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300+
 total paying
 AIYA members


120+
 events organised
 accross AIYA chapters


3,300+
 weekly mail links
 subscribers


15,000+
 monthly average
 website clicks


8,500+
 Facebook page likes


350+
 Instagram followers


2,000+
 Twitter followers


400+
 LinkedIn followers

*Statistics based on AIYA National's Social Media

President's Welcome



The extended [AIYA](#) team has had an incredibly busy year and it is a privilege to see the growth and success of our various activities and initiatives. Amid the constant stream of social media updates from [AIYA's](#) various chapters and initiatives, it is easy to miss some of the fantastic things going on and the variety of innovative ways that Australian and Indonesian youth are working together to strengthen the ties between our two countries. This inaugural edition of the [AIYA Annual](#) showcases all of the exciting activities that have taken place in 2016. [AIYA](#) strives to connect, inform and inspire young people to engage in the bilateral relationship, and to provide opportunities to learn about both countries' history, culture and current affairs.

The past 12 months have seen many achievements by [AIYA](#). To name a few:

- now in its second year, we expanded the National Australia Indonesia Language Awards (NAILA), with new categories and better targeting to schools as part of our mission to encourage proficiency in Bahasa Indonesia
- we strengthened our partnerships with the Australia-Indonesia Institute and the Australia-Indonesia Centre, among many other like-minded organisations
- we collaborated with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) on bilateral youth-focused programs, including Next Door Land, Modcon Digital Art Competition and the Australia-Indonesia Science Symposium
- we launched our Jawa Barat chapter, reflecting the growing number of Australians studying and working in Bandung and of Indonesians with an interest in Australia
- we surveyed our members to hear their thoughts on what issues are most important to young people engaged in the bilateral relationship
- introduced an online membership platform
- we grew our fantastic team of communications officers, who have boosted [AIYA's](#) social media presence and built up the [AIYA](#) blog - which has now published over 500 posts!

The [AIYA](#) team is dedicated to improving cultural understanding between the people of Australia and Indonesia and it is an honour to be part of such a passionate and driven group of people. The Chapter Presidents and their committees continue to impress with their wide range of activities, and none of it would be possible without the commitment of these wonderful volunteers. I would like to extend my gratitude and congratulations to all those involved with [AIYA](#) in 2016.

[AIYA](#) has some big things in store for 2017 and we can't wait to continue to share our events and initiatives with you all!

Salam semangat,
Nicholas Mark

AIYA National Executive Committee



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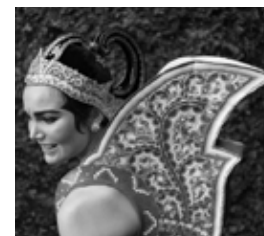
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Message from Ambassador Grigson



Indonesia and Australia have no greater asset than the young people of both countries. Our closest neighbour is in many ways a young country - with half its population under the age of 30 – and a natural draw to Australians exploring their region and wanting to experience and understand the youth of other countries and cultures.

The overwhelming balance of people-to-people links between our countries rests with young people; through the almost 19,000 Indonesian enrolments in Australian universities and colleges, the more than 2000 New Colombo Plan students who have come to Indonesia over the past two years, as well as youth exchange programs such as AIYEP, the Muslim exchange and ACICIS, AVID volunteers and the school-based BRIDGE program. I have also established an internship program to encourage graduates from both countries to work in Australia's largest embassy, in Jakarta.

The Australia Indonesia Youth Association is a standard bearer in inspiring and connecting young people in both countries. Its annual Bahasa Indonesia language competition has become a prestigious platform, and a great motivation for Australians to master Indonesian. This is why we are pleased to continue to support AIYA through the Australia Indonesia Institute of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

*Paul Grigson
Australia's Ambassador to Indonesia*

Message from Ambassador Nadjib



I would like to acknowledge AIYA's outstanding contributions and dedication to the greater understanding and closer friendship between young Indonesians and Australians. The publication of the AIYA Annual is another excellent testament to the work of AIYA to help inject positive energy for the betterment of our two great nations' ties.

The work AIYA has been undertaking reflects the true spirit of cooperation and goodwill amongst our young people. Since its inception, I note that AIYA has contributed a lot to bolstering more robust relations between the young people of Indonesia and Australia in many sectors, ranging from business to culture to language. It is not surprising that AIYA's tremendous initiatives give me confidence that the increasingly intertwined future of the Indonesia-Australia relationship is in good hands. We indeed need contribution and action at every level, ranging from government officials to businessmen to young people like AIYA.

Thank you for being great friends of Indonesia. The Indonesian Embassy is also more than happy to continue supporting AIYA.

Terima kasih.

*Nadjib Riphath Kesoema
Indonesia's Ambassador to Australia*

The Year in Bilateral Relations

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The past year in the Australia-Indonesia relationship saw all the classic themes of our partnership: big promises and many fingers crossed for the future, with the sheen slightly worn by the reality that domestic politics and residual friction points in both countries still frustrate the task of building on what has already been achieved.

A prelude to the relationship in 2016 was, of course, the successful visit of newly-installed Australian Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull to Jakarta in November 2015, cementing a recent tradition of Australian leaders making Jakarta their first overseas visit (how's that for symbolising the importance of Jakarta to Australia's foreign policy calculus?) The Prime Minister's trip was almost universally seen as kicking off a 'reboot' in the leader-to-leader relationship after an unusually troubled few years under Turnbull's predecessor, Tony Abbott. The imagery from the visit was a dream for political handlers, with the Prime Minister accompanying President Jokowi on a signature blusukan amid cheering crowds.

The substance was always going to struggle to keep up with that symbolism. But throughout the year we have seen how stability in government-to-government relations pays dividends.

Talks have resumed on negotiating the Australia-Indonesia Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement. The 2016 Defence White Paper highlighted the importance of Indonesia to Australia's strategic outlook, and defence cooperation is back on track after some tough times between 2013 and 2015.

Less than two years after the Bali Nine executions prompted the recall of Australia's ambassador, President Jokowi was set to make an official visit to Australia, where he would be afforded the rare honour of addressing the Australian Parliament. It served to remind that bad times never last, and that the default position of the bilateral relationship is fundamentally cooperative and pragmatic. Jokowi might have taken umbrage at Australian lobbying efforts on behalf of Chan and Sukumaran, but he sees Australia as a source of investment that is worth getting along with. The fact that the trip did not eventuate after Jokowi was distracted by domestic political turbulence reminds us of the elephant in the room: that no matter the rhetoric on both sides about the value of the bilateral partnership, Indonesian and Australian leaders alike know where their priorities lie if there are bigger fish to fry at home.



Amid this, people to people ties are arguably the success story of 2016. Just the last few months of has seen the success of the second Indonesia-based CAUSINDY, the second National Australia Indonesia Language Awards (NAILA) boosting Australian schoolkids and young professionals' interest in Bahasa Indonesia, the Australia-Indonesia Business Week suite of events in Perth, and the recent Australia Indonesia Science Symposium in Canberra.

As the year draws to a close, we can't ignore the possible effect on the Australia-Indonesia relationship of the arrival of President Trump in the White House in 2017. There are serious doubts about Trump's willingness or ability to constructively engage in Southeast Asia, including with Indonesia. At the same time, Australia's position as a champion of America's presence in the region may see some interesting dynamics develop. Will Australia's enthusiasm for keeping America tuned in to the region be at odds with Indonesia, if some of its neighbours' scepticism about the usefulness of US engagement spreads to Jakarta? Some in Australia say this will inevitably be the case. Expect, then, anxiety about the state of the Indonesia relationship to be prominent in debates about whether Australia should, as former prime minister Paul Keating put it, be able to 'make our way in Asia ourselves'.

Be prepared for 2017. For better or worse, the big issues of international politics may be about to make a comeback as key drivers of how Australia and Indonesia do business with one another.

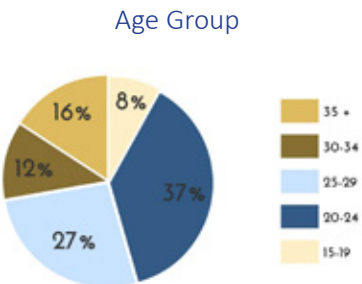
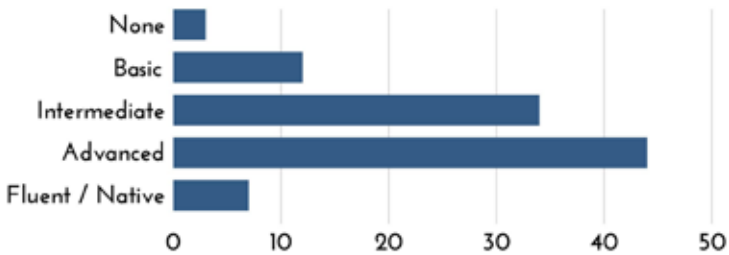
AIYA Survey Wrap-Up

AIYA regularly conducts a survey of our members to see how their views on the relationship are changing, and to get their views on the most important issues that affect Australia-Indonesia bilateral ties. We held our 2016 survey in March-April, attracting close to 500 respondents, with the number of Australians and Indonesians roughly equal.

Our 2016 survey respondents hailed from all around Australia and Indonesia, with 70% aged 20-35. 45% are employed and 40% are undertaking tertiary studies. We also had our highest-ever number of high schoolers take the survey. While only 3.5% of our respondents, it's encouraging to see their engagement - after all, they are our future members! Of those respondents in the workforce, many were from the fields of education and training and public administration.

Most survey respondents have some proficiency in both English and Bahasa Indonesia. 84% of Indonesians self-assessed themselves as having either 'intermediate' or 'advanced' level of English, with Australians responding in similar proportions in relation to their Indonesian skills.

Self Assessment of Australian Respondents' Bahasa Indonesia Ability



Other key findings from the survey include:

Australian and Indonesian respondents view that the Australian government is handling its relationship with Indonesia increasingly well

In our 2014 survey, Australian respondents in particular viewed that Australia was doing a poor job of managing its relationship with Indonesia. In 2016, there was a significantly increased view that the government-to-government relationship is going well, with Indonesian respondents particularly positive.

Lack of cross-cultural understanding is the greatest impediment to our relationship...

... particularly according to our Australian respondents. This shows the importance of focusing on people-to-people issues such as cross-cultural understanding, and working hard to counter problems like mistrust and racism.

Indonesian and Australian respondents agree that education is the most important element of the bilateral relationship

Education came in as the issue of greatest importance, followed by government-to-government relations, and economic and business engagement. Issues such as environmental management and transnational crime were seen as lower priorities.

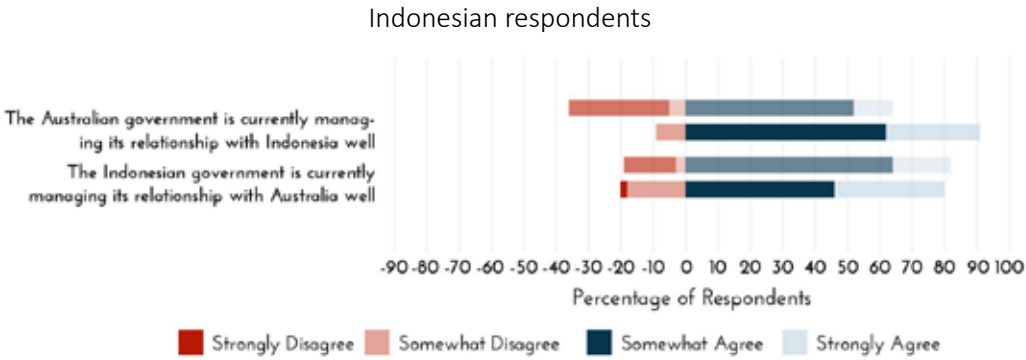
Young Australians and Indonesians believe government funding for in-country study programs is the best way to bring our two countries together

Survey respondents rated this as a better option than other suggested policies, including more flexible visa arrangements and providing funding for young people to undertake internships in Australian and Indonesian organisations.

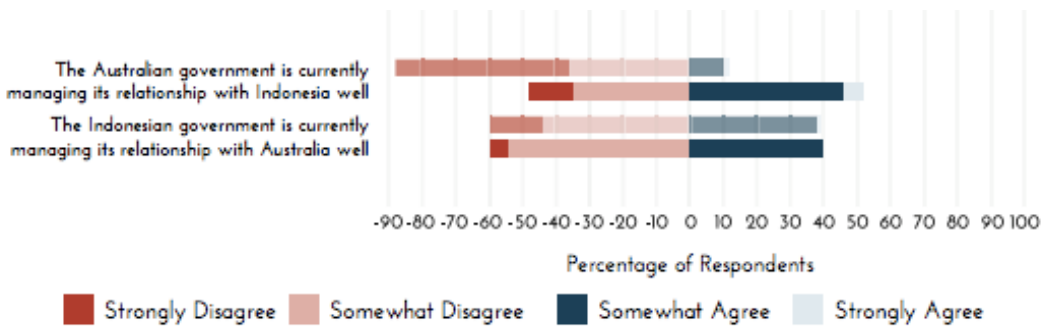
AIYA members demonstrated broad support for the New Colombo Plan, Australia Awards and Darmasiswa education initiatives

As the survey showed, AIYA members see education as paramount to good bilateral relations. While they have some reservations about scholarship programs, including the amount of per-student funding available, our respondents see these initiatives as a way to build cultural and linguistic connections and increase youth engagement between our two communities.

Improvement in the G-2-G Relationship: 2014 (Upper Row) vs 2016 (Lower Row)



Australian respondents



2016 BLOG HIGHLIGHTS

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She is the International Media Consultant for Ubud Writers & Readers Festival and Ubud Food Festival.

[The AIYA Blog](#) maintained a steady stream of varied content in 2016, from entertaining AIYA event wrap-ups, to the formative experiences of young Indonesians in Australia and vice versa, to stirring stories of resilience. The Blog editors strove to feature a satisfying and informative mix of articles covering educational and professional in-country opportunities, cultural events and personal reflections, with as many stories in Indonesian as possible.

Below is a handful of standout stories for 2016, selected not only for their high page views but also due to their unique edge.

Many readers were deeply moved by the remarkable story of [Ni Komang Santi](#) who, with unshakeable determination and spirit, transformed her life of poverty into professional success. Be prepared to shed a tear and be inspired by her extraordinary courage, humility and grace.

The bilateral relationship saw its first major foray into gamification with Next Door Land, DFAT's engaging and entertaining educational app which traverses Indonesia and Australia. We ran a trio of pieces on the ground-breaking app: a recap of [the talk show-style launch](#); a Q&A with the game's developers Bandung-based [Agate Studio](#); and a Q&A with Aaron O'Shannessy of the Asia Education Foundation, who gave us an insight into the game's digital diplomacy.

2016 saw the inaugural ReelOzInd! Australia and Indonesia Short Film Competition and Festival prove why short film is a great medium to raise awareness and expand cross-cultural understanding. The Blog ran a series of ReelOzInd! interviews: with event organiser and esteemed Indonesia-

watcher [Jemma Purdey](#); with [Dery Prananda](#), winner of Best Fiction and Best Film; and with [Jospehine Lie](#), winner of Best Collaboration.

As the Jobs and Opportunities page of the AIYA website is one of the site's most popular, it's no surprise that a big Blog favourite in 2016 was Albert Christian Soewongsono's [two-part article](#) detailing his top tips and tricks for applying for the LPDP scholarship.

The Australian Embassy in Jakarta showed how attuned it is to youth in the bilateral relationship by launching the digital art competition ModCon. The AIYA Blog editors were deeply impressed by the artwork, and interview responses, of Indonesian winner [Anisa Shabrina Yunus](#).

The city of Perth was infused with splashes of batik and the scent of clove during Australia Indonesia Business Week in November. AIYA WA Chapter Secretary David Scholefield composed a [lively wrap-up](#) of the exciting and dynamic event.

Feeling inspired? Get involved!

If you have a passion for writing and would like to share helpful insights with fellow Australian and Indonesian youth, then [please get in touch](#). We highly value contributions focusing on educational and professional experiences and opportunities, because we know that's what many of you want to read most on the AIYA website. We're open to ideas and suggestions – the emphasis is on producing content that is relevant and interesting for the bilateral audience. If you're intrigued, read our [Writing for AIYA Guide](#) and get in touch.

Thank you all for your support of the AIYA Blog throughout 2016, and we hope to be publishing your pieces in 2017!



NAILA UPDATE



What is NAILA?

The National Australia Indonesia Language Awards, an AIYA initiative, is an annual competition that rewards and fosters the development of Indonesian language learning in Australia. It is the first language competition of its kind bringing together speakers of all different age groups and backgrounds to enable them to learn, network and mentor one another.

NAILA's mission is to incentivise language learning and reward high-level proficiency to encourage deeper communication, respect and understanding between our two nations. The program provides entrants an opportunity to: showcase their language skills; discuss bilateral issues; and share traditional arts, culture and musical performances with the public.

NAILA in 2016

Building on from the 2015 inaugural competition, this year NAILA received a record 85 high quality video entries from across all states and territories of Australia, as well as from Australians residing in Indonesia and Indonesian nationals studying in Australia.

The theme of this year's competition is 'Masa Depan (Kita)' meaning 'Our Future' or 'The Future.' Entries ranged from primary and secondary school students explaining the reasons why they aspire to pursue careers in forensic science, law, and marine biology to original poetry, dance and musical performances, karate and cooking demonstrations. Check out the [2016 Entries Highlights Reel](#).

Awards Weekend

NAILA celebrated its second year with an Awards ceremony and networking weekend in Melbourne on 14-15 October. The Awards night held at Allens' Melbourne office was attended by 150 guests including His Excellency Mr Nadjib Riphath Kesoema, Indonesian Ambassador to Australia, Consul-General Ibu Dewi Savitri Wahab, and Ms Julie Barber, Chief Marketing Officer, Allens.

His Excellency General the Hon David Hurley AC DSC (Ret'd), Governor of New South Wales sent his congratulations to the participants of NAILA via video message. Senator the Hon Penny Wong MP, Shadow Foreign Minister, also sent her congratulations and Mr Kevin Evans, Indonesia Director of the Australia Indonesia Center, spoke on where his Bahasa Indonesia skills have taken him in his career.

[The 2016 Awardees](#) delivered their winning entries in front the members of the Australia-Indonesia community and had the opportunity to connect with leaders in

government, business, academia, and the creative arts.

Over the Awards Weekend, the awardees explored Melbourne city, enjoyed an Indonesian lunch of gado-gado, participated in a Batik Workshop, had a private dinner with VIP Judge Mr Gary Hogan AM CSC and the NAILA team, and formed lasting connections and friendships.

NAILA is extremely grateful to our VIP judges – Gary Hogan, Butet Manurung, Enda Ginting, and Yuli Ismartono – not only for their commitment to NAILA in 2016 but also for championing the study of Indonesian. We are incredibly grateful to our partners for their support and [the 2016 leadership team](#) of volunteers for their continued dedication.

Connect with us!

Visit the website: <http://naila.org.au/> and follow NAILA on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [YouTube](#)! Don't forget to sign up for the [NAILA Mailing List](#) to keep up to date with all the latest NAILA news.



Australian Capital Territory

2016 has been a busy year for **AIYA ACT**! Let us tell you about some of our best events.

Make sure you check us out on Instagram at [@aiya_act!](https://www.instagram.com/aiya_act/)

We began the year with a **Networking Night** at the Indonesian Embassy in Canberra. Pak Iwan from the Embassy reminded us of the importance of growing stronger Australia-Indonesia ties, especially in Canberra. On that note, our almost 100 attendees from across government, business and academia got down to the important business of networking! A little sate ayam on the side certainly didn't hurt.

In May, we hosted an **Indonesian Cultural Night**, where the highlight was forming our own mini angklung orchestra. The magnificent Flora from the ANU Indonesian Students' Association taught us some simple lullabies, and thanks to her patience we were eventually able to play a passable 'Twinkle Twinkle Little Star'!

AIYA ACT's flagship event is our **Indonesia Education Day**, where we bring hundreds of Canberran high school students onto the ANU campus for a day aimed at enriching their experience of studying Indonesian. Committee members Freya and Ella taught students how to make gado-gado in their 'Masakan' workshop, Flora and Arif shared their angklung skills in the 'Musik' session and Sophie's 'Dark Arts' class taught students about Indonesian weaponry and the first jurus of Pencak Silat. The students were all engaged and excited, and we're already planning for Indonesia Day next year!

Our **fortnightly language exchange** is a staple feature of the AIYA ACT event program. Our evening get-togethers became 8am meetings in the second half of the year - thankfully the early start was cushioned by meeting at a café with good coffee! A highlight of language exchange was the topic of 'cerita hutan'. It turned out that most people who have travelled or studied in Indonesia had stories about haunted areas and what you should do to avoid ghosts. This topic was also useful for expanding our vocabulary: who would have thought we'd need to use the word for 'exorcism' (penghikmatan, in case you were wondering!)



In October, we held an **Australia-Indonesia Careers Panel Night**. This event aims to encourage predominantly Australian students and young professionals to consider a career related to Indonesia. Professor **Greg Fealy**, Head of the Department of Political and Social Change at ANU, talked about his personal and academic interest in Indonesia which started when he was an undergraduate student. **Iona Main**, currently a South-East Asia Adviser at the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet, discussed how her involvement with AIYA, ACICIS and CAUSINDY lead her to her dream job. **Tony Mitchener**, the current Australia-Indonesia Business Council ACT President, spoke about how his career only took an Indonesia-related turn late in life: and how he wished it had come sooner! Finally, **Katrin Praseli**, an Indonesian language lecturer with Canberra Institute of Technology Solutions, offered an Indonesian insight. She spoke about the differences between studying in Indonesia and Australia, and the importance of strengthening the Australia-Indonesia relationship.

AIYA ACT was delighted to be involved in the **Open Day of the Indonesian Embassy in Canberra**, where we showed members of the public around cultural exhibitions, participated in dance performances and shared our personal experiences of studying and living in Indonesia. A highlight of the day was the ondel-ondel made by students from Telopea Park School. Using only recycled materials, the students created three fantastic ondel-ondel; one even had a compartment to store chocolates!

In 2016 we farewelled Maddie Doyle, our outgoing President, and welcomed Sophie Hewitt as our 2016-2017 President. We were sad to see Vice President Jeremy Hutton and Treasurer Anna Filing leave us for exchange as they had made a wonderful contribution during the first half of 2016. We have welcomed Freya Gaunt as our Vice President, Andaleeb Akhand as our Treasurer and Ella Kelly as Secretary. Their contributions during the second half of the year have been invaluable. In addition, thanks to our general members Dom Huntley, Arif Zamani, Evie Sharman, Breanna Gabbert, Rifa Fatharani and Michael York.

President: Sophie Hewitt

ACT Executive: Freya Gaunt, Andaleeb Akhand, Ella Kelly, Breanna Gabbert, Evie Sharman, Dom Huntley, Arif Zamani and Rifa Fatharani

Jakarta

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Given the large number of Australians and Indonesians based in Jakarta who are interested and engaged in the bilateral relationship, the AIYA Jakarta team always seems to be running from one event to the next! One of our main aims is to connect Australian alumni based in Jakarta to one another, and to relevant networks and opportunities - so we've been busy.

Our panel discussion on tech and entrepreneurship was one such successful event, where our members learned exactly what it takes to become a player in today's digital market. All Australian alumni, our four impressive speakers were Aris Suryamas (Vice President of Marketing at Belsbee), Mahanugra Kinzana (CMO of Negarawan), Sammy Ramadhan (Founder of Goers App) and Michelle Suteja (Analyst at Monks Hill Capital).

AIYA Jakarta also supported the launch of Inside Indonesia magazine's digital archive, and our members took part in a discussion on "The role of media in the Australia-Indonesia Relationship". The event proved to be a huge success, with sold out seats!

In March, we held our first ever Australia Awards Scholarship Information Session, where four alumni of the awards program spoke about their experiences and answered questions on the application progress. AIYA Jakarta was proud to offer this platform to support our Indonesian members' aspirations to pursue further education in Australia. The event was also live streamed to AIYA's Yogyakarta and Jawa Barat chapters.

AIYA Jakarta collaborated closely this year with CAUSINDY. Using our networks, we provided marketing and communications support throughout the year - including for the CAUSINDY information session in Jakarta, where 60 per cent of our members turned out despite heavy rain and macet! AIYA Jakarta members also joined CAUSINDY's new event "The Bilateral Debate" in September, where debaters from the University of Sydney and University of Indonesia engaged in debates on politics and business as part of CAUSINDY's "Engaging Future Leaders" program to reach more young leaders passionate about the bilateral relationship. Our chapter President and Vice President, Alyssia Sastrosatomo and Sekar Langit, held respective roles as Chief Logistics Officer and Recruitment Officer for CAUSINDY. We have high hopes that AIYA Jakarta and CAUSINDY can further collaborate in the future!

We have been working closely with the Australian Embassy in Jakarta this year. In celebration of Indonesia's 71st birthday, AIYA Jakarta assisted by promoting (and of course attending) the "SHOUT! The voice of Oz Alumni" event organised by the Embassy. On the 9th of December, we hosted a casual AIYA meet-and-greet and networking dinner in Jakarta, where AIYA members from our WA, NT, QLD and ACT chapters were also in Jakarta - and we met some great potential new recruits!

Thanks to our AIYA Jakarta committee and volunteers and all who have been involved. It's been a roller-coaster ride and we look forward to do more activities next year!

President: Alyssia Sastrosatomo
JKT Executive: Sekar Langgit, Caesar Budi Satria

Jawa Barat

AIYA Jawa Barat is AIYA's newest chapter, based in Bandung, Indonesia. We are delighted to be spearheading AIYA's mission to connect, inform and inspire Indonesian and Australian young people from our home base of West Java



We marked the creation of AIYA Jawa Barat with a **launch party** in February 2016 at Bamboo Shack cafe in downtown Bandung. The party was attended by lots of enthusiastic Australian and Indonesian young people, who during the course of the night exchanged names, stories and formed new friendships and networks. Our launch party featured two guest speakers: Alfian Amiruddin, a young Indonesian diplomat who studies in Australia, and Bob Holland, the owner of Bamboo Shack who previously worked for AusAID (the Australian government's aid program) in Indonesia.

AIYA Jawa Barat seeks to create opportunities for Australian and Indonesian youth to increase their familiarity with one another's countries and cultures, and provide information about relevant work and study opportunities. We have held events including **language exchange** and **scholarship information sessions**, where experienced Indonesian alumni of the prestigious Australia Awards scheme shared their experiences and gave tips on how to get a scholarship to study in Australia.

We held our first **major language exchange** event in August, in partnership with Wall Street English. The event was an exciting platform for young people from Indonesia and Australia (and beyond - we actually had a number of people of other nationalities join the fun!) to get to know each other and each other's countries in an enjoyable, laid-back way. We shared conversations in both English and Bahasa Indonesia about our cultures, customs and bad habits - and had a good laugh, as we know many of the stereotypes are true! A highlight of the event was learning more about one another's slang, and swapping funny slang words over delicious free pizza.

AIYA Jawa Barat has been off to a flying start in 2016 and we can't wait to bring together more Australian and Indonesian young people for fun and educational events again in 2017. Thanks to all who have been involved so far!

President: Dwiky Chandra Wibowo

JB Executive: Ashley Stewart, Michael McAneney, Aditiya Daniel Sulistiyanto, Fatima Monika Zahra, Nea Maryami Ningtyas, Iga Radhita, Tom Brown and Celia Finch

New South Wales

*2016 has been a wonderful mix of arts, business and politics. **AIYA NSW** continued our efforts in building strong links between Australian and Indonesian youth through a collection of exciting events to suit different interests and purposes.*



We stepped into our third year with a strategic plan in mind: growth, diversity and strength. With the hard work of our chapter executives, we were able to achieve beyond our expectations— an exciting growth in membership, diversity of events and stronger links with our peer associations.

We began the year with an intimate evening of discussion featuring former Australian Ballet Senior Artist Juliet Burnett (now a first soloist at Royal Ballet Flanders) and Artistic Director of Suara Indonesia Dance, Alfira O’Sullivan. We ventured into the magical world of dance and heard how the Australian and Indonesian heritage of both dancers influenced their artistry and creative work. We were inspired by the artistic journey of these two dancers, particularly Juliet’s efforts to introduce ballet to disadvantaged children in the riverside community of Ciliwung, Indonesia and Alfira’s Indonesian dance workshops with children in the East Arnhem Land community as part of her “Reconnecting our Connection” workshop.



Another highlight of our year was the inaugural Great Garooda Debate, which saw two teams of ambitious debaters battling it out for victory. We were fortunate to have renowned barrister Campbell Bridge SC adjudicate this event. The night started off with the serious debate topics of ‘Australia is a better example of Unity in Diversity than Indonesia’ and ‘Jokowi is more re-electable than Malcolm Turnbull’, and ended up on the most contentious issue of all: ‘Indonesian pop culture is better than Australian pop culture’!

Our biggest event of the year was hosting Nicholas Saputra, Titi Kamal and Amanda Marahimin, in association with All In Pixel, for the Sydney screening of Ada Apa Dengan Cinta 2! It was an honour to have a near sell-out crowd at the avant-garde Randwick Ritz Cinema, and to share Indonesia’s most beloved screen characters with the Indonesian community in Sydney.

Our other key events of 2016 include: weekly language exchange at the University of Sydney, **Cas Cis Cus** with **Lusia Efriani**, A night with **Marissa Anita**, co-hosted by **Australia-Indonesia Business Council NSW**, **ReelOzInd!** Screening, **Malam Trivia 2016**, **Sate Sizzle 2016**.

At our young professionals event, representatives from Uber Indonesia spoke on Jakarta’s rapid transformation, the changing transport industries of Asia and the many opportunities that exist for young Australians and Indonesians in the field.

Finally, we assisted KJRI Sydney with the planned visit of President Joko Widodo for the Pentas Kebersamaan gathering. Although the President could not attend, it was still an epic night to watch Gita Gutawa and Gigi perform live, to meet Pak Thomas Lembong (kepala BKPM) and to hear from the President himself via teleconference.

None of these events would happen without the support of our members and executive team. We particularly wish to thank our 2015/2016 executive team which included Merryn Lagaida, Chris Kosasih, Lauren Gaudion, Yohendro Kliwandono for their dedication and hardwork. We are so excited for the events we have in store next year!

See you in 2017!

President: Virania Munaf
NSW Executive: Leah Emmanuel, Owen James, Patrick Hendra, Madeleine Charles, Stanley Yu, Andre Hidayat, Lauren Gaudion, Chris Hall, Chris Kosasih, Merryn Lagaida and Yohendro Kliwandono

Northern Territory

*2016 has been a big year for the **AIYA NT** family! Our thanks go to each and every benefactor including our local Darwin community, PPIA-NT, Charles Darwin University, KRI-Darwin and the NT government for their support and contributions to the success of **AIYA NT**.*



We kicked the year off in style with our **batik competition**, which had the theme “The spirit of the Territory in the heritage of batik”. The competition involved local Indonesian and Australian young people creating an original batik design that represented Northern Territory culture. There were some amazing creations and we loved seeing Australian and Indonesian traditional cultures coming together in the works of art. In April, we hosted a “**Speaking with Confidence**” workshop for local young people, from high school students up to PhD candidates. We’re grateful for the support of Charles Darwin University, the Australia Indonesia Institute and the Australia Indonesia Centre for this event.

Things heated up in August (both for AIYA NT and weather-wise) when we held two major events - our **Meet & Greet** event and our screenings of **Ada Apa Dengan Cinta**, both the original and the sequel! For the Meet & Greet, we partnered with UniBRIDGE to allow our members and community to extend their networks and get to know our executive committee. We were delighted that the Indonesian Consul for the Northern Territory and general AIYA supporter Mr Andre Omer Siregar was able to attend, along with DFAT’s Northern Territory State Director Lorenzo Strano, and the President of NT’s Multicultural Council, Kevin Joseph Kadirgamar. Our movie night for **Ada Apa Dengan Cinta** (1 and 2) was also a great success. Members of the local Darwin community got an insight into the day-to-day life, culture and language of young Indonesians by hearing the characters speak in fluent Bahasa Indonesia (with English subtitles, of course!). Thanks to Charles Darwin University and the Indonesian Consulate in Darwin for their support for this event.

To coincide with the timing of the **Conference of Australian and Indonesian Youth (CAUSINDY)** 2016 in Bali, AIYA NT organised a live streaming event with delegates Robbie Gaspar, a former professional footballer in Indonesia, and Mary Rasita, an e-commerce and marketing guru. Our audience was mainly high school and undergraduate students, who enjoyed asking questions and contributing their own ideas to the conference’s outcomes. Our chapter President, Kyaw (Jhon), was lucky enough to be sponsored by the Indonesian Consulate in Darwin to accompany the Indonesian Consul and his team to attend CAUSINDY in Bali. The trip was a remarkable opportunity, and allowed AIYA NT to establish a relationship with the Green School in Ubud and Warmadewa University. Local young leaders were enthusiastic at the idea of establishing an AIYA Bali chapter, and planning is now underway - watch this space!

While we were busy hosting many of our own events, AIYA NT executive members have been active in representing our organisations an increasing our partnerships with the Indonesian and multicultural communities of Darwin. We attended the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (**ASEAN**) **Heads of Mission summit** at NT Parliament House in April, and our chapter Vice President Lara Whitehouse was proud to be a guest speaker at Charles Darwin University’s Engagement event, sharing her experience of studying in Yogyakarta with the ACICIS program.

President: Kyaw Naing
NT Executive: Lara Whitehouse, Lang, Al Rifki, Frankie, Rangga Daranindra

Nusa Tenggara Timur

*At **AIYA NTT**, we are passionate about linking our members to educational opportunities in Indonesia and Australia, and have held a number of events and initiatives to achieve this goal. We have run some great events to date and look forward to coming back even bigger and better in 2017!*

Engaging in UniBRIDGE

The UniBRIDGE Project connects university students from Australia and Indonesia to foster understanding of language and culture at a grassroots level. Each year, UniBRIDGE grants awards to students from Nusa Cendana University in Kupang to undertake a study visit to Australia. AIYA NTT was proud to host the 2016 awards event, and three of our committee members who have been actively involved in UniBRIDGE were delighted to judge the competition.

International Opportunities Seminar

In April, we hosted a seminar in collaboration with the Eastern Indonesian Students Foreign Relations (MITRA) Association in Kupang to provide local young people with information about scholarship opportunities, youth exchange programs and to meet with our fifteen inspirational speakers. We're grateful for the support of the Australia-Indonesia Institute, Australia-Indonesia Centre and AIYA National in funding this event. Our 120 attendees came away with a much better understanding of the opportunities available to them - and we wish them the best of luck for their applications!

Celebrating Indonesian National Education Day

To commemorate Indonesia's national education day, AIYA NTT in collaboration with MITRA Catholic University of Widya Mandira held an education-themed movie night, and hosted a scholarship talk covering everything from Australia Awards, Lembaga Pengelola Dana Pendidikan (LPDP) scholarships, to the coveted Fulbright Scholarship. Almost 150 people attended the event, at which past recipients Albert Christian Soewongsono (LPDP), Stevy Ardianto Nappoe (Fulbright), Elisabeth Werang (VDMS undergraduate) and Marselinus Ulu Fahik (Australia Awards) shared their experiences and advice.



AIYA NTT has also held a number of social gatherings throughout the year to discuss our objectives and accomplishments. We would like to thank all AIYA NTT's committee members, who have worked and collaborated amazingly, and also to our members and non-members who have attended our events these past few years!



President: Albert Christian
NTT Executive: Charles Nggolo, Claudia Dhaja, Steven Parera, Reny Bani Bill, Leni Suek, Lilyen Sede

Queensland

*This year, **AIYA QLD** has been delighted to engage with Australian and Indonesian communities in Brisbane and the Sunshine Coast through a range of events and activities.*



We started the year with a “Meet and Greet with AIYA QLD” at Sendok Garpu Indonesian Restaurant, where we got to know one another, introduced our committee and enjoyed ourselves - everyone went home happy and kenyang!

We collaborated this year with Synergy of Indonesia Australia (SIA) for their annual **IndOz Festival in Brisbane**, which celebrates Indonesian culture in Australia. AIYA QLD members got involved in a big way - we participated in Brisbane’s first kecak dance, and made some new friends in the process! Our Vice President Nia and AIYA National Treasurer Sheila represented us at the festival’s networking dinner. We attended the Perhimpunan Pelajar Indonesia Australia (PPIA) Pesta Rakyat celebration, with our President Steph acting in a comedy play, Vice President Nia singing a beautiful Sinden and our members Arathy and Jane expertly performing a Balinese dance number! We loved the hands-on experience of sharing Indonesian culture, and appreciate SIA’s sponsorship of AIYA QLD events.

We have worked closely with the **Australia Indonesia Business Council (AIBC)** in Queensland this year. This included surveying Queensland-based business leaders who participated in the 2015 Indonesia-Australia Business Week in Jakarta, and our President Steph presenting our findings at a major AIBC Queensland event. We are also pleased to be working with our friends at the University of the Sunshine Coast (USC), where we caught up in August with **UniBRIDGE Kupang** participants Qrezpy and Steven, who were enjoying their time in Australia as part of the UniBRIDGE program.

In September, we hosted AIYA QLD’s first “**Pathways to Indonesia**” event, which connected students and graduates to Indonesia-related study and volunteering opportunities. Our speakers had experience including Darmasiswa, ACICIS, RUI LI Lombok, BIPA Kupang, PIBBI, Australian Volunteers for International Development, and AIESEC. It was exciting that so many people are keen to go to Indonesia for their exchange and to volunteer! We were honoured to host Mr Greg Vickery AO, Chairman of the Standing Commission of the Red Cross and Red Crescent and former Honorary Consul for Indonesia in Queensland, as our keynote speaker.

The **Queensland Government** is working hard to promote our state as a study abroad destination, which gave our Treasurer Mel and President Steph their chance to shine in a promotional video! They were joined by Indonesian students Alfian and Fitri, who will be ambassadors for the program while they spend a semester studying in Queensland universities. Next stop - hollywood!

We’ve worked hard to expand our partnerships with the Indonesian community in the Sunshine Coast this year. Some of our executive committee who’ve studied in Indonesia have joined panels and workshops to share their experiences, including with the USC Bahasa Community, the Indonesian Embassy and the AIBC. The Queensland Australia-Indonesia community has been so active, vibrant and supportive this year. Thanks to our tireless QLD executive (semangat!) and all who have been involved. We’ve had a blast!

President: Steph Pearson

QLD Executive: Rachmania Wardhani, Melanie Kilby, Bryanna Wilson, Ratna Suminar, Isaac Bennett, Zachary Look

South Australia

*It has been a great year for **AIYA SA**! Our chapter has grown remarkably, and we're looking forward to seeing this continue. We have held some fun and informative events throughout the year and are grateful for the support of our wonderful executive committee and members!*

Our monthly **Language Exchange (LX)** is a forum for discussion in Indonesian and English of everything from food to music, to current affairs and politics. Depending on our mood you might catch us in a tutorial room at Flinders University, or in a park or pub for a more relaxed nongkrong session!

To celebrate Mothers' Day, we participated in a fun Indonesian exercise contest held by **INDOPeduli Adelaide**, a local NGO. The exercise is called the Senam Kesegaran Jasmani 88 (SKJ 88), which is a kind of gymnastics-style dance which was popular in the 1980s. It's still practised in most workplaces in Indonesia on Saturday mornings! Our executive committee Yudis, Shanti, Mitha and Kevin struggled to keep up with the funky moves at first, but they picked it up eventually and everyone had a blast!

You have probably noticed that **movie nights** are something of an AIYA tradition - but very few are as enthusiastic as AIYA SA! One of our highlights this year was our screening of *Gie* (2005), one of Indonesia's finest nationalistic films, which tells the story of Soe Hok Gie, a well-known Indonesian activist and writer of the 1960s. We had a great turn-out and our audience gave the movie a standing ovation! It's no surprise that this film was awarded Best Film at the 2005 Indonesian Film Festival.



Fun Fact: May is a significant month in Indonesian history, particularly 20 May which in 1908 which marked the Day of National Awakening (Hari Kebangkitan Nasional) in Indonesia. This is a day which saw the colonised archipelago's revolutionary youth of the early 20th century establish Boedi Oetomo, in order to spark Indonesia's nationalist movement and pave the way for its independence. The historical significance of this month made *Gie* a fitting film to be screened for the Movie Night.

We also held a **screening of the sequel to Ada Apa Dengan Cinta**, which jumpstarted the Indonesian film industry when it was released in 2002 - and catapulted its stars from obscurity to becoming household names. Beloved by a generation of Indonesian young people and lovers of Indonesian cinema, safe to say we were excited about the sequel! Cinta and Rangga were only teenagers when they fell in love 14 years ago. Separated for nine years, chance reunited them in the exotic city of Yogyakarta. Their lives have changed, and things are not as simple as they used to be. Will they finally be together this time? We can only say that the ending was satisfying!

Our **Youth Forum on Waste Management**, held in September, was our biggest event in 2016. It was a one-day forum at which young Australians and Indonesians with an interest in the relationship and waste management had an opportunity to exchange ideas and discuss solutions to waste management problems. The event helped us better understand Indonesia's ability to manage waste effectively, and what lessons we can learn from South Australian programs such as Zero Waste SA, which has received international recognition. The day consisted of two great panel forums followed by a fun, interactive workshop. We're grateful to our sponsors and partners, particularly the University of South Australia, for making the day such a success.

AIYA SA was fortunate to be involved in **Indofest 2016**, an annual Indonesian cultural festival held in Adelaide. We promoted AIYA's objectives and achievements through selling children's books *Petualangan Anak Indonesia* and *Bahasa Indonesia* teaching materials both written by AIYA's National President, Nicholas Mark. Our chapter Vice President, Shanti, also played a key role as she MCed the Indofest main stage!

President: Gede Yudistira Putra

SA Executive: Shanti Omodei-James, Mitha Canthi, Kevin Pantow, Harry Waroona and Stiffan Djami

Victoria

*What have we been up to in 2016? Our Chapter President, Clarice Campbell, spoke to the **AIYA Victoria** committee members to hear what they think the year's highlights have been...*



Social-Cultural

Our Social-Cultural Officer, Anthony Taylor, tells us a what has been happening. “Our Basa-Basi events connect young people with experts in the Australia-Indonesia relationship, and have been very well-attended this year. Our first event was with **Luisa Egriani** (AKA Batik Girl), founder of a social enterprise for women prisoners in Batam. We’ve also hosted human rights advocate and author **Pat Walsh**, who talked about his story collection *Cloudy with a Chance of Fried Rice*. To finish the year, we are holding a joint poetry reading event with **Jembatan Poetry Society**.” Vice-President of Internal Affairs, Haekal Irsananda, says “we continued our tradition of networking events by co-hosting a young professionals’ event with PwC and the AIBC in October. The excellent panellists for the evening were Monash Institute of Railway Technology Director, Ravi Ravitharan, Accolade Coaching Founder and Director, Emmanuel Setyawan and Senior ABC Journalist, Helen Brown. The speakers provided insightful discussion in relation to their experiences working between Indonesia and Australia.”

Education

We hold **Language Exchange (LX)** 48 weeks of the year at RMIT University, and our Berbahasa group discussions weekly during semesters at Monash University. Both programs cater to all levels. Sam Shlansky, one of our Vice Presidents, says “it has been a fantastic time to get cultural. We’ve seen more and more people coming despite other commitments, with some regulars enjoying it so much they’ve become facilitators!” Vito Sustrina, our Education Officer, says that in 2016 Berbahasa “reached out to the wider community that could not attend to our flagship LX hosted in the heart of Melbourne. The sessions are a platform for people to sharpen their Indonesian and/or English skills, and act a medium for cultural exchange.”

Sport

In 2016, we’ve turned much of our focus to Victoria’s biggest obsession - sport! Katrina Reid tells us what’s been going on. “**The AIYA Krakatoas Football Club** saw at least 30 players at training most Sundays. With so many players and supporters, we’ve formed a separate committee. This fantastic group of volunteers helped to get new faces on the ground every week and field another team in the summer AFL 9’s competition, which makes season two for the Krakatoas! This year, the Krakatoas also tried their hand at netball and the team of both Australians and Indonesians hit the court each week rain, hail or shine! One of our star players went on to teach netball to Indonesian school girls in Lombok as part of a Netball Indonesia initiative. Even when the players had to run through ankle deep water they still had smiles on their faces. It’s safe to say the Krakatoas Netball team was a great success!”

Connecting, informing and inspiring

We’ve worked hard this year to forge new connections and improve existing ones. Communications Officer, Ed Stephens, says “we assisted with so many events - too many to name them all! Some of the highlights were PPIA’s Alun-Alun, the VILTA Conference and the International Conference of Aceh. There are so many opportunities for collaboration and we look forward to building our partnerships further next year!” Our Treasurer and Secretary, Laura Reinwald says “as a committee member for AIYA Victoria, I have been able to contribute meaningfully to the local community. The strength of AIYA is the unified passion for a better understanding between the two countries, and a desire to make this a reality through closer people-to-people relations.”

Chapter President, Clarice Campbell says “I would like to thank everyone involved with this chapter, from the committee to our general members – none of what we have done would be possible without you. I look forward to seeing the Victoria chapter and AIYA as a whole grow even bigger in the future.”

President: Clarice Campbell

VIC Executive: Sam Shlansky, Haekal Irsananda, Laura Reinwald, Edward Stephens, Vito Sutrisna, Katrina Reid, Anthony Taylor, Stephen Sebastian Tedja, Sarah Parapat, Jvelin Wendiady and Rachel Daymond

Western Australia

*2016 has been a varied and exciting year for **AIYA WA**!*

We actually began our organising for the year in late 2015, working busily over the summer period to organise a visit by the cast and director of the critically acclaimed Indonesian documentary **JALANAN** (Streetside). **JALANAN** tells the story of three buskers' search for love and identity in fast-paced and globalised Jakarta. Thanks to support from the WA Office of Multicultural Interests, AIYA WA was able to host this visit and make **JALANAN** a featured event at Perth's Fringe World Festival. The documentary screening and subsequent live music performance (both hosted in Fremantle) were an overwhelming success, attended by over 200 people. During their time in Perth, AIYA WA facilitated visits by the **JALANAN** Crew to a number of high schools where director Daniel Ziv shared his stories and insights.

In April, AIYA WA supported the **5FootWay art installation** as part of FORM 2016, a celebration of urban art. The installation was a collaboration between artist Mike Hornblow and Javanese dancer Agung Gunawan. AIYA WA members promoted and assisted as volunteers throughout the event.

AIYA WA was delighted to host a dinner for a group of **Institut Teknologi Bandung (ITB)** students visiting as guests of the Perth USAsia Centre at the University of Western Australia in May 2016. The ITB students and AIYA WA

members listened to presentations from Perth USAsia centre fellows Jeffrey Wilson and Natalie Sambhi, as well as AIYA WA Chapter President Stewart Palmer about features of the bilateral relationship. An interesting discussion followed the presentations about the role of youth in the bilateral Australia-Indonesia trade relationship.

In July, AIYA WA held a '**Signs of the Times**' dinner, with a hilarious and informative presentation by Professor David Reeve. During his presentation, David discussed the use of rhyme in Bahasa Indonesia in signed advertising in Indonesia and shared many amusing photos of signs from his own travels. AIYA WA played a supporting role as volunteers at the **2016 Australia Indonesia Business Council Conference** which was held at Crown Perth, together with the AIBC Young Professionals.

Our final event for 2016 was our **Malam Trivia**, which raised funds for Bamboo Micro Credit (BMC). BMC is a Perth based NGO which provides microfinance to communities in Indonesia to alleviate poverty. Malam Trivia was held at the Indonesian Consulate in Perth and attended by over 70 people, who all had a great time. Half of the questions were about Australia, half were about Indonesia and the event was organised and facilitated by AIYA WA, with BMC providing ticketing support as well as prize donations.



Our 2016-2017 committee was elected at our AGM in October 2016, which saw Stewart Palmer re-elected as Chapter President, David Scholefield Vice President, Matt Satchwell as Treasurer and Fiona Bettsworth as Secretary. They were joined by general executive members Vanessa Juliana, Isabelle Lange, Collin Wiyoto, Boaz Shearer, Martha Weruing and Riley Brown. Thanks to our committee and members for all their hard work and enthusiasm this year!

President: Stewart Palmer

WA Executive: Daniel Gazzard, David Scholefield, Matthew Satchwell, Vanessa Juliana, Collin Wiyoto Suryacitra, Andrew Henson, Joey Eagleton, Isabelle Lange and Tristan Wojnar-Horton

Yogyakarta

AIYA Yogyakarta is delighted by the success of our project so far and can't wait to continue bringing together our Australian and Indonesian members to continue this initiative in 2017.

AIYA Yogyakarta has had a busy year, and are thrilled to share with you our biggest initiative - the **AIYA Yogyakarta Community Outreach Programme**, which we launched in November 2016. The project enables our members to create a short social development program in a rural area around Yogyakarta. The inaugural project took place in Desa Petir, Gunungkidul, where volunteers got the chance to teach Year 4-6 students in SDN Petir 2 about the world map and countries' national flags. They also conducted an educational snakes-and-ladders game where the students were quizzed each time they landed on a new square.

The program was initiated by our AIYA Yogyakarta Vice President (Operations) Wisnu Trianugeraha, who was looking for a social development program he could create as part of his university **KKN (Social Development Placement)** program. Our Chapter President Maria Agatha Rina and Vice President (Media) Evani Pertika liked the idea so much they agreed to make the project an official AIYA Yogyakarta initiative! "We are really proud of the new program and hope it can be conducted at least once a year or maybe even once per semester" said Wisnu Trianugeraha. Responses to the program have been

positive, with students and teachers enthusiastically welcoming the AIYA Yogyakarta volunteers to their school. "We are very understaffed here. Most teachers are doing multiple subjects such as Mathematics and Sports. However, we currently have no English teacher this year because the teacher was transferred to another school. We are very happy that Wisnu, one of the UGM students doing their KKN program in Desa Petir, has decided to teach English here in this school albeit only temporarily. We would also like to thank AIYA Yogyakarta and KKN-PPM UGM for their efforts in enriching the students' life and experience" said Wulan, one of the few teachers in SDN Petir 2.

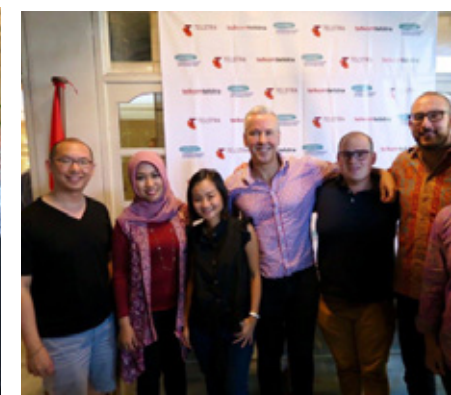
Chapter President Maria Agatha says "we are very happy to contribute to the local community in Yogyakarta. However, this is our Chapter's newest project and there will be some aspects that we need to work on. We have taken into consideration the school's feedback, and will try to introduce some new elements into our program. I would also like to thank our executive committees, volunteers, and facilitators who have worked hard to make this program a reality."



President: Maria Agatha Rina

YOG Executive: Wisnu Trianugeraha, Ahmad Rezha, Evani Pertika Raharjo, Shaun Lindfield, Hanalei Bickley, Raveen Ranawake, Sayle Johnston, Angela Godewatte

CAUSINDY 2016



AIYA's Affiliate Partner, the Conference for Australian and Indonesian Youth (CAUSINDY) held its fourth fantastic conference in Bali in September 2016. After several years of ups and downs in the wider relationship, CAUSINDY 2016 proved that ties between Australia and Indonesia at the youth level are thriving. With an exciting program that took in experts from politics and business to society and culture, CAUSINDY 2016 looked at ways to build a more sustainable relationship.

This year, we were also excited to launch a series of new and expanded initiatives:

- Engaging Future Leaders, our schools engagement program, grew to include high schools in Melbourne and Darwin
- The Bilateral Debate, an event which brought together debating societies from the University of Sydney and the University of Indonesia over livestream, thanks to telkomtelstra
- An expanded program of alumni events, including networking events in Sydney, Melbourne and Jakarta

Taking CAUSINDY to Bali gave us a new perspective on the bilateral relationship, and a renewed focus on people-to-

people links. Program highlights included a cooking class and networking event in Ubud and, a leadership breakfast and CAUSINDY Review, which saw delegates present new ideas for a stronger bilateral relationship. Working with four expert mentors, Paul Ramadge, Lydia Santoso, Andre Siregar and Paul Mead, delegates presented four proposals:

- Makan Makan Mate, a campaign which uses food and cultural diplomacy to strengthen people-to-people links
- JembARTan.com, an art and culture website to facilitate cross-cultural collaboration between Australian and Indonesian creatives
- Kantin, a networking platform and app that is a one stop shop for CAUSINDY and AIYA alumni to find information about Australia and Indonesia
- A civil servant exchange program between the Australia and Indonesia.

The CAUSINDY team would like to particularly thank our partners and supporters, including the Northern Territory Government, UTS:INSEARCH and telkomtelstra, whose advice and support made CAUSINDY 2016 possible.

In 2017, CAUSINDY returns to Australia. Head to causindy.org for updates on next year's dates, location and program.

AIYA's Partners and Supporters

Thanks to the generous support of our sponsors, partners and supporters, AIYA has continued to achieve its goal of connecting, informing and inspiring Indonesian and Australian young people in bigger and better ways. We hope to continue these collaborations in 2017. Here are some highlights from our 2016 partnered activities:

Australia-Indonesia Institute

The Australia-Indonesia Institute (AII) is one of AIYA's Executive Partners, supporting our operations and initiatives. All funding also supports NAILA and CAUSINDY, both of which have made significant contributions to the vibrancy and engagement of youth in the Australia-Indonesia space. In particular, the AII assists in the development of smaller AIYA chapters and in 2016 supported cross-chapter events such as the Ada Apa Dengan Cinta 2: Australian Tour and the ACT Chapter's Indonesian Education Day.



Australia-Indonesia Centre

The Australia-Indonesia Centre (AIC) is another of our valued Executive Partners, which continues to support AIYA's initiatives and programs in 2016 and 2017. The AIC's generous funding supports chapter and national initiatives across AIYA's spectrum of activities. 2016 saw the launch of the AIC's ReelOzInd! Australia-Indonesia Short Film Festival, and AIYA Chapters assisted with the screening events to showcase the fantastic winning films. AIC was a key sponsor for this year's NAILA, with AIC's Indonesia Director, Kevin Evans, providing a great video testimonial that also showcased his excellent Bahasa Indonesia!



Sydney Southeast Asia Centre

The Sydney Southeast Asia Centre (SSEAC) at the University of Sydney engaged AIYA to present a panel during the recent Australia-Indonesia Leaders Program in June 2016. The panel, entitled Supporting Future Generations focused on youth issues in the Australia-Indonesia bilateral relationship. SSEAC often collaborates with AIYA NSW and also assisted AIYA National to host our annual planning weekend on campus in March.



Australia-Indonesia Business Council

We've strengthened our relationship with AIBC considerably in 2016, and have provided a number of opportunities for AIYA members to become a part of the AIBC network. AIYA QLD and NSW have both co-hosted events in 2016, and AIYA WA and Victoria have strengthened ties with the AIBC Young Professionals group.



DFAT, Australia Awards & New Colombo Plan

AIYA is in an excellent position to promote educational opportunities in both countries, as many of our executive and members have studied in both Australia and Indonesia - and a large number have also received government scholarships to do so. This year, AIYA collaborated with Australia Awards to host informative events in Jakarta, Yogyakarta and Nusa Tenggara Timur. We've also promoted the New Colombo Plan scholarships and mobility grants, and will increase our role in this regard in 2017 - watch this space.

In 2016, we have assisted the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) with a number of programs that encourage young people to engage in the bilateral relationship. In particular, we were a key promotional partner for the pioneering educational adventure app, [Next Door Land](#), which introduces Australian and Indonesian culture to young people across both countries, in an entertaining and fun way. AIYA also assisted with [DFAT's inaugural ModCon Digital Arts awards](#), as well as the Australia-Indonesia Science Symposium which was held in Canberra in late 2016.



Other Key AIYA Partners and Supporters



If your organisation is interested in partnering with AIYA, we would love to hear from you!

Please email us at

partnerships@aiya.org.au

to discuss sponsorship or collaboration opportunities.

Become an AIYA Member

What are you waiting for? Click [here](#) to become a member today!

Join a friendly environment for young Australians and Indonesians

AIYA membership is open to the general public, and to people of all ages and backgrounds. Membership allows you to connect with young people in your area who are engaged in the Australia-Indonesia relationship, and share your language and cultural experiences through language exchanges and other educational and cultural events. These range from debate nights and guest speaker events where you'll likely learn something new on topical issues facing both countries, to fun trivia nights that are focused on Australian and Indonesian history and culture and movie screenings.

A stepping stone to shaping the Australia-Indonesia relationship

Joining AIYA will open the door to a range of professional opportunities - both through our organised networking and careers nights, as well as by introducing you to the many high-achieving young professionals that are AIYA members or sit on one of our executive committees. You'll have access to information about educational and professional opportunities in government, academia and the private sector, and the chance to network with potential mentors and career champions - who knows where your conversations could take you!

Get involved in running your local chapter

Being an AIYA member allows you to vote and run for election at one of our chapter AGMs. Anyone can be a member, but you'll need to be aged 18-35 to have a role on a chapter committee. You can then take the lead in planning and running major events, develop and advocate for policy and liaise with our like-minded partner organisations. When you're a member, AIYA will become your organisation to help shape!

Exclusive discounts and member-only opportunities

Be the first to hear about exclusive member-only opportunities offered via our partnerships network. These include discounts to AIYA chapter events, and access to UniBRIDGE's online language exchange platform. Benefits vary from state to state, so please visit your local AIYA chapter's page on our website to find out what great perks they have in store for you.

AIYA membership operates for the whole organisation

While most of our events are organised by chapters, your membership is national. This means you can attend AIYA events and receive discounts around Australia and Indonesia!

GOT FEEDBACK?

As this is our first ever AIYA Annual, we would love to hear your feedback!
If you've got suggestions or ideas for next year, please email [Iona Main](mailto:iona.main@aiya.org.au) at iona.main@aiya.org.au.

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