to ensure that both the Earth and its inhabitants thrive.



STRENGTHENING DEMOCRACY: INDONESIA YOUTH DELEGATE PARTICIPATES IN YDN TOKYO 2025



Abdi Ardiansyah, a student from the Faculty of Law (FH) at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), was selected as a youth delegate representing Indonesia at the Youth Democracy Network (YDN) Regional Meeting held from 31 July to 1 August 2025, in Tokyo, Japan. This prestigious event brought together young leaders from over 18 countries across the Asia-Pacific region, including democracy activists, youth leaders, journalists, and university students from some of the world's top institutions. The meeting aimed to strengthen democratic resilience through cross-border collaboration and youth capacity building.

Among the key highlights of the program were an Opening Address by H.E. Tsutsumi Naohiro, Ambassador for Human Rights and International Peace from Japan's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, focusing on democratic resilience in Asia; an interactive leadership training session on strategic communication, stakeholder mapping, and fundraising strategies facilitated by Jaco Roets of Accountability Lab; and a dialogue with Dr. Mantas Adomėnas, Secretary General of the Community of Democracies. The forum also launched a new international certification program titled "Democratic Dialogues & Civic Skill-Building," a joint initiative of Cornell University and the Youth Democracy Network. The meeting concluded with a Closing Address by H.E. Paweł Milewski, Ambassador of Poland to Japan, representing the presidency of the Community of Democracies.

This regional meeting served as a continuation of the inaugural YDN launch held in Panama City in December 2024 and was supported by the U.S. Department of State. Abdi's involvement in this international forum was a valuable opportunity to gain global insight and experience, particularly in understanding the crucial role of youth in upholding democratic values. He expressed hope that his participation would contribute to advancing leadership capacity in the fields of law and democracy, and ultimately bring positive impact to Indonesia, UNHAS, and society at large.





27 UNHAS MEDICAL STUDENTS JOIN GLOBAL COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM IN JAPAN



A total of 27 students from the Faculty of Medicine (FK) at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) have officially departed for Japan to participate in Kuliah Kerja Nyata (KKN) or Community Service Program for the July–August 2025 period. This initiative is part of the faculty's internationalization agenda, aimed at broadening students' academic and professional perspectives on a global scale.

During the program the students will engage in a series of activities hosted by three prestigious institutions in Japan: Niigata University, Toyama University, and the Nagoya Kaikoukai Healthcare Group. The program is designed to provide students with firsthand experience in understanding Japan's healthcare system, while also enriching their knowledge in health-related fields, particularly community medicine.

Beyond its academic value, this international KKN program also serves to strengthen the Faculty of Medicine's collaboration with its international partners, especially those in Japan. With a spirit of global learning, the students are expected to make the most of this opportunity and return home with new insights and valuable experiences.





FACULTY OF DENTISTRY UNHAS EXPANDS GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT THROUGH THAILAND PROGRAM



The Faculty of Dentistry (FKG), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) deployed three of its staff members to accompany and supervise students participating in the Enrichment Program at Chulalongkorn University, Thailand, on 30 July 2025. The lecturers were drg. Acing Habibie Made, Ph.D., Sp.Pro., Subsp. OGST(K) (Vice Dean for Academic and Student Affairs), Prof. Dr. drg. Maria Tanumiharja, Md.Sc., and Muhammadong, S.IP., M.Adm.KP.

The Enrichment Program, held from 3 to 6 August 2025, served as a platform for academic and cultural exchange between UNHAS and Chulalongkorn University. It aimed to enhance students' academic exposure and professional skills through lectures, workshops, and hands-on learning opportunities in dentistry-related fields.

Four Dentistry students from UNHAS joined the program: Asfa Satya Handayani, Danty Oktavia Ayarah, Talitha Azalia Taha, and Nisrina Nabila Puti. Throughout the activities, they engaged with peers from Chulalongkorn University, participated in collaborative sessions, and explored innovative approaches to dental education and practice.

This initiative reflects FKG UNHAS's ongoing commitment to expanding its international collaborations and providing students with opportunities to broaden their horizons beyond the classroom. Through programs like these, the faculty fosters global competencies, academic networking, and cultural understanding, preparing its graduates to thrive in the increasingly interconnected field of dentistry.

FKM UNHAS DOCTORAL STUDENTS SHINE AT ICOH-CVD 2025 IN BANGKOK, WINNING BEST PRESENTER AWARDS



The conference room at the Faculty of Public Health, Mahidol University, Bangkok, was filled with anticipation as young researchers from various countries took to the stage. Among them were doctoral students from the Faculty of Public Health, Hasanuddin University (FKM UNHAS), confidently presenting their research at the prestigious 8th International Conference on Work Environment and Cardiovascular Diseases (ICOH-CVD 2025), held from August 20 to 22, 2025.

As the presenters shared their findings, the atmosphere buzzed with excitement, showcasing the global engagement of emerging scholars in the field.

Two supervising lecturers, Prof. Anwar Mallongi, M.Sc., Ph.D., and Dr. Ridwan Thaha, M.Kes., accompanied them, ensuring that every idea and scientific finding was conveyed properly to the international audience. This conference was no ordinary forum. Researchers, academics, and health practitioners from around the world gathered to share the latest insights on the link between the workplace and cardiovascular disease—one of the most pressing global health issues today.

At this forum, doctoral students from the Faculty of Public Health (FKM) at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) highlighted various topics, ranging from occupational health, occupational stress, to cardiovascular disease risk factors in urban communities. One presentation that caught the attention was titled 'When the Heart Breaks at Work: A Review of Occupational Burnout and Cardiac Risk in Urban Environments.' This material examined the close relationship between burnout, work pressure, and the risk of heart disease in big cities.

Their presentations were not merely academic expositions, but also a true reflection of how research originating in Makassar can resonate in international forums. In fact, two FKM UNHAS students won the Best Presenter award in different rooms—an achievement that confirms the academic quality of UNHAS in the eyes of the world.

Prof. Anwar Mallongi asserted that student participation in such forums transcends individual accomplishments; it is integral to a broader strategy for the internationalization of the campus. 'Student involvement in global forums such as this is a tangible manifestation of the contribution of FKM UNHAS to the development of public health science, particularly in the fields of occupational health, the environment, and cardiovascular disease,' he said enthusiastically.

Meanwhile, Dr Ridwan Thaha sees this conference as a global interaction laboratory that enriches students' insights. 'Here, they not only present their research but also engage in dialogue with world experts. That is what makes their academic capacity even stronger,' he said.

The presence of the FKM UNHAS delegation in Bangkok was more than just scientific participation. It also symbolized the shift in the position of UNHAS, particularly FKM, as a Centre of excellence for health research in Indonesia. This step also supports the university's grand mission: to strengthen international networks and consolidate its role in the global academic arena.

For doctoral students presenting at ICOH-CVD 2025, this experience will serve as a valuable stepping stone. For FKM UNHAS, this small footprint on the international stage is a decisive step toward greater endeavors—bringing knowledge from eastern Indonesia to contribute solutions to global health challenges.





UNHAS ADVANCES GEOSCIENCE RESEARCH AT PRESTIGIOUS AOGS ANNUAL MEETING IN SINGAPORE



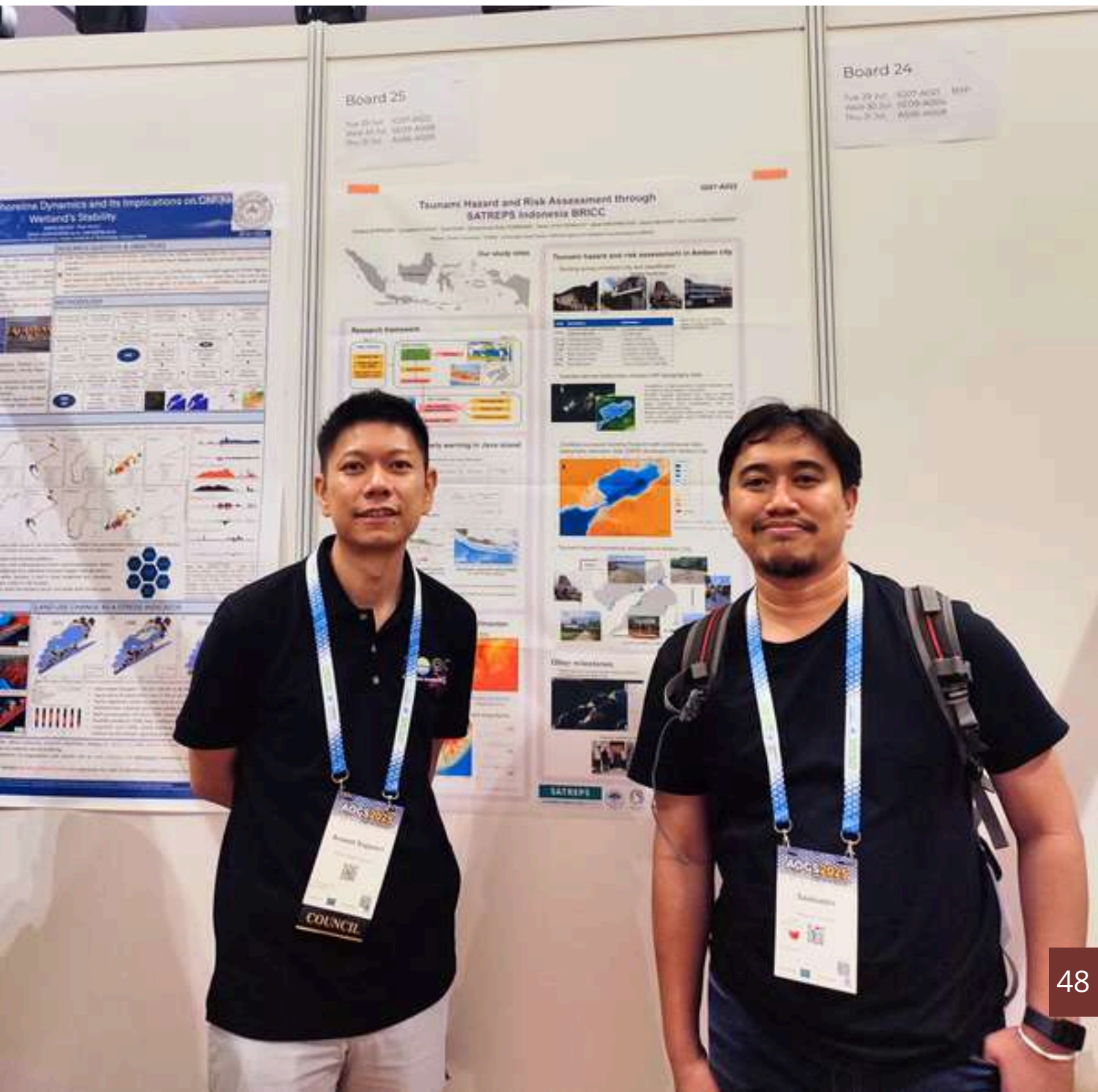
The Department of Geophysics, Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences (FMIPA), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) participated in the 22nd Annual Meeting of the Asian Oceania Geosciences Society (AOGS), held from 27 July to 2 August 2025 at the Sands Expo and Convention Centre, Marina Bay Sands, Singapore.

Participation in such international conferences serves as a strategic step for researchers, academics, and practitioners in the geosciences to broaden their perspectives, strengthen collaborative networks, and enhance the quality and relevance of their research.

The AOGS Annual Meeting is one of the largest academic forums in the region for geosciences, bringing together researchers, scholars, and professionals to share the latest research findings, foster scientific partnerships, and discuss strategic issues related to Earth sciences.

Representing the Department of Geophysics, Saaduddin, M.Sc., attended the event and delivered an oral presentation titled “Volcanic Tsunami Potential of Mount Iya: Implications for Risk Mitigation.” The presentation addressed the potential volcanic tsunami hazards posed by Mount Iya in Indonesia, highlighting the implications for disaster risk reduction and mitigation strategies.

This participation resulted in several key achievements, including the establishment of an academic peer network with researchers and institutions from various countries, which will support efforts to enhance UNHAS’ international reputation in 2026. Opportunities for collaborative research in tsunami modelling were also identified, particularly with Tongji University, Taiwan, and the Earth Observatory of Singapore (EOS) at Nanyang Technological University, Singapore. Furthermore, the event reinforced UNHAS’ research position in the field of geoscience-related disaster studies, strengthening its role in regional and international scientific collaboration.





EDUCATIONAL VISIT OF STUDENTS AT THE MASTER OF HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM TO SINGAPORE HOSPITALS



On Tuesday, 12 August 2025, a group of 30 students from the Master of Hospital Administration Program at Hasanuddin University undertook an educational visit to two hospitals in Singapore: Mount Elizabeth Hospital and Gleneagles Hospital. The visit was led by Dr. Nur Arifah, SKM, M.A.

Dr. Nur Arifah explained that the purpose of this visit was to enhance the students' understanding of healthcare management practices in an international context. This activity is crucial for providing students with insights into hospital management abroad, enriching their understanding beyond what they learn in the classroom at UNHAS. All participating students are healthcare practitioners, including directors, managers, case managers, doctors, nurses, and pharmacists. They are expected to develop and apply the insights gained from this visit in their workplaces.

At Mount Elizabeth Hospital, the students were warmly welcomed by CEO Yong Yih Ming, HMA, and Lim Xueni, Director of Operations, along with several staff members. Lim Xueni delivered a presentation discussing the hospital's management practices and the Renaissance Project, which incorporates digital products such as robots used in surgical procedures. It was highlighted that 20% of their patients come from Indonesia, and in response to patient needs, the hospital is expanding its capacity by adding one additional room with one bed and reducing the number of rooms with four beds.

Meanwhile, at Gleneagles Hospital, the students were greeted by CEO Dr. Thomas Wee, Dr. Yang Guirong, Director of Operations, and several staff members. Dr. Yang Guirong explained that the hospital implements numerous protocols while maintaining flexibility. He introduced the Da Vinci Xi, a surgical equipment used for urology, and discussed the development of a hybrid operating room set to be operational in September 2025. Gleneagles Hospital is also focusing on marketing strategies by continuously enhancing their healthcare service products, identifying niche markets, and establishing partnerships with several hospitals in Indonesia.

During their time at the hospitals, the students engaged in discussions with healthcare professionals and gained insights into the operational and administrative aspects of these renowned institutions. The students also conducted a hospital tour guided by the hospital's staff.

Upon returning to Indonesia, the students will compile reports and present their findings along with follow-up action plans based on their visits.

This educational experience is expected to significantly enrich the students' understanding of international healthcare management and prepare them for their future careers in healthcare administration.



UNHAS HOSTS THE 16TH INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC CONSORTIUM FOR SUSTAINABLE CITIES CONFERENCE



Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) once again hosted the 16th International Academic Consortium for Sustainable Cities (IACSC) Conference. This annual agenda brings together academics from various countries to discuss strategic issues on urbanization, environment, and health as the main pillars of future cities. The conference took place at the UNHAS Hotel and Convention Center on Monday, 4 August 2025, featuring 110 presenters from six member universities of the consortium.

Alongside UNHAS as the sole representative from Indonesia, the consortium includes Yokohama University (Japan), Universiti Sains Malaysia, Thammasat University (Thailand), the University of the Philippines, and Vietnam National University. As the host, UNHAS promoted a spirit of regional collaboration to create solutions for environmental preservation, particularly in Asia, which faces the challenges of rapid urbanization.

The Head of the International Office of UNHAS, Andi Masyitha Irwan, S.Kep., Ns., MAN, PhD, emphasized that this conference was more than just an academic forum. “This is the second time UNHAS has hosted this conference, after the first in 2019. We hope it will not only be a platform to present research findings but also a way for researchers to make the world a better place—developing sustainable and healthy cities not only in developed countries but also in developing nations and across Asia,” she said.

In addition to research presentations, the conference provided opportunities for young Indonesian researchers to expand their international networks. By bringing together experts from various countries, the discussions were expected to produce strategies applicable at both local and global levels.

This year, the IACSC Conference focused on three main areas: urban, environment, and health. These issues were addressed through presentations, panel discussions, and the formulation of recommendations for the future development of sustainable cities. Keynote speakers included Makassar Mayor Munafri Arifuddin, S.H., UNHAS Secretary Prof. Sumbangan Baja, and a representative from Vietnam National University (VNU) Dr. Le Thanh Hoa. In addition to the keynote speeches, there were three panelists—two from UNHAS Prof. Sukri Palutturi. S.KM., M.Kes.M.sc.PH., Ph.D, and Dr. Eng. Ir. Irwan Ridwan Rahim, S.T., M.T as well as Dr. Fernando Garcia Jr. from the Philippines.

Participants discussed various challenges, from waste management, air pollution, and eco-friendly urban planning to strengthening public health systems in urban areas. Innovations arising from academic research were expected to provide concrete solutions to increasingly complex urban problems.



The IACSC Conference is not only a scientific forum but also a strategic platform for fostering international cooperation. Through this event, UNHAS demonstrated their leadership in driving collaborative efforts toward sustainable development. As part of the conference, the IACSC General Assembly convened with the participation of consortium leaders from member universities. The gathering served as an important platform to strengthen networks, exchange perspectives, and reaffirm the consortium's shared commitment to advancing sustainable city initiatives.

One of the key agenda items was the consortium's strategic plan for the next two years, which included a discussion on the membership fee structure. Two options were proposed: members could either contribute USD 500 annually or pay USD 1,000 once every two years. This discussion aimed to ensure sustainable financial support for consortium activities while accommodating the varying capacities of member institutions. The Assembly also reviewed collaborative priorities in education, research, and community engagement to address pressing urban challenges. At the close of the session, Vietnam National University was officially announced as the host of the 17th IACSC, which will take place in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam.

As the next host, a representative of Vietnam National University (VNU) was invited to take the stage and deliver a message, warmly inviting members to participate in the 17th IACSC in Ho Chi Minh City. The event also provided networking sessions, allowing members to showcase their universities and offering participants the opportunity to learn more about each institution. In parallel, participating students from member universities conducted a reflection session on the International Cultural Program (ICP), which was the integration of the Sustainable Urban Development Program (SUDP) and the International Urban Planning Workshop (IUPW) organized by the Department of Urban Planning, Faculty of Engineering (FT), UNHAS. The IUPW and SUDP served as key platforms for student mobility, enabling participants to engage in cross-cultural learning and collaborative projects. The conference concluded with the announcement of the best speakers from nine parallel rooms, followed by the presentation of certificates to all speakers.





UNHAS WELCOMES YOKOHAMA CITY UNIVERSITY TO STRENGTHEN ACADEMIC COLLABORATION



The International Office (IO) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) welcomed representatives from Yokohama City University (YCU), Yves Gendron and Yoshiko Ebisu from the YCU Global Engagement Office, on Tuesday, 5 August 2025, in the IO Meeting Room. The visit began with a Tour of the IO in which Muhammad Ridwan (IO secretary) took the representatives to see images of IO activities in 2024.

The delegation was warmly received by Andi Masyitha Irwan, Ph.D., Head of IO, accompanied by other IO staff. The meeting focused on exploring opportunities for student exchanges between the two institutions. Mr. Yves presented a list of courses available for UNHAS students who wish to join the exchange program at YCU.

This information proved especially valuable, as participation in the exchange program has so far been limited to Nursing students. With the new opportunities discussed, the potential to involve students from various fields has become a promising prospect. The discussion was highly productive, opening doors for broader implementation of the cooperation agreement between UNHAS and YCU. The visit concluded with a photo session to commemorate the occasion.



UNHAS IO KICKS OFF PREPARATIONS FOR 3RD INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS FESTIVAL



As September approaches, the International Office (IO) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) has begun preparations for the 3rd International Students Festival (ISF). Similar to last year's event, the 3rd ISF will be part of the UNHAS Anniversary celebrations, providing a platform for international students to showcase their home countries to the wider UNHAS academic community. A preparation meeting was held on Monday, 11 August 2025 in the IO Meeting Room. Led by Haniek Khoirunnissa, M.Sc., the session was attended by the IO Squad Team and several Student Volunteers (Stuvo). The discussion began with strategies to contact international students personally, encouraging those interested to take part in this year's festival.

The meeting also covered the involvement of the six UNHAS Corners—German, Korean, Japan, Mandarin, Warung Perancis, and Aussie Banget Corner—inviting them to participate in the cultural showcase. In addition, the committee explored opportunities to collaborate with foreign embassies in Jakarta to support their students at UNHAS in preparing their booths for the festival. Other topics included engaging educational agents in Makassar to join the event and promote study-abroad opportunities for UNHAS students. The meeting concluded with an agreement to immediately contact all relevant parties to ensure their participation in the 3rd ISF, setting the stage for a vibrant and diverse celebration.



INTERNATIONAL OFFICE HIGHLIGHTS GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT ON UNHAS DAY



UNHAS Day (UD) is an annual event organized by the Directorate of Student Affairs, Hasanuddin University (UNHAS). This year, the event took place at the UNHAS Sport Center, JK Arenatorium, on Saturday, 4 August 2025, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. As in previous years, UD served as a platform to introduce various student unions and clubs such as arts, sports, and reasoning. In addition, the Directorate also introduced several university units that provide essential services and benefits for students throughout their studies at UNHAS.

The International Office (IO) actively participated in the event to promote the university's internationalization program to new students. The IO presented information on its international programs, highlighted opportunities for student involvement, and introduced several international students who are currently studying at UNHAS. Through this initiative, new students were encouraged to explore global engagement and academic collaboration opportunities during their studies.

To add a cultural dimension, the IO booth showcased culinary and beverage specialties from India and Yemen, drawing attention and appreciation from participants. Additionally, visitors could also find displays featuring the IO Squad Team, IO Student Volunteers (Stuvo), and visual materials that captured the office's activities and achievements.

Through its participation in UNHAS Day 2025, the IO reinforced the importance of international exposure for students and emphasized its role in supporting UNHAS's vision of becoming a globally recognized institution.





NEARLY 100 STUDENTS JOIN STUVO BATCH 4 RECRUITMENT AT UNHAS



The International Office (IO) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) recently held the interview session for Student Volunteer (Stuvo) Batch 4 applicants on Sunday, 17 August 2025, at the IO Meeting Room. This recruitment attracted nearly 100 enthusiastic students who share a strong passion for internationalization engagement and supporting UNHAS' global initiatives.

The interview panel consisted of prominent IO leaders and staff, including Andi Masyitha Irwan, Ph.D. (Head of IO), Muhammad Ridwan, M.A. (Secretary of IO), Khaeruddin, Ph.D., and Haniek Khoirunnissa, M.Sc. (IO Task Force Members). They were accompanied by Kumara Tungga Dewa, S.S., and Cahya Aulia Ramadhani, S.I.Kom. (IO Staff), who collectively assessed the candidates' motivation, communication skills, and potential contribution to the program.

This stage marked another important step in the recruitment process, which was officially opened from mid-July to mid-August. Applicants who pass the interview will officially join as volunteers. To ensure commitment and active participation, the IO has established a regulation that any volunteer who remains inactive for two consecutive months will be suspended from the program. This policy is intended to maintain the consistency and dedication of the volunteer team throughout their one-year service.

Once selected, the Stuvo will be actively involved in a wide range of international activities organized by the IO. These include International Student Orientation, International Student Festival, International Student Gathering, Geography Series, and other initiatives that foster cross-cultural exchange and strengthen UNHAS' internationalization agenda.







GLOBAL SPIRIT MEETS NATIONAL PRIDE AT INDONESIA'S 80TH INDEPENDENCE DAY



To commemorate the vibrant moment of Indonesia's 80th Independence Day, the International Office (IO) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) once again involved their international students in the flag-hoisting ceremony. The event took place on Sunday, 17 August 2025, at the Student Activity Center Basketball Arena, where participants gathered to honor the nation's historic milestone.

International students from Syria, Pakistan, Madagascar, Nigeria, and India joined the celebration, proudly wearing their traditional attire. Their presence brought a colorful and unique atmosphere to the ceremony, standing out among other participants while symbolizing diversity and inclusivity at UNHAS.

Beyond participation, the involvement of international students served as a form of soft diplomacy, fostering mutual understanding and cultural exchange. Through this meaningful experience, they gained firsthand insight into how Indonesians celebrate their Independence Day, strengthening the bond between the local and international academic community.



PROMOTING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE: UNHAS AT IPEKA UNIVERSITY EXPO



The International Office (IO) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS), together with the Public Relations and Promotion Unit as well as the UNHAS Admission Office, were invited to participate in the IPEKA University Expo (IVERSE). The event was held on Friday–Saturday, 5–6 August 2025, at IPEKA Christian School, located in the Center Point of Indonesia (CPI), Makassar City. IVERSE served as a platform for numerous private universities from both Indonesia and abroad to present their strengths and achievements in front of IPEKA students. UNHAS was the only local public university invited to this prestigious event.

In addition to promoting their universities at designated booths, all exhibitors were required to deliver presentations highlighting their excellence. Representing UNHAS were Muhammad Ridwan, M.A., Secretary of IO, and Nurul Ichsani, M.Si., Head of the Admission Office. The UNHAS presentation was scheduled for four sessions on Friday, running from morning until just before Friday prayers. On Saturday, UNHAS continued to participate by promoting the campus through its booth, though no further presentation sessions were held.

The two-day expo concluded with an appreciation session from IPEKA, which expressed its gratitude to all participating universities. Tokens of appreciation and merchandise were handed over as a gesture of thanks. Through this event, UNHAS not only strengthened its visibility among prospective students but also reaffirmed its position as a leading public university committed to internationalization and academic excellence.



HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY PARTICIPATES AS SPEAKER IN THE SOCIALIZATION OF BRIDGING VISA SERVICES FOR FOREIGNERS



Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) played an active role as both participant and speaker in the Socialization of Visit Stay Permit Services for Bridging Visas, held on Thursday, 21 August 2025, at the Four Points by Sheraton Hotel, Makassar. UNHAS was invited because of its significant responsibility in managing a growing number of international students and researchers, making the university a key partner in discussions on academic and immigration services. The delegation included International Office officials—Dra. Harniati, Saaduddin, Ph.D., Cahya Aulia Ramdhani A. R, S.I.Kom, as well as 10 international students.

Representing UNHAS as a speaker, Saaduddin, Ph.D (International Office Task Force for International Students and Visa Services) presented Integration of Academic and Immigration Services: Management of International Students and Researchers and Immigration Support at Hasanuddin University. In his talk, he outlined the university's experiences in supporting international students with visa services, highlighted challenges in aligning academic and immigration procedures, and stressed the importance of stronger collaboration between universities and immigration authorities.

The event itself was hosted by the Directorate General of Immigration, Ministry of Immigration and Corrections of the Republic of Indonesia, and officially opened by Friece Sumolang, S.H., M.H., Head of the Regional Office of the Directorate General of Immigration of South Sulawesi. It gathered around 50 participants, including representatives of university International Offices, international students, and foreign workers. Other speakers included Raden Fajar Jaya Wicaksono, Amd.Im., S.E., M.M. (Head of the Transitional Visit Stay Permit Team), Benyamin Budianto Turupadang, S.STP., M.Si. (Secretary of the Makassar City Tourism Office), and Juniadi Sri Priambudi, S.E., M.Si. (Head of the Status Change and Transitional Visit Stay Permit Review Team).

The socialization of bridging visa services provided a significant breakthrough for prospective international students and researchers at UNHAS. With this scheme, those entering Indonesia initially on a Visa on Arrival (VoA) may transition to a bridging visa before applying for the appropriate residence permit, such as a student visa or research visa. This mechanism is expected to strengthen the internationalization agenda of UNHAS, while also contributing to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly Goal 17 (Partnerships for the Goals), by enhancing international partnerships and collaborations.



UNHAS COLLABORATES WITH EDITAGE TO BOOST GLOBAL VISIBILITY OF SDGS INITIATIVES



The Directorate of Reputation at Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) held a coordination meeting to address the development and promotion of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) at the university level. The meeting took place on Friday, 22 August 2025, in the Reputation Meeting Room, and was chaired by Prof. Rohani Ambo Rappe, Head of UNHAS Reputation. Participants included the UNHAS Reputation Team, the International Office (IO), the Publication Management Center (PMC), and the Editage Team, which joined online.

The main agenda focused on managing and documenting SDGs-related activities conducted by the UNHAS academic community. It was emphasized that these activities need to be properly recorded and distributed through broader international platforms, such as global online newspapers and magazines. Strengthening this global outreach is expected to positively impact UNHAS's future standing, particularly in international rankings like THE Impact.

In addition, the meeting also discussed the upcoming visit of the Editage Team to UNHAS. This visit will provide an opportunity for Editage to meet with university leaders, gain deeper insights into UNHAS's vision and initiatives, and further explore collaboration in promoting the university's contributions toward achieving the SDGs.



FGD TO FINALISE SPECIAL REPORT OF INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL PROGRAM AT UNHAS



The International Office (IO), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) recently held a Focus Group Discussion (FGD) to finalize the special report of the 8th International Cultural Program (ICP). The ICP took place from late July to early August 2025 and was participated in by 55 students from 25 countries worldwide. The FGD took place at UNHAS Secretary Meeting Room, Rectorate Building 5th Floor on Monday, 25 August 2025.

The FGD was led by Dr. Andi Masyitha Irwan, Head of IO, who is fondly known as Ms. Citha. Attended by the entire IO team, including task forces and administrative staff, the discussion aimed to complete and refine the special report. According to Dr. Masyitha, this report will serve as a platform for students to submit their activities, which in turn can be recognized as academic credits.

In his remarks, UNHAS Secretary Prof. Sumbangan Baja, M.Phil. expressed his appreciation for the success of this year's ICP, noting that it reflects the smooth implementation of UNHAS' internationalization programs. He also emphasized the importance of disseminating IO activities widely through the university's official website and promptly instructed the web management team to facilitate IO staff in publishing their updates online.

The FGD concluded with participants finalizing their respective sections of the report. This step marked the closing phase of the 8th ICP, ensuring that the outcomes of the flagship program will be well-documented and beneficial for both the students and the university's internationalization agenda.



16 STUDENTS JOIN IO UNHAS AS BATCH 4 STUVO



The International Office (IO), Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) officially welcomed the fourth batch of Student Volunteers (Stuvo) on 25 August 2025. A total of 16 selected students will dedicate one year of service as IO volunteers, supporting the university's internationalization programs. The welcome ceremony took place at the IO Meeting Room, moderated by Muhammad Ridwan, IO Secretary. The session began with mutual introductions, starting from the IO squad team, followed by each Stuvo who shared their name and faculty.

The event continued with an overview of IO's direction and policies, presented by Dr. Andi Masyitha Irwan, Head of IO. She outlined updated regulations for student volunteers. The presentation also introduced Stuvo to IO's key functions, such as budgeting, program planning, and handling immigration matters for international students.

As the final agenda, the 16 Stuvos signed their official Statement Letter, confirming their one-year commitment to contribute to IO activities. This moment marked not only the beginning of their service but also their role in strengthening UNHAS' global engagement through volunteerism and international collaboration.



PRE-ARRIVAL ORIENTATION FOR UNHAS-KU SUMMER PROGRAM 2025 PARTICIPANTS



The International Office (IO) of Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) successfully conducted the Pre-Arrival Orientation (PAO) for the Hasanuddin University-Kanazawa University (UNHAS-KU) Summer Program 2025 on 26 August 2025 on Zoom Meeting. The event was attended by the Regent of Bantaeng, Muhammad Fathul Fauzy Nurdin, together with officials from the Bantaeng Regency Government, including representatives from the Department of Agriculture, Department of Health, Department of Marine Affairs, and Department of Education.

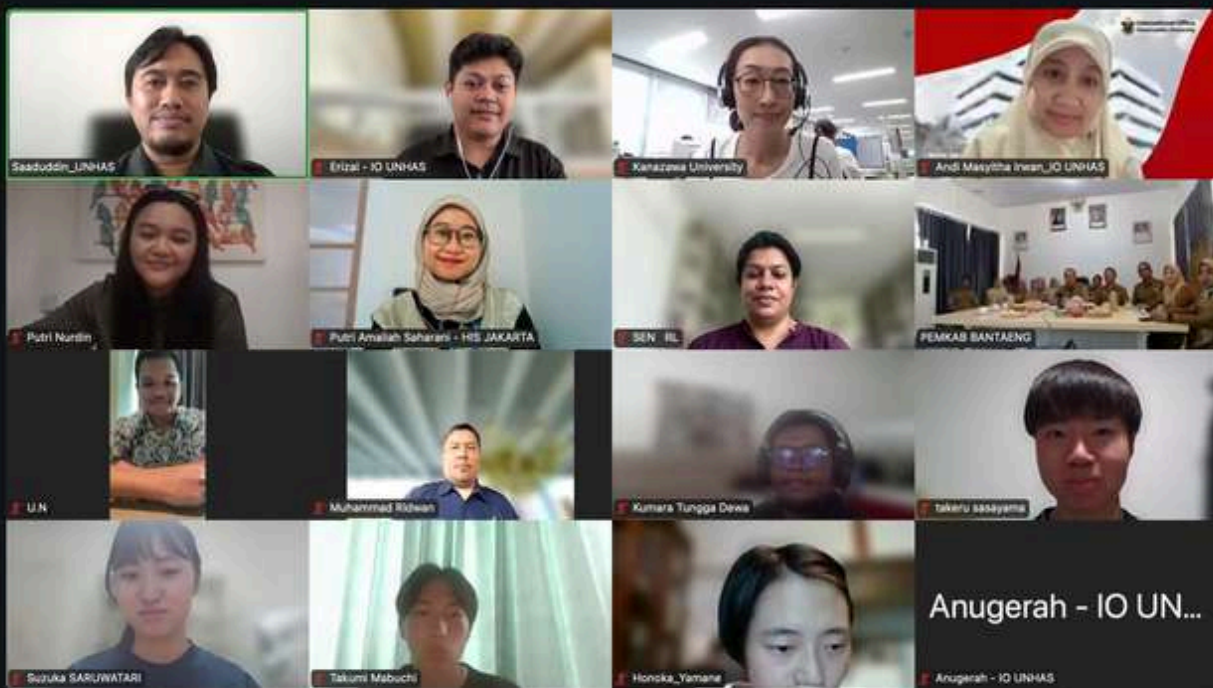
Also in attendance were eight participants from Kanazawa University, Japan, who will take part in the UNHAS-KU Summer Program, as well as the full UNHAS IO staff team.

The orientation was officially opened by Andi Masyitha Irwan, S.Kep., Ns., MAN, Ph.D., Head of the IO UNHAS and an alumna of Kanazawa University. In her remarks, she emphasized the importance of the Pre-Arrival Orientation as a mandatory activity designed to prepare inbound participants for their academic and cultural experiences at UNHAS.

Following this, Regent Muhammad Fathul Fauzy Nurdin delivered his welcoming address, expressing his readiness to host and support the UNHAS-KU participants during their upcoming visit to Bantaeng. He reaffirmed the government's commitment to actively assist and ensure the success of the program.

The session continued with a presentation by the Person-in-Charge (PIC) of UNHAS-KU Summer Program 2025, Saaduddin, Ph.D., who provided an overview of the program. His presentation covered the schedule of activities, key preparations, and essential information on what participants need to bring and be aware of prior to their arrival.

The PAO served as an initial platform for participants to gain a comprehensive understanding of the program and to better prepare themselves before officially joining UNHAS.





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