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Improving Quality and Capacity for Educational Development

National Education Day (Hardiknas) was once again commemorated by the academic community of Universitas Airlangga in the yard of Management Office Campus C on Thursday, May 2. UN-AIR Rector Prof. Dr. Mohammad Nasih, SE., MT., Ak., CMA., made a speech on the responsibilities and obligations borne by every element of the nation to advance education.

The University as one of the important components in realizing educational development needs inter-element synergy in it. The best education fulfillment is determined by mutual hard work in each field. "At UNAIR, all of the university's components must make a commitment and bear responsibilities to advance education. Therefore, let us improve our capacity and quality," he said.

New Insights from IICC 2019



Indah Azhari (far left) with the International Islamic Cultural Connect Global Youth Muslim Exchange Delegation.

Indah Azhari, an undergraduate of Nursing bachelor program at Faculty of Nursing (FKp) Universitas Airlangga (UNAIR) from the class of 2016, became the University's delegate for the International Islamic Cultural Connect Global Youth Muslim Exchange (IICC) Program from Saturday, April 11 to Monday, April 13 in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

During the IICC Program, the participants had a chance to visit Kolej Universiti Islam Antarabangsa Selangor (KUIS), Global Halal Support Center, the Gallery of Bank Negara Malaysia, Putra Mosque, Asy-Syakirin Mosque, KLCC, and Petronas Twin Tower. The most memorable memories for Indah were of interacting with the students at KUIS and Global Halal Support Center.

"I've gained new insights on Islam, including on the strict supervision of the distribution process in exporting halal food, not only from the food composition aspect but even the hygiene of the vehicles used for distribution. Halalan-Thoyyiban means more than mere halal, it is also thoyyib (good)," she said.

The Faculty of Vocational Studies

Collaborates with Chinese Institutions



The signed MoU handover by the Dean of International College, Suzhou Vocational University to the Vice Dean 1 of the Faculty of Vocational Studies Prof. Dr. Retna Apsari, M.Si (left)

The Faculty of Vocational Studies Universitas Airlangga has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with as many as six institutions in China. The cooperation will take the form of academic program collaboration. The MoU signing was held at Suzhou Vocational University.

The six institutions are Suzhou Vocational University, Zhejiang Business Technology Institute, Jiangsu Agri-Animal Husbandry Vocational College, Jiangsu Vocational Institute of Architectural Technology, Jiangsu Vocational College of Information Technology and International Cultural Communication Center (IICC).

On this occasion, the Faculty of Vocational Studies UNAIR delegation was represented by Prof. Dr. Retna Apsari, M.Si., as the Vice Dean 1. Prof. Retna said that this cooperation is a part of the commitment and effort the faculty makes in terms of program internationalization. "Vocational studies must adapt to the real needs in the society. This cooperation will make it come true," Prof. Ratna explained. (*)



A Conference and Reunion in Germany

PROF. Dr. Nyoman Tri Puspaningsih, M.Si., (second from the left) with the conference participants Dr. Holger Bengs (in a navy blue suit), Dr. Gunter Eerdegens (black jacket), and Prof. Dr. Annegret Stark at the workshop on Sunday, May 5

Universitas Airlangga keeps on increasing its participation in various international scientific forums. On one recent occasion Prof. Dr. Nyoman Tri Puspaningsih, M.Si., a lecturer at the Faculty of Science and Technology (FST) UNAIR, had a chance to attend the 4th Green & Sustainable Chemistry Conference in Dresden, Germany. In the conference, which was held from May 5 to 8, she elaborated her research on the processing of agricultural waste biomass.

“My presentation was titled Research-Based Learning on Biomass Acting Enzymes to Develop Human Resources for Green Technology Competency in ASEAN Countries,” Prof. Nyoman said.

According to Prof. Nyoman, the processing of agricultural waste biomass has the potential for generating more useful natural com-

ponents, namely organic fertilizer, animal feed, and recycled paper. Before turning into natural components, the biomass processing will have to undergo a degradation process using an enzyme called excelzyme.

As the Executive Director of Airlangga Global Engagement (AGE), Prof. Nyoman made the most of the conference in Germany as a momentum to promote Academic Mobility Exchange for Undergraduate at Airlangga (AMERTA), an international lecture program that lasts for one semester and is attended by local and foreign students.

“The team and I also took time to arrange a reunion with AMERTA students from Germany. We expect them to be ambassadors in promoting UNAIR international programs,” she added. (*)

A Glorious Contribution UNAIR Alumni Make

Universitas Airlangga (UNAIR) has a large number of alumni who have made a glorious contribution whether at a national or international scale.

Several alumni hold the position of a minister in this republic, for example, Ignasius Jonan (Minister of Energy and Mineral Resources) and Muhadjir Effendy (Minister of Education and Culture).

There is also Khofifah Indar Parawansa, the Governor of East Java. Many more become leaders, businessmen, doctors, academics, even cross-field activists and scientists who have dedicated themselves to society and had considerable merit.

One of the alumni who now take part in the business world is the CEO of IjadFarm M. Ali Irsyad, S.Ikom, Cht. On 11 May 2019, Center for Career and Entrepreneurship Development (PPKK) invited Irsyad to be a speaker in an Entrepreneurship Seminar on the 2nd floor, Tandjung Adiwinata Room, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine (FKH), UNAIR.

On the occasion, Irsyad said that the most vulnerable problem for millennials is laziness. “Therefore, don’t be lazy to learn and set your priorities straight early on. They are the key to success,” he said.

Meanwhile, Evita Febrianti Syahputri or Pepy, an alumna of Faculty of Economics and Business (FEB) who graduated in March, has been a successful beauty influencer, vlogger, and author. She is a hit on YouTube and her Instagram account @pepyyy98 has 22.6 thousand followers. In May 2017 she published her first book, *Ku Baitkan Rindu ke Sajak Tujuh Puluh*, and is currently finishing the publishing process of her third. (*)



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