



AUSTRALIA
INDONESIA
YOUTH
ASSOCIATION

AIYA ANNUAL REPORT

20 23

ENGLISH

VERSION

Foreword

“The Australia-Indonesia Institute is proud to continue its engagement and support for AIYA and NAILA, and its cultural, professional and educational programs that bring young people in Australia and Indonesia together as a source of friendship and understanding.”



Australian Government



**Australia-
Indonesia
Institute**



ANNUAL 2023

The Australia-Indonesia Youth Association Limited is supported by the Commonwealth through the Australia-Indonesia Institute of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Copyright © 2023 Australia Indonesia Youth Association Limited.
ACN 602 070 977. All rights reserved.



Credits

Communications Director

Rosie Murphy

Chief Editor

Tri Nurmalina Pambudi

AIYA Annual Editors

Safira Noor Raodah
Citra Purnamasari

Translators

Maria Clara Yubilea Sidharta
Gabriella Pasya Irianti
Iffa Zuraida
Aqsa Suryana

Graphics Coordinator

Dhiya Aisy

Graphic Designers

Tectona Aldin Dana Saputra
RA Mikha Christy Prasetyani
Matthew Aaron
Shuvaira Najmi Hanida
Asharell Hillary Baby Ngau
Claudia Petrin
Reneoneal Cut Adamy

Key Contributors

Claudia Wijaya
Matthew Hasjim
Jade Lee
Wisnu Trianugeraha



CONTENTS

Contents	5
Editorial Foreword	6
President's Welcome	8
AIYA at Glance	11
The Team	12
Message From The Ambassadors	20
Australian Ambassador to Indonesia, Penny Williams PSM	20
Indonesian Ambassador to Australia, Siswo Pramono	21
Chapter Updates	23
AIYA Australian Capital Territory	24
AIYA Jakarta	26
AIYA Jawa Barat	28
AIYA New South Wales	30
AIYA Nusa Tenggara Timur	32
AIYA Queensland	34
AIYA South Australia	36
AIYA Sulawesi Selatan	38
AIYA Victoria	40
AIYA Western Australia	42
AIYA Yogyakarta	44
NAILA 2023	46
KONGRES 2023	49
Digital Operations Portofolio	53
Special Projects Portofolio	55
People and Culture	57
Partner Testimonials	60
AIYA Annual Submissions 2023	66
Get Involved With AIYA	74





Editorial Foreword

As we reflect on a dynamic and impactful year, we are delighted to present the Australia-Indonesia Youth Association (AIYA) Annual Report for 2023. This year has been marked by a series of remarkable achievements and events that have further strengthened the bonds between Australian and Indonesian youth. In 2023, AIYA began the year with the much-anticipated Kongres event. This flagship gathering not only set the tone for the year but also exemplified the robust collaboration and deepening ties between the youth of Australia and Indonesia. By partnering with chapters in both countries, AIYA showcased its commitment to fostering a dynamic and cooperative atmosphere, reinforcing the shared values and aspirations of our young leaders.

The enthusiasm and dedication of Australian and Indonesian youth are perfectly captured in this Annual Report. It stands as a testament to our mission of promoting cultural exchange and community engagement, as well as our unwavering dedication to not only strengthening bilateral relations but also fostering community development in both nations. As we reflect on this year's accomplishments, we are reminded of the power of youth-led initiatives and the profound impact they can have on our shared future.

Our AIYA National Communications Team has continued to grow, made up of passionate and talented individuals in various areas. We consist of Social Media, Publications (Blog, Links, Translation and Annual), Graphic Design, and Web & IT. Our teams are spread throughout Australia and Indonesia, where we meet online to brainstorm ideas to keep our content interesting and fun for you.

The AIYA Annual is a space created to acknowledge the achievements of the National team, Indonesian Chapters, and Australian Chapters throughout the year. It has been inspiring to see how many members have been involved in both in-person and online events. We have loved seeing the amount of Chapter and partner collaborations. All teams from the Communications portfolio are involved in the creation of the AIYA Annual. This year, we have also had some help from our generous communications officers from Chapters. We are so grateful to the whole team for their hard work in putting together the Annual so we can reflect fondly on 2023.





Editorial Foreword

As the Communications Team, we have loved collaborating with our partners, NAILA, and Chapters through social media and the blog. A special shout-out to the Women's Empowerment Team and KUMPUL for all your incredible ideas and engaging events that we have helped with. All play a vital role in strengthening the bilateral relationship.

We would like to sincerely thank our AIYA members and partners for making 2023 the success that it was. We are grateful for every link click, every share, every event attended, and every friendship made through AIYA. We look forward to more connections and strengthened relationships throughout 2024.



President's Welcome

To our dearest AIYA members, volunteers, and supporters,

2023 was a year of changes, new opportunities, and growth. Our team is delighted to bring to you a summary of the initiatives and events we are grateful to have had this year.

The first half of the year was led by our 2021-2023 Board of Directors. I would like to thank all outgoing National Board members, Adeline, Anggi, Clarice, Dan, Emily, and Joshua, for their hard work and dedication over the past few years. They are not only the board members but also AIYA volunteers who have each volunteered for more than five years, showing how much passion and energy they have for the Australia-Indonesia space.

From July 2023 onwards, an Annual General Meeting was held announcing our new Board of Directors that took on the roles to lead our portfolios of finance, communications, partnerships & memberships, operations, secretary, and NAILA. As I have transitioned from National Secretary to National President, I would like to thank everyone for your patience and understanding with me and the team, as the first few months included a lot of handovers, learnings, and adjustments settling into these roles. I would like to thank the current National Board members - Bima, Darcy, Jade, Matthew, Rosie and Wisnu for stepping up, revitalising and continuing the work to strengthen the Australia and Indonesia bilateral relationship.

The decrease in Indonesian language in Australian universities means AIYA has a role in connecting, informing and inspiring youth to take Indonesian Studies in secondary and tertiary education. The repercussions extend beyond a university level as we are the next generation of employees and employers working across Australia and Indonesia. We need the support of the government, businesses, organisations, and the private sector to support us financially but also spread awareness verbally to encourage employment in this area. The promotion of Indonesian Studies would not only assist bilaterally but also with Australia's engagement in the region. Therefore, all support, initiatives, and programs facilitated to strengthen the bilateral relationship in support of AIYA's work in this matter are highly valued and crucial to our collective success.

Throughout the year, AIYA has continuously worked hard to deliver programs led by the National teams and Chapters, collaborated with our partners, and had generous contributions and opportunities from our sponsors and supporters. As National President, words cannot express my gratitude and excitement for your unwavering support. The commitment and encouragement have been invaluable for the growth of AIYA. These are some notable highlights from each quarter that I would like to mention:



President's Welcome

1st Quarter

In the first quarter, we had our in-person Kongres in Australia, Melbourne, organised alongside the Victoria Chapter and Kongres in Jakarta, Indonesia, organised alongside the Jakarta Chapter, which included Gala dinners at the KJRI in Melbourne and the Australian Ambassador Residence in Jakarta, panel discussions, and workshops.

2nd Quarter

April to June had many successful events, such as the gathering at Indofest Adelaide organised by the South Australia Chapter, a walking trail event hosted by the Queensland Chapter, and an initial meeting between the Indonesian Consulate-General in Perth and Western Australia Chapter to discuss its chapter relaunch.

3rd Quarter

In this third quarter, the Jawa Barat Chapter had a fun meeting called Picnic and Chill, the New South Wales Chapter hosted an Indonesian Speaking Workshop for HSC Students, our Nusa Tenggara Timur Chapter hosted a Fun Day with Rumah Sejuta Mimpi, and the Australia Capital Territory Chapter hosted its Gala Dinner at the Indonesian Embassy.

4th Quarter

Ending the year, the Sulawesi Selatan Chapter organised *"AIYA Goes To Campus"* at Universitas Hasanuddin, and our Yogyakarta Chapter hosted *Monash GIG Sports Day*.

AIYA also participated in several conferences throughout the year, including the *ASEAN+Youth Summit and MIKTA Youth Conference* in Jakarta, along with hosting a session at the *Indonesia-Australia Business Council Conference* to increase private funding for youth organisations.





President's Welcome

For the upcoming year as National President, I will focus on the following three things internally for AIYA volunteers: to revitalise the Western Australia Chapter, seek more opportunities for AIYA volunteers, and increase AIYA financial sustainability. Externally, we will focus on increasing Indonesian cultural awareness and language in Australia along with upskilling AIYA members for future work opportunities in both countries.

I would like to thank the readers of the AIYA Annual 2023 who are continuous AIYA supporters. The past year has been fulfilling and we look forward to the upcoming year.

Claudia Wijaya

National President





AIYA at a Glance



Chapter members

131

Jakarta

23

Jawa Barat

85

Yogyakarta

36

NTT

17

Sulawesi
Selatan

5

WA



1

NT

20

QLD

51

NSW

32

ACT

1

TAS

55

VIC

5

SA

24,247
total contacts
5,280
email
subscribers

Approximately
17.52k
monthly visits
to AIYA
website

36% growth
of AIYA
LinkedIn
Connections

25,705 AIYA
social media
followers



Board Of
Directors
2021 – 2023



Clarice Campbell
National President



Claudia Wijaya
Company Secretary



Joshua Sutedjo
National Treasurer



Emily Heng
Operations Director



Dan Trevanion
Partnerships &
Memberships Director



**Kilau Setanggi
Timur**
Communications
Director



Adeline Tinessia
NAILA Director



Board Of Directors

2023 - 2025



Claudia Wijaya

National President



**Wisnu
Trianugeraha**

Company Secretary



Matthew Hasjim

Operations Director



Bima Aryuna

National Treasurer



Darcy Murphy

Partnerships &
Memberships Director



Rosie Murphy

Communications
Director



Jade Lee

NAILA Director



National Committee

Treasury



Annabella

Finance Officer



Fadurroh Azmi

Merchandise Officer



Kimberly Gunawan

Merchandise Officer

National Committee

Operations



Vita Kanisha Ilma

Operations Coordinator
(Indonesia)



Jade Lee

Operations Coordinator
(Australia)



Kazhimi Naim

Operations Coordinator
(Australia)



Adila Salma Khansa

Operations Coordinator
(Digital)



Pritta Maharani

Digital Events Officer



**Michelle Bianca
Rosalia Sumakul**

Digital Events Officer



Fara Shamara

Digital Events Officer



Patricia Elizabeth

Digital Events Officer



**Bening
Wismawarin**

Digital Education Officer



Thomas Farmer

Digital Education Officer



**Noviachri Imroatul
Sadiyah**

Digital Education Officer



National Committee

Partnerships & Memberships



Hirzi Putra Laksana

Partnerships Officer



Annabel Maria Christina

Memberships Officer

National Committee

Communications



Claudia Petrin

Communications
Coordinator



Dhiya Aisy

Communications
Coordinator



Ashton Darracott

Communications
Coordinator



Nabila Khoiru Nisa

Links Editor



**Lourdes
Bernadette**

Links Editor



Hansel Winarta

Links Editor



**Jesica Nikita
Rachel Ginting**

Links Editor



**Achmad Sofari
Usman**

Social Media Officer



Zahra Anindya

Social Media Officer



**Reneoneal Cut
Adamy**

Social Media Officer



**Nadya Zahra
Rahmadilla**

Social Media Officer



**Sarah Athiya
Pulungan**

Social Media Officer



**Asri Susanti
Battileo**

Social Media Officer



National Committee Communications



Trifosa Viana Christi
Social Media Officer



Maddie Crothers
Blog Editor



Shayma Abdellatif
Blog Editor



Grace Viona
Blog Editor



Dinda Aziza Rialita
Graphic Design
Officer



Iqoh Khanafi
Graphic Design
Officer



**Marlana Siti
Nurhasyanah**
Graphic Design
Officer



Adolf Richardo BS
Content Translator



Clara Sidharta
Content Translator



Gabriella Pasya Irianti
Content Translator



Iffa Zuraida
Content Translator



Thomas Shears
Content Translator



**Safira Noor
Raodah**
AIYA Annual Editor



Citra Purnamasari
AIYA Annual Editor



National Committee Secretary



Rizky Citra Anugrah
People Coordinator



Lachlan Cropley
Culture Coordinator



Agus Firman
Culture Officer



Indah Jenkins
Culture Officer



Rahel Gloria Pranoto
Culture Officer



Maya Willis
Culture Officer



**Pegita Nurina
Salsabila Mars**
People Officer



**Atha Meka
Ailsa Zahra**
People Officer



**Zalsabila
Hasianka**
People Officer



Christine Raharja
People Officer



Saba Ashraf
People Officer



Allya Azka Deviani
People Officer



Operations

Chapter Presidents



Sarah Binney

Australian Capital
Territory



Deva Aryani

West Java



**Abimanyu
Ramadhan**

Jakarta



Matthew Hasjim

New South Wales



**Alexander Alfa Jan
Junior Seran**

East Nusa Tenggara



Ceria Ilona

Queensland



Aldin Shauki

South Australia



**Andi Mustika
Azimah**

South Sulawesi



Lachlan Cropley

Victoria



**Rizky Citra
Anugerah**

Yogyakarta



NAILA

National Australia Indonesia Language Awards



Minh Bui

Finance Coordinator



Sophie Dawson

Programs
Coordinator



Andaleeb Akhand

Partnerships
Coordinator



Wisnu Trianugeraha

Language Team
Coordinator



Christina Amanda

Communications
Coordinator



**Khairun Nisya'
Hasnaniyah**

Programs Officer



Matthew Hasjim

Programs Officer



Iqoh Khanafi

Language Officer



Ashanti Dayani

Language Officer



Anastasia Koo

Partnerships Officer



Charlie Barnes

Partnerships Officer



Bayan Yazdani

Partnerships Officer



Nourman Hakim

IT Officer



Tom Nethersole

Communications
Officer



Kimberly Gunawan

Communications
Officer



Caleb Walmsley

Communications
Officer



Message from the Australian Ambassador to Indonesia

Penny Williams PSM

I would like to congratulate the Australia-Indonesia Youth Association (AIYA) on their achievements in facilitating and maintaining strong people-to-people connections between Australia and Indonesia in 2023. I acknowledge the passion and dedication of the AIYA volunteers in connecting youth from Australia and Indonesia through educational, career development, and social initiatives.

For over ten years, AIYA has played an important role in connecting our youth, and helping to build greater mutual understanding between young Australians and Indonesians. AIYA allows our young people to experience different cultures, ideas, and perspectives, through the National Australia Indonesia Language Awards, Indonesian film screenings in Australia, and Australia-Indonesia career nights.

The Australian Embassy was pleased to host the AIYA Congress 2023 dinner in Jakarta, bringing together youth from both countries to collaborate, inform, and inspire, while also strategically planning for the upcoming year. This event was a valuable opportunity to meet the youth leaders shaping and contributing to the bilateral relationship.

In 2024, as we mark 75 years of Australia-Indonesia diplomatic relations, as well as the 50th Anniversary of the ASEAN-Australia partnership, the Australian Embassy is excited to continue its support for AIYA's initiatives and programs.

Penny Williams PSM
Australian Ambassador





Message from the Indonesian Ambassador to Australia

Siswo Pramono

To the Young Captains of Our Fleet

Dear my AIYA friends,

First and foremost, I would like to extend my gratitude to AIYA and all its members for the unwavering dedication and efforts in fostering invaluable people-to-people connectivity between Indonesia and Australia. It is through your collective endeavours that the bond between our nations continues to flourish, with youth serving as the cornerstone of our bilateral relationship.

In Australia, Generation-Z is accounted for 18.2 percent of the population, millennials is 21 percent. So in total, about 39 percent of the Australian population is a young and productive generation. With the same token, in Indonesia, Generation-Z is about 28 percent while the millennials is about 26 percent. As such, about 54 percent of Indonesia's population is a young and productive generation. Notably, the younger generation in both countries shares a common trait of environmental consciousness.

With such sustainability awareness, this young generation will become the key drivers of the Indonesia-Australia Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (IA-CEPA), laying the foundation for a robust economic alliance between our nations.

In fact, as a region, ASEAN's young people also share the same traits. They play a strategic role both in current and future ASEAN-Australia Strategic Comprehensive Partnerships, in particular in the aspects of sustainability. Melbourne Declaration 2024 calls for young professionals in Australia and Southeast Asia to build experience and strengthen connections. Australia's Southeast Asia Economic Strategy 2040 should be understood from this perspective as well.

As advocates of innovation and creativity, the youth are envisioned to be reservoirs of ideas. AIYA, as one of the youth-focused organisations, has become a solid bridge between both countries in spreading good vibes and friendships through education and cultural events, as well as from language exchange programs, competitions of speech and sports, to academic seminars.





The Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia in Canberra, together with all Indonesian Missions in Australia, are committed to working with AIYA, to connect our youths and promote closer friendships between them. Last year, in 2023, the Indonesian Embassy in Canberra made several collaborations with AIYA in organising cultural-related activities, such as the Gala Dinner, Javanese Gamelan Performance at the Floriade, End of Year Gamelan, as well as the AIYA Gathering and Barbeque. In addition to those activities, AIYA also organised a Javanese Gamelan clinic every Monday at the Indonesian Embassy. Furthermore, the publication of the AIYA Annual is another excellent demonstration of the productive work of AIYA.

AIYA's tremendous initiative makes me confident, as we are entering 75 years of anniversary in our bilateral ties, that the increasing cooperation between the two countries is in good hands. The hands of the young generation that will become our future leaders.

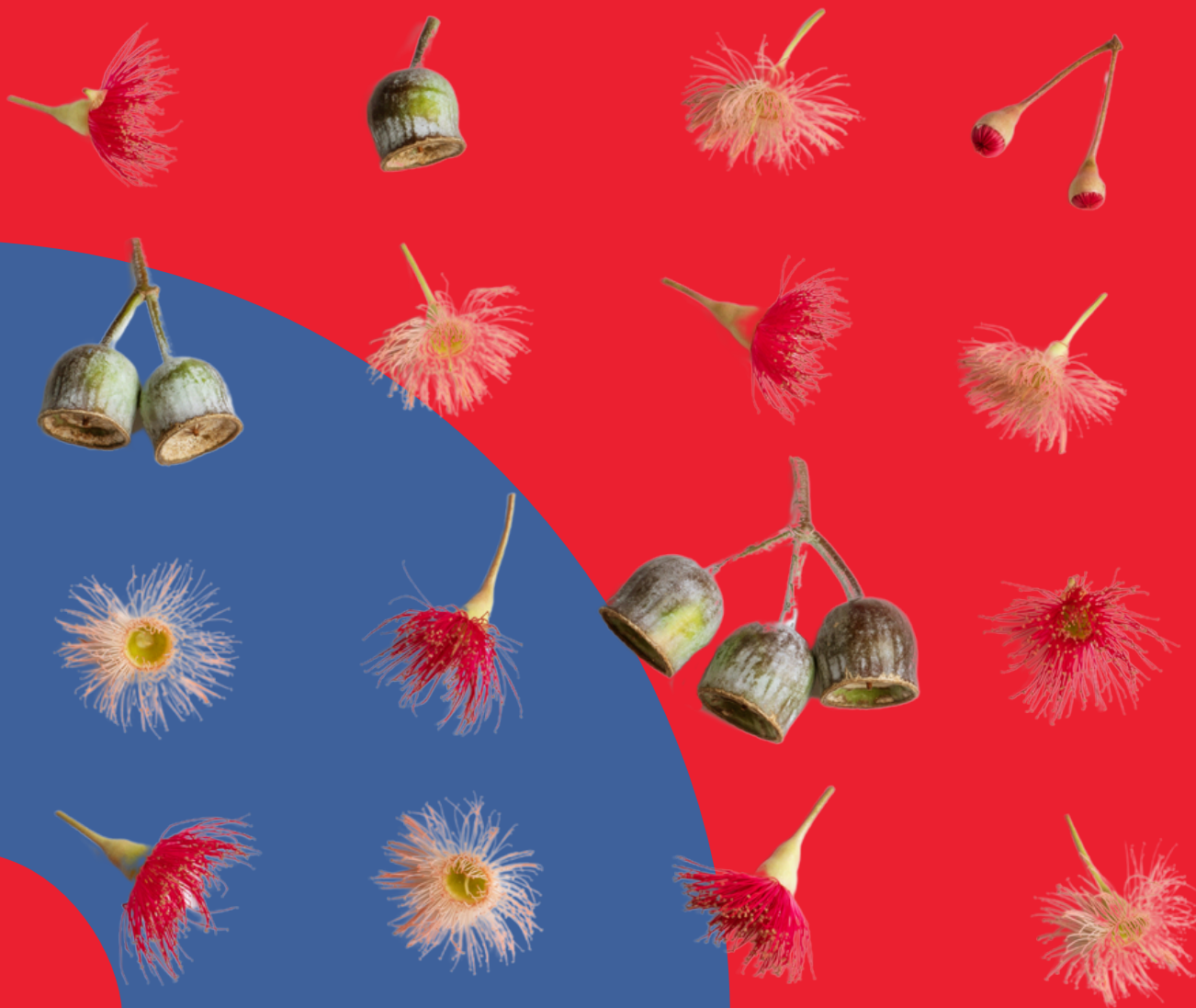
Once again, thank you, AIYA, for your contributions, and I wish you all the very best for the next events in Australia and Indonesia.

Dr. Siswo Pramono
Indonesian Ambassador to Australia





Chapter Updates





Australian Capital Territory



AIYA ACT continued to thrive in 2023. We kicked the year off with a **Welcome Party** at ANU to introduce newcomers to the organisation and community. Our chapter continued partner engagement and collaboration throughout the year. In March, we collaborated with the ANU Indonesia Institute to hold a Student Social night and information session. We also hosted a Chamberlains Law Firm information session at the Institute which discussed student rights in Australia.

We hosted a **Networking Night** with the Australia Indonesia Business Council (AIBC), at which Judy Anderson and Ele Williams gave speeches. The attendees of this event hailed from private, government and academic backgrounds, and it was great to see so many people connecting about the Australia-Indonesia relationship.

Our weekly **Gamelan classes** were started by our extremely dedicated and talented Events Officer Ayuningsih Hancock - she taught 22 music classes through 2023. Her efforts led to amazing performances by the Gamelan Sedulur Monco group at Floriade and the Indonesian Embassy, both of which were attended by Indonesian Ambassador to Australia Pak Siswo Pramono. We hope to continue these performances in 2024.



At the end of the year, AIYA ACT led two events for AIYEP participants in collaboration with Value Learning. We held a fun BBQ picnic by the lake and a tour of Parliament House, which was well received by the AIYEPers who came.



Our **Gala night** was a wonderful success and excellent for AIYA's visibility within the Indonesia-Australia space. Tickets sold out within hours. We had over 60 attendees who enjoyed delicious Indonesian catering, Gamelan and Borobudur Dance Troupe performances and a speech from Pak Siswo. Our sponsor, Penyu Concept, also donated vouchers for a cheeky raffle at the end of the night.



I would like to thank all AIYA ACT volunteers, National team, our partners and sponsors for their dedication and hard work through 2023. May this streak continue through 2024!



Jakarta

In 2022/2023, AIYA Jakarta successfully organised events in collaboration with AIYA National, other AIYA chapters, as well as external organisations. The first major event was the “Case Competition 2023” featuring Dr. Haryadi Darmawan, MM, Associate Professor at Tourism Polytechnic NHI Bandung, David Sihombing from Unilever and our very own AIYA National President, Claudia Wijaya as Judges. The second main event was the Australia Awards Scholarship Preparation Seminar held in April that invited Australia Awards Indonesia (AAI) representatives and former Australia Awards Scholarship (AAS) awardees to come together and celebrate. We also held our AIYA Connect event in collaboration with the Jakarta Bintang AFL; and lastly the “AIYA Picnic” (Piknik AIYA). After seeing the success of the previous committee, several events were available to the public and involved more external parties and the community with the aim of increasing AIYA’s publicity and gaining new members.



Throughout 2023, AIYA Jakarta maintained its momentum by hosting recurring successful events such as the “Carl KoNeksl” (CIKINI), which was attended by 30 participants. This event served as a platform for members to network and engage, inspiring them to continue attending AIYA events in the future. The CIKINI event served as a day where AIYA Jakarta members could meet and get to know one another, engaging in activities such as games and a Q&A session.

Continuing the spirit of dialogue and creative collaboration, we supported AIYA National in organising the ‘ASEAN-Australia Youth Diplomacy Networking Night’ for AIYA’s annual Kongres. This event was also supported by the Monash Herb Feith Indonesian Engagement Centre and the ASEAN-Australia Strategic Youth Partnership (AASYP). This event was attended by 86 participants, and aims to review the 50-year relationship of ASEAN-Australia with discussions about 1) The current dynamics of the ASEAN-Australia relations as well as future prospects; 2) The roles of youths in strengthening bilateral engagement; 3) Introduction of AIYA. Afterwards, the participants were invited to participate in AIYA Jakarta activities as well as to become members.



Entering the month of Ramadan, AIYA Jakarta held the “AVATAR: AIYA Vibe! Ayo IFTAR” event, attended by 25 participants, which is a break the fast event with the committees and members of AIYA Jakarta. In this event, we hosted several games to strengthen the bonds of AIYA Jakarta members as well as sharing about the various cultures in Indonesia. The duration of the event was approximately 2 hours with an Indonesian feast of Ayam Bakar Khas Solo and Takjil.

We look forward to organising more events in the future to connect, inform, and inspire.



Jawa Barat

AIYA Jawa Barat chapter managed to hold a variety of events in 2023 despite the challenges that came from both internal and external aspects.

The AIYA Jawa Barat Chapter in 2023 began with 9 committee members that were adaptable and resilient to changes and challenges, to successfully create many events during this time period.

Language Exchange (LX) has always been a crucial part for AIYA members by facilitating people to practise their English while socialising and sharing some of their experiences with others. Therefore, we always includes LX as a monthly event. This year, we found it pretty challenging to gather the same number of participants for each of our LXs.

Despite the challenges of higher crowd engagement, the AIYA Jawa Barat Chapter successfully hosted engaging and interactive events, such as the "Make Your Own Chocolate" workshop for Valentine's Day and a "Trick or Treat" event for Halloween. These events attracted the highest number of participants, highlighting their popularity and success.



It wasn't just the LXs; AIYA Jawa Barat also successfully collaborated online with Ivy League Bandung for a sharing session on Australia Awards Scholarship preparation that was very informative and assisted many AIYA members.

AIYA Jawa Barat had faced some challenging event logistics throughout the year, however was still able to have the Australian Consortium for In-Country Indonesian Studies (ACICIS) students and other exchange students join their events in the second half of the year.

Thanks to the dedication and hard work of our incredible committee members, who supported us throughout the 2023 period, all of AIYA Jawa Barat's events were a success.

Overall, AIYA Jawa Barat is a remarkable chapter that navigates its challenges with resilience and grace. The chapter is poised to continue creating meaningful and engaging events in the future, aiming to connect, inform, and inspire the youth of Jawa Barat.





New South Wales

2023 was a massive year for AIYA NSW, with a dedicated team of committee members and full calendar of events. In May, we were excited to celebrate our 10 year anniversary with a gala dinner hosted by the Consulate General. This event was an opportunity to celebrate and reflect on the achievements of AIYA NSW since 2013.



Education

Weekly Language Exchange has continued to be a cornerstone event of the Education team and has been increasingly successful in 2023, with continued strong attendance each week.

In July, through our ongoing collaboration with the Indonesian Studies Working Group and Indonesian teachers in Sydney, AIYA NSW helped host an Indonesia in Action Day at the University of Sydney. This event was an opportunity for over 120 high school students from schools across Sydney to participate in cultural and language activities and showcase the importance of learning Indonesian.



Moreover, AIYA NSW committee members volunteered at the **HSC Speaking Workshop**, an opportunity for Year 12 students studying Indonesian to practise prior to their oral exam and the NSW School of Languages Indonesian workshop. AIYA NSW continues to prioritise actions and events to combat the declining study of Indonesian language in Sydney.





Social-Cultural



In November, in collaboration with Lamunan Studio, AIYA NSW cohosted the Sydney premiere of **Petualangan Sherina 2**. The screening was sold out with over 600 attendees and included a live Q&A with the cast and crew.

One of the key events for the Social-Cultural team was the **'Stepathon Challenge: 2 Weeks to Canberra'** which saw teams compete to clock up their daily steps and complete a variety of bonus challenges, with some very competitive participants!

At the end of 2023, AIYA NSW hosted our annual **Malam Trivia** in conjunction with Value Learning and the Australia-Indonesia Youth Exchange Program (AIYEP). We were excited to invite the 2023 Indonesian AIYEP delegates to our Malam Trivia and the event was well attended, with over 50 people sharing Indonesian and Australian food and testing their general knowledge.

Professional Programs

The Professional Programs team hosted a **'Startups Demystified'** panel and networking event in April that provided a range of perspectives on creating and managing a startup. In July, the team hosted our annual 'Malam Karier' at Sydney Knowledge Hub with the theme 'Navigating the Job Landscape in the Age of AI Revolution'. This event included a panel discussion, workshop and networking session and provided attendees with an opportunity to expand their network and hear from a variety of speakers on the potential impact of AI now and in the future.

These events and initiatives would not have been possible without the hard work and dedication of our incredible committee members and the support of our partner organisations. The AIYA NSW team would like to thank everyone who has supported and attended our events in 2023!





Nusa Tenggara Timur

The implementation of several AIYA Nusa Tenggara Timur (NTT) activities in 2023 has run smoothly, even through the challenges along the way.

AIYA NTT successfully completed three key programs. For the Language Exchange, AIYA NTT organised an internal chapter exchange and collaborated with AIYA Yogyakarta and AIYA New South Wales, attracting over 10 participants. In the sharing session program, AIYA NTT held a socialisation event about AIYA, which was attended by more than 200 participants, as well as workshops and youth webinars on pursuing dreams, improving English skills, and an Australia Awards Scholarship sharing session.

For social projects, AIYA NTT partnered with Mutiara Waste Bank and Nature Lovers Student Group of Nusa Cendana University (Mapala Undana) for beach clean-up activities and tree planting around the university. Additionally, AIYA NTT gained around 30 paid members, further strengthening the chapter's engagement.





Despite the many successes we have achieved, AIYA NTT encountered several challenges that provide valuable opportunities for growth and improvement. We look forward to 2024 and all the fun and challenges that will come with it.





Queensland

In 2023, our journey at AIYA Queensland (QLD) was marked by community engagement, skill development, and cultural celebration. We started off with a welcoming event while **celebrating International Women's Day**. This event not only gave us a sense of community, but also set the tone for a year filled with exciting activities and initiatives. One of our commitments to promoting language exchange was the **Kelas Bahasa**, hosted at the University of Queensland in collaboration with University of Queensland Indonesian Student Association (UQISA). This event provided a space for participants to engage in Bahasa Indonesia and exchange language learning tips.



In May, we organised a **walk trail** from the iconic Wheel of Brisbane to New Farm, along the riverside. We not only enjoyed the beauty of the city, but also made a pit stop at a renowned Brisbane bakery and enjoyed some croissants! We also facilitated a **CV skills workshop** conducted by Sheany Sabila, a recruitment consultant. The workshop focused on refining CVs and included mock interviews to empower participants with valuable insights into the job application process. During the mid-exam period, we collaborated with Indonesian Student Association of QUT (ISAQ) to **provide a conducive study space for students** and provide drinks and snacks to support our members during stressful times.



We actively participated in the celebration of **Indonesian Independence Day**, providing members with an opportunity to join the IndoOz conference. Ticket giveaways on social media resulted in two lucky individuals joining the conference, broadening their perspectives on Indonesia and Australia relationships and fostering international connections. Cultural enrichment continued with a **dance workshop** conducted by Likok Pulo BNE, offering participants the chance to learn Indonesian traditional dance forms.

This not only added a cultural dimension to our events but also promoted appreciation for Indonesia's rich heritage. We had great opportunities such as the **Networking Trivia Night** at KPMG and a **Sherina movie screening** in Brisbane which are our highlights for this year. These events not only provided valuable networking opportunities but also enriched the cultural experiences of our members.

With our dedicated team of seven, we successfully managed a diverse range of events throughout the year, overcoming challenges and fostering a sense of community. Looking back on 2023, we celebrate our achievements in promoting cultural exchange, professional development, and social engagement. As the year comes to a close, AIYA Queensland is **optimistic about the future**.

The team remains committed to improving and increasing awareness and engagement of AIYA in Queensland. We look forward to building on the successes of 2023 and continuing to connect, collaborate, and benefit its members in the coming year, 2024.

Here's to another year of growth, inspiration, and meaningful connections for our AIYA community!





South Australia

2023 saw some good work being done by AIYA's South Australian team, with the branch seeing growth in its committee members and the successful celebration of Indonesian and Australian cultures alongside the implementation of new programs. The team worked to connect Adelaide's Indonesian and Australian communities together primarily through a shared love of food, and much gorengan and sambal was consumed in the name of bilateral connectivity.

Special events were held to celebrate significant days in Indonesian and Australian tradition, and the team assisted in the smooth running of 2023's Indofest, working in collaboration with South Australia's Australia-Indonesia Association.

The team also worked to increase connectivity with Adelaide University's Perhimpunan Pelajar Indonesia-Australia (PPIA), orchestrating a Memorandum of Understanding outlining continued cooperation and knowledge sharing, which will lay the ground-work for a more connected community in the future.

Building from this relationship, the year's flagship program was the initiation of the 'Buddy Program', which saw Australian Bahasa-learners being paired with Indonesian students in a language-exchange program. This was an excellent opportunity for students to get to know each other while creating lasting friendships and enhancing knowledge of their counterpart's language and culture.



The success of this program in connecting young Australians and Indonesians is noted and the committee looks forward to returning this program to service in the 2024 period.

The formation of multiple points of contact between Adelaide's Indonesian and Australian communities, as well as enhanced coordination between groups, is something which is aimed at benefiting future generations of AIYA SA committee members and the chapter as-a-whole. The 2023 team can take great pride in being able to contribute to the continued success of AIYA's goals into the future.

Salam Hangat,



South Australia



Sulawesi Selatan

2023 was an exciting year for AIYA Sulawesi Selatan. After two years of navigating the pandemic with mostly online activities, we were finally able to transition to offline events, reconnecting the youth of South Sulawesi—particularly in Makassar—with opportunities related to Australia and Indonesia. Our goal this year was to grow our chapter and promote AIYA to young people across the region by hosting engaging in-person events to spark their interest in joining.

We kicked off the year with a series of introductory activities, including a committee introduction from AIYA Sulawesi Selatan 2022-2023, an LPDP sharing session, and a Canva training workshop.

The committee introductions and LPDP session were held offline at a university in Makassar, in collaboration with the campus, to introduce AIYA to students and broaden our reach.

In March, we organised a Language Exchange event at Fort Rotterdam, one of Makassar's historical landmarks. The session focused on effective strategies for building and utilising networks to pursue study or work opportunities, creating a meaningful platform for participants to engage and learn.

To capture the interest of young people in AIYA, we organised several educational events open to the public. These included an Australia Awards Scholarship Preparation Seminar in April, a Working Holiday Visa in Australia sharing session in May, and an IELTS Listening and Reading Skills Training. In addition, we hosted fun activities such as Colouring Day, Bead Crafting, and a museum trip as bonding events to engage both our members and newcomers.



One of the key highlights of 2023 was AIYA Sulawesi Selatan's opportunity to volunteer at the Australia Alumni Gala Dinner, organised by the Australian Consulate General. This gave us the chance to connect with Australian alumni and build strong relationships with the Australian Consulate General in Makassar, which has continuously supported our chapter's activities by involving AIYA members in numerous events.

We concluded the year with the "AIYA Goes to Campus" event at Universitas Hasanuddin. This event aimed to introduce AIYA to students through presentations, sharing sessions, and discussions about the benefits of being involved in a non-profit organisation, particularly AIYA. The event wrapped up with fun and competitive Kahoot games, covering a variety of topics from general trivia to Australia-Indonesia bilateral relations, designed to boost the students' knowledge and interest in AIYA in an engaging and interactive way.

Looking ahead to 2024, we are eager to see AIYA Sulawesi Selatan continue to grow and thrive by connecting, informing, and inspiring the youth of South Sulawesi. We hope to strengthen our relationships with both AIYA chapters and external organisations, providing our members and volunteers with valuable opportunities. Additionally, we aim to organise more impactful and enjoyable activities that not only foster connections but also encourage youth engagement, empowering them to become future agents of change.





Victoria

In 2023, **AIYA Victoria held the most events out of any AIYA chapter**, continued to prove its adaptability and openness to new ideas and collaborations, and showcased its status as a tenacious chapter within the Australia-Indonesia Youth Association.

In reflection, 2023 was a rather **unorthodox year**, as Chapter President Lachy mostly presided from Canberra. Lessons were certainly learned, and the 2023 committee demonstrated passion and perseverance in adapting to new circumstances and generating a steady flow of events throughout the year. It is also a testament towards the partnership between Lachlan and Vice President Angus, who lead the committee through these unconventional circumstances.



On a separate note, our committee leadership has always been a team player amongst other AIYA branches. To this effect, in 2023, we are proud to have donated over AUD 10000 towards AIYA National and other AIYA branches to help them continue their operations into the future.



We look forward to finding new ways to collaborate with our amazing colleagues across Australia and Indonesia and mutually support one another.



Language Exchange (LX) once again proved to be one of our most engaging events, providing a weekly opportunity for AIYA members, students and the broader community to practise their English and Bahasa Indonesia skills. We also experimented more with facilitating online game night collaborations with AIYA NSW and have continued to brainstorm new methods of member engagement.

We also continued to collaborate with the Krakatoas Football Club through an AFL practice session and a Grand Final watch party at KJRI Melbourne. Both the Krakatoas and KJRI Melbourne staff continue to be some of our biggest supporters, and we are immensely grateful for their generosity.

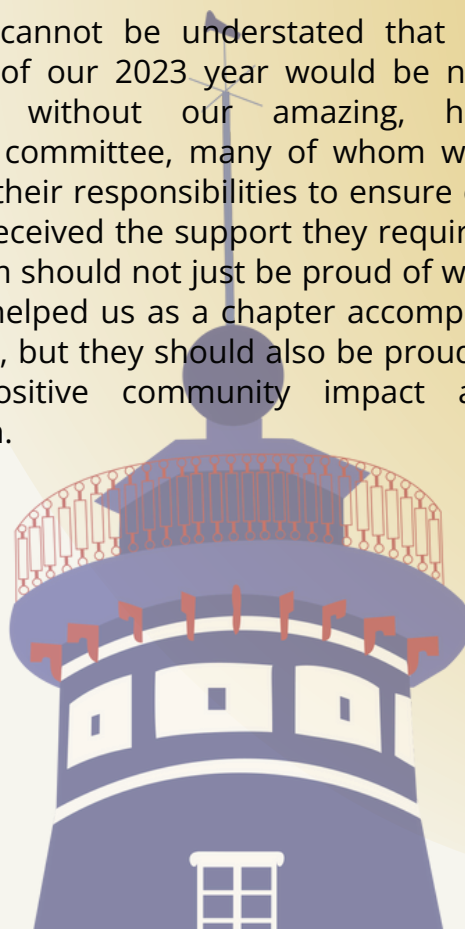
Last year was also filled with some incredibly ambitious collaborations, namely our collaboration with PPIA Victoria on IKAN 2023 and our collaboration with Miles Productions, Lamunan Studios and AIYA National to facilitate an Australian tour of the hit Indonesian film *Petualangan Sherina 2* (Sherina's Journey 2).

Our collaboration with PPIA Victoria to deliver both an Indonesian Literary Symposium, as well as a Gamelan and Wayang day will remain one of our Chapter's biggest collaborations, and we have already begun discussions about its potential continuity into 2024.



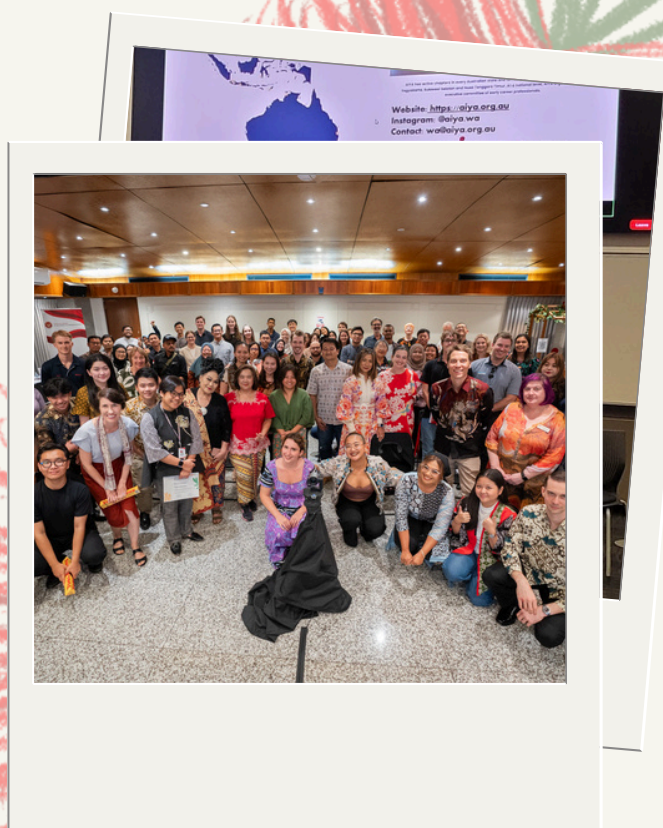
Equally as exciting was our committee's hard work in developing, coordinating and facilitating a film screening of *Petualangan Sherina 2* at Lido Cinemas in Melbourne. This was our most attended event of the year, with well over 500 people attending over two screenings, and it highlighted the massive Indonesian diaspora network within Melbourne and their strong desire to see more Indonesian films in Australian cinemas.

It truly cannot be understated that the success of our 2023 year would be non-existent without our amazing, hard working committee, many of whom went beyond their responsibilities to ensure our events received the support they required. The team should not just be proud of what they've helped us as a chapter accomplish this year, but they should also be proud of their positive community impact and outreach.





Western Australia



After a period of hibernation due to various reasons, such as the pandemic, AIYA National, in partnership with the Consulate General of the Republic of Indonesia in Perth, Western Australia (WA), agreed on the importance and niche that the Australia-Indonesia Youth Association would occupy in Perth. After an initial meeting early in 2023, recruitment was underway, seeking to fill numerous executive and operational positions within AIYA WA. As a result of that recruitment, Anastasia Koo was appointed as President, Dhiya Aisy as Vice President, and Natasha Tjemerlang as our Communications Officer. Between the three of us we worked hard to promote AIYA WA awareness at the start of semester events hosted by other student groups in 2024.

Early on, we decided the importance of a relaunch event, serving as a “grand re-establishment” of sorts to ensure the exposure of AIYA WA considering most young people within the Australia Indonesia nexus (in Perth) had not heard of AIYA. Anastasia and Aisy met with Ibu Listiana Operananta, Consul-General of the Republic of Indonesia in Perth, to further discuss support and collaboration with KJRI Perth. From there AIYA WA hosted a successful relaunch at KJRI named ‘AIYA WA Relaunch: Westward Bound’.

We reconnected with organisations AIYA WA had previously worked with and established new bonds, while garnering interest from the youth community who understand the importance of connection and community within the Australia-Indonesia bilateral space.



Having previously decided that we would push further recruitment at the event and close applications after, we secured a very high calibre team of 14. The team consists of past exchange students, Indonesian language students, Australians with Indonesian heritage and Indonesian international students.

With this diverse and highly competent group of passionate youth, we look forward to holding consistent social events as well as push for the ambitious task of running an annual Australia-Indonesia Quiz/Trivia night. Our social events will encompass language exchanges, sports activities, dance classes, and outings. With the support we have from the community, like-minded organisations, and passionate people, we look forward to where we can go in 2024, and to ensure the longevity of AIYA WA.



43

KODAK PORTRA 400



KODAK PORTRA 400



43

KODAK PORTRA 400



Yogyakarta

In 2023, AIYA Yogyakarta held many amazing events, all of which were challenging but fun.

At AIYA Yogyakarta, our main event during 2023 was the Language Exchange (LX). We were able to hold LX on five different occasions with amazing topics both offline and online. By running the LXs, we had several members to join us from Australia and Indonesia, which engaged both countries. The AIYA Yogyakarta President and the rest of the committee took turns as the facilitators and did a great job at facilitating LX.

One of our stand-out events for 2023 was a collaboration with the Conference of Australian and Indonesian Youth (CAUSINDY), where we helped to facilitate one of their programs called “Engaging Future Leaders”. We were involved in conducting the Gala Dinner with the embassy to celebrate 70-years of the Australia-Indonesia bilateral relationship. Dressed up in traditional Batik, we had the opportunity to get to know many amazing people, and learn about diplomacy. We also had a chance to taste some Australian beef, which was just amazing! All committee members worked hard to collaborate for this event.





Furthermore, as AIYA Yogyakarta is such an active chapter in Indonesia, we had many other collaboration opportunities, such as collaborating with Australian Consortium For In-Country Indonesian Studies (ACICIS) at the NGOs Fair, and ReelOzInd at their Film Festival. Moreover, our Socio-Cultural team worked hard to host and facilitate amazing cross-cultural events. These included "Ngabubufun", where we introduced Ramadan culture in Yogyakarta to Australians, a cultural exchange event with AIYA NTT, and "Chills & Thrills", which was a Halloween event designed to introduce Indonesian food and Australian culture to our members.

We have had an amazing year of events. All our committee members worked really hard in making sure they happened and we are so proud. They deserve all the best and are the reason behind our success. We, AIYA Yogyakarta, are proud of our achievements in 2023!



NAILA 2023

On Saturday, 2 December, the winners of the National Australia Indonesia Language Awards (NAILA) 2023 were recognised at the NAILA Awards Ceremony in Glebe Town Hall, Sydney.

NAILA is an annual speech competition for young Australians who are learning Indonesian.

The competition is open to students in primary school, secondary school and university and young professionals. To enter the competition, contestants film themselves delivering a speech on a particular theme in Indonesian. These speeches are then evaluated by an independent panel of expert judges.

The theme for NAILA 2023 was “Food/Makanan” with the question being “How does food bring communities together?” This year NAILA received 86 submissions across 7 award categories.

The NAILA Awards Ceremony was the culmination of a day of cultural immersion for the awardees who come from across Australia, including the Australian Capital Territory, New South Wales, Victoria, Western Australia, and Tasmania.

Commencing the day at the Indonesian Consulate General in Sydney, awardees and their families had the opportunity to meet the Indonesian Consul General Vedi Kurnia Buana and his wife Fanny Erlita Buana, take part in a dance workshop led by Suara Indonesia Dance Group, play traditional Indonesian games including makan kerupuk (cracker eating game) and pulpen dalam botol (pen in bottle game) and learn how to make klepon, a traditional Indonesian green rice cake.





At the Awards Ceremony, each of the winners were presented their trophies and certificates by the NAILA judges and partners, following which they delivered their acceptance speeches in Indonesian. The winner of each award category also receives a cash prize.

NAILA also hosted the presentation of the Australia-Indonesia Institute (All) Indonesian Studies Awards. These awards recognise the achievements and contributions of Indonesian language teachers, researchers and leaders in Indonesian cultural outreach in Australia. All of the recipients have worked in their respective fields for many years and often decades to promote Indonesian Studies in Australia.

At the conclusion of the event, Co-Director Jade Lee revealed the theme for NAILA 2024 which will be "Innovation/Inovasi", following which the audience were treated to a captivating performance by Suara Indonesia Dance Group.

Congratulations to all our winners and to everyone involved in helping make the event such a great success.



NAILA 2023 Awards Recipients

Early Primary
Upper Primary
Middle
Senior
Tertiary
Executive
People's Choice

Phlynn Pascual (Aveley Primary School, Western Australia)
Lucas Macfarlane (East Manjimup Primary School, Western Australia)
Hope Brown (Lyneham High School, Australian Capital Territory)
Sophie Wherrett (Calvin Christian School, Tasmania)
Nandira Xavier (Monash University, Victoria)
Kartika Brand (The Scots College, New South Wales)
Tebak Makanan (Laura Prior, Amelia Dawson, Tilley Barges and Lila Pitt from Trinity Christian School, Australian Capital Territory)

All Indonesian Studies Awards Recipients

Indonesian Studies and Cultural Leadership Award

Murtala
(Suara Indonesia Dance Group, New South Wales)

Indonesian Studies and Cultural Leadership Award

Karen Bailey OAM
(Western Australia)

Indonesian Language Teaching Award

Erica Lowing (Victoria)

Indonesian Language Teaching Award

Brendon Cook (John Septimus Roe Anglican Community School, Western Australia)

Indonesian Language Teaching Award

Alan Blake
(Macarthur Anglican School, New South Wales)

Indonesian Language Teaching Award

I Nyoman Putrayasa
(Macarthur Anglican School, New South Wales)

Distinguished Service Award for Indonesian Studies

Professor George Quinn (The Australian National University, Australian Capital Territory)



From left to right: Elena Williams (Australia-Indonesia Institute), Lydia Santoso (Australia-Indonesia Institute), Hope Brown (Lyneham High School, ACT), Alan Blake (Macarthur Anglican School, NSW), Indonesian Consul General Vedi Kurnia Buana (Consulate General of the Republic of Indonesia in Sydney), Karen Bailey, Phlynn Pascual (Aveley Primary School, WA), Lucas Macfarlane (East Manjimup Primary School, WA), Brendon Cook (John Septimus Roe Anglican Community School, WA), Sophie Wherrett (Calvin Christian School, TAS), Professor George Quinn (The Australian National University, ACT), Armina Rosenberg (Australia-Indonesia Institute), Kartika Brand (The Scots College, NSW), Erica Lowing

AIYA KONGRES 2023

Article by Andaleeb Akhand – 2023 Kongres Convenor

Every year since 2020, AIYA has been hosting Kongres, our annual conference, in both Australia and Indonesia to bring together our volunteers from different states and provinces to meet in-person, attend cultural and skills workshops, hear updates from various AIYA departments and participate in events. Our Kongres occurred from March 3rd to 5th, 2023 in Melbourne, Australia and March 10th to 12th, 2023 in Jakarta, Indonesia. Attendees included our Board of Directors, Chapter Presidents and Officers from our National and Chapter Teams based in the host cities.

Melbourne, Australia

3-5 March 2023

Kongres Melbourne commenced on Friday March 3rd with Opening Addresses from National President Clarice Campbell and Monash Herb Feith Centre Director Sharyn Davies. Following a networking lunch, Kongres participants, along with Monash students and staff, attended a panel discussion on “Indonesia: Challenges & Opportunities in 2023”. In a wide-ranging discussion, moderator Andaleeb Akhand (Kongres Convenor) discussed political, economic and security challenges facing Indonesia with panellists Professor Edward Buckingham (Director of Engagement, Monash Business School), Dr Nadirsyah Hosen (Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Law, Monash University) and Dr Jemma Purdey (Research Fellow, Australia-Indonesia Centre).

On Friday evening, AIYA executive members joined Indonesian community leaders and Indonesian Consulate representatives for a Gala Dinner celebrating AIYA’s 10 Year Anniversary. Attendees enjoyed a delicious Indonesian buffet dinner while watching enchanting performances by Indonesian dance group Sanggar Lestari, taking part in an Indonesian trivia competition and competing in a lucky draw. It was a great night for making new connections with attendees and celebrating everything that AIYA has accomplished since its inception in 2011.

On Saturday, AIYA executive members heard updates from the various teams within AIYA and from Chapters around Australia regarding planned events and programs for 2023. AIYA also took part in a Young Professionals Roundtable hosted by the Australia-Indonesia Centre. Dr. Ir. Mohammad Rudy Salahuddin MEM, Indonesian Deputy Minister for Digital Economy, Manpower, Micro and Small to Medium Enterprises and his delegation, shared their learnings from the Kartu Prakerja Program, an initiative that has helped connect 16 million Indonesians with better employment opportunities.

On Saturday evening, Kongres participants and representatives from a number of youth advocacy organisations in Melbourne attended the Asia-Australia Youth Diplomacy Networking Night. Moderator Lachlan Cropley (Victoria Chapter President) facilitated an engaging panel discussion with representatives from organisations including the Australia-Japan Youth Dialogue (AJYD), Australia-Vietnam Leadership Dialogue (AVLD), ASEAN-Australia Strategic Youth Partnership (AASYP) and AIYA. It was great to be able to hear from emerging leaders on how their journeys in volunteering began, insights on leveraging youth diplomacy experience professionally, and their career paths. Following the panel discussion, attendees were able to relax and mingle during the networking session while enjoying Turkish pide.

On Sunday morning, participants received certificates of appreciation from Clarice Campbell, provided feedback and undertook a brainstorming session to address critical issues facing AIYA as an organisation, before heading back to our respective states.



Jakarta, Indonesia

10-12 March 2023

Kongres Jakarta kicked off with an Official Welcome by AIYA National President Clarice Campbell, followed by attendees enjoying delicious Padang dishes over a networking lunch. After lunch and Friday prayers, AIYA committee members took part in a pottery workshop at the Museum of Fine Arts and Ceramics, led by a museum instructor. Participants displayed great artistic skill, creating many amazing shapes and designs.

On Friday evening, AIYA committee members joined the Australian Embassy in Jakarta's Chargés d'affaires Steve Scott and Embassy representatives at the Ambassador's Official Residence for the annual AIYA Kongres Dinner. This was a great opportunity to relax and strengthen AIYA's connections with Australia's diplomatic corps based in Indonesia, concluding the first day of Kongres.

On Saturday, AIYA committee members heard updates from the various teams at AIYA and from Chapters around Indonesia regarding planned events and programs for 2023.

Saturday evening featured a Malam Karier and Networking Dinner themed "Life after Graduation: Career or Further Education?". Attendees heard from speakers Jesslyn Valentina (Global Graduate, Ramsay Health Care), Angga Pramanda (HR Manager) and Siti Mahdaria (CEO Coach Potato, Australia Awards Scholarship Awardee) in a vibrant panel discussion moderated by Wisnu Trianugeraha (National People Officer). Following the panel discussion, attendees and speakers took part in an interactive networking session over refreshments.

Kongres Jakarta concluded on Sunday morning with a Tim Tam Blind Taste competition, where participants were blindfolded and had to guess the flavour of the Tim Tam biscuits. Kongres participants also had the opportunity to provide feedback and receive certificates of appreciation from Clarice Campbell.



We would like to thank our sponsors, supporters and facilitators for all their help in making Kongres 2023 such a success. Without their support, it would not have been possible to organise such a large conference across two countries for the Australia-Indonesia community.

2023 Committee

Kongres Convenor: Andaleeb Akhand

Kongres Convenor: Sofiya Khan

Kongres Convenor: Rahel Gloria Pranoto

Kongres Convenor: Fikry Azmy Ananda

National President: Clarice Campbell

National Treasurer: Joshua Sutedjo

Finance Officer: Bima Aryuna

Operations Director: Emily Heng

Victoria Chapter President: Lachlan Cropley

Victoria Chapter Vice-President: Angus Baranikow



DIGITAL OPERATIONS PORTFOLIO

Digital Events

Our Digital Events team organised a well-attended Indonesian Independence Day Celebration. Attendees bonded over a show-and-tell, where people showed items of personal significance and told stories that reminded them of Indonesia. It was wonderful to see a diverse range of people across Indonesia and Australia, with a sea of people wearing red and white. Overall, the online event was the perfect way to celebrate Independence Day, with a bit of Indonesian traditional touch, with the best-dressed participant and the trivia game winner both winning a special prize!

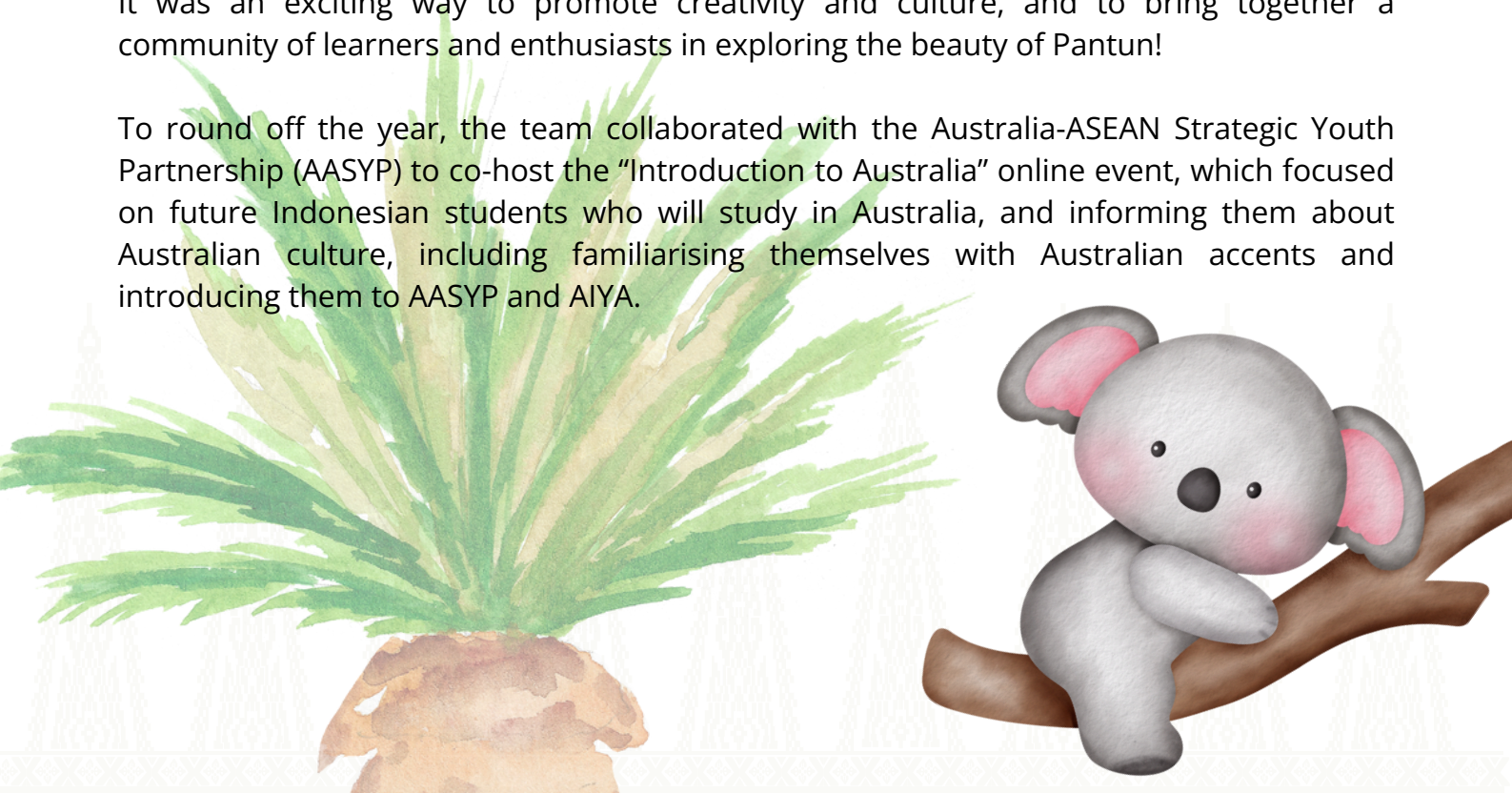
Digital Education

The Digital Education team have been expanding their footprint, by facilitating new events aimed at promoting Indonesian language and literature, and by further collaborating with AIYA Chapters and external organisations.

Flexible Language Exchange, now in its fourth year, remains the team's flagship initiative, bringing together Indonesian and Australian Chapters every month, and giving the youth across both countries the opportunity to test out their Bahasa Indonesia or English.

We also organised a public Pantun workshop, co-hosted with the Duta Bahasa Riau 2022. It was an exciting way to promote creativity and culture, and to bring together a community of learners and enthusiasts in exploring the beauty of Pantun!

To round off the year, the team collaborated with the Australia-ASEAN Strategic Youth Partnership (AASYP) to co-host the "Introduction to Australia" online event, which focused on future Indonesian students who will study in Australia, and informing them about Australian culture, including familiarising themselves with Australian accents and introducing them to AASYP and AIYA.



DIGITAL OPERATIONS PORTFOLIO

2023 Committee

Operations Coordinator (Digital)

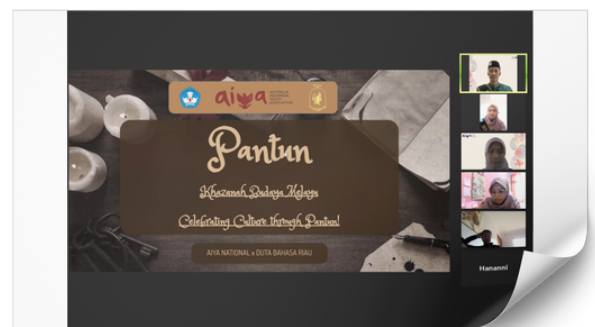
- Adila Salma Khansa

Digital Events Officer

- Pritta Maharani
- Michelle Bianca Rosalia Sumakul
- Fara Shamara
- Patricia Elizabeth

Digital Education Officer

- Bening Wismawarin
- Thomas Farmer
- Noviachri Imroatul Sadiyah



SPECIAL PROJECTS PORTFOLIO



Women's Empowerment Team

The Women's Empowerment team started the 2023 schedule strong, with an International Women's Day Games Night, highlighting a number of powerful Australian and Indonesian women in the fields of sport, politics and pop culture.

Next was followed by a series of Hari Kartini events. In collaboration with the Digital Operations team, presented a photo and video competition that saw AIYA members explain how they celebrate Hari Kartini in the spirit of women's empowerment and equality. The winners were announced the following week at the Hari Kartini Social Night. The event also was dedicated to learning about Kartini's inspiring legacy and her contributions to women's rights and education.

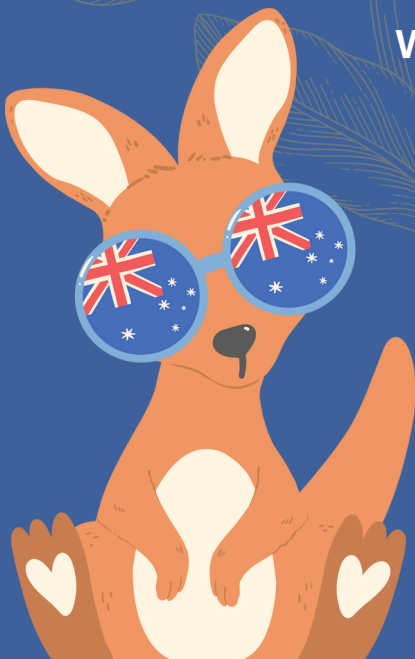
2023 Committee

Women's Empowerment Coordinator

Raissa Raniah

Women's Empowerment Officer

Nadia F. Romadhona
Katherine Durban
Qory Fizrianti Sitepu
Samara Welbourne
Tyler Connelly
Jazmin Wright
Madeleine Dawkins





Kumpul Cultural Diversity Team

This year, the Kumpul team rebranded into the Kumpul Cultural Diversity team, intending to highlight perspectives of Australia's multicultural history as well as celebrate aspects of Indonesia's multiethnic society. Kumpul held its first book club event of the year, centred around the book "The Ballad of Abdul Wade". The book delved into a lesser-known story of Australia's colonial history from the perspective of Afghan cameleers vital to Australia's transportation networks during the time of colonisation.

A special National Aboriginal and Islanders Day Observance Committee (NAIDOC) week webinar was held in July, which focused on collaborations between Australian and Indonesian literature in memory of the late Lily Yulianti Farid, who was a distinguished writer and academic in the Australia-Indonesia space. The team invited two of Lily Yulianti Farid's counterparts, Ibu Yacinta Kurnianingsih from Monash University and Riri Riza, a film director, to speak about her contributions and influences on cross-cultural literature.

2023 Committee

Kumpul Coordinator

Rohan Iyer

Kumpul Officer

Novie I. Laura Manurung
Anggi Nurqonita
Azizah Saffa
Pradisty Setiabudi





PEOPLE AND CULTURE TEAM

The P&C Team streamlines the volunteer experience from recruitment, inductions, skills workshops, bonding nights, and exit processes. Comprising two specialised teams—the People Committee and Culture Committee—we recognize the importance of having these teams to assist AIYA's extensive portfolios. As such, in 2023 we scaled up our operations by recruiting more volunteers and even created a new sub team under the Culture Portfolio named the GEDSI Taskforce.

People Committee

The People Committee ensures the major milestones of the volunteer lifecycle (recruitment, induction, and exit processes) are completed within a timely and professional manner. This year marks the first year that the People Committee led by Rizky Citra Anugrah as People Coordinator.

Culture Committee

The Culture Committee monitors the general volunteer culture of AIYA by conducting workshops and bonding events to maintain volunteers' overall engagement.

Additionally, they also conduct Missing-in-Action processes to understand our volunteers' availability and are involved in the Exit Interview and general Offboarding processes. Similarly, this is the first time a Culture Coordinator (Lachlan Cropley) is recruited to lead the team.





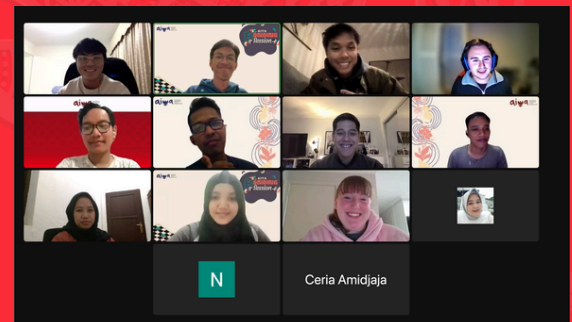
General Induction

General Induction acquaints new volunteers with AIYA's values and policies. Coordinated by both People and Culture Coordinators under the supervision of the Company Secretary, these sessions are conducted both online and in-person, where feasible.



Bonding Nights

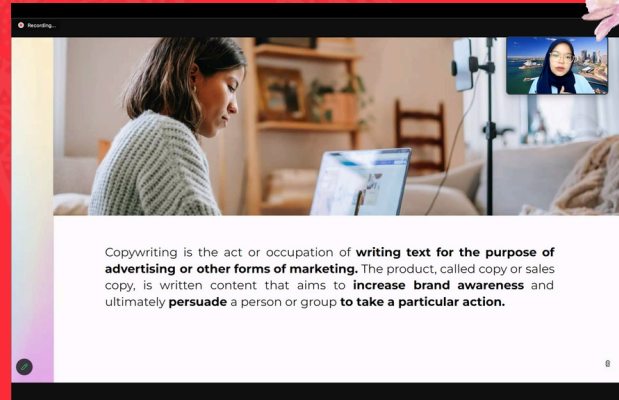
Recognising the importance of community building, the P&C Team created Bonding Events to facilitate connections between AIYA volunteers across Chapters and National. This event intends to forge stronger friendships within AIYA through quizzes, games, and other fun activities.





Training

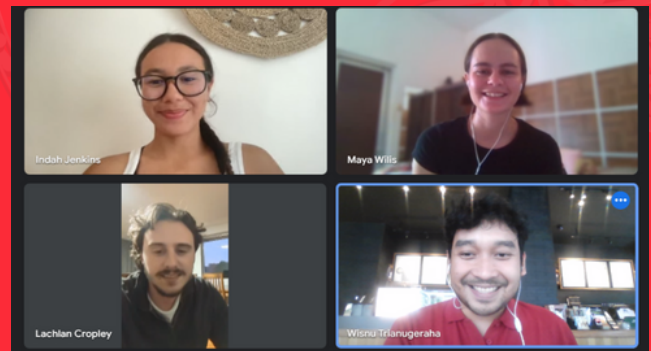
The P&C Team also provides training and development to upskill volunteers on software suites that AIYA uses.



In 2023, we also conducted an extra workshop on Copywriting, featuring an external trainer to enhance our volunteers' skills in crafting persuasive and engaging sales copy.

GEDSI Taskforce

Sitting under the Culture Portfolio, the Gender Equality, Disability and Social Inclusion (GEDSI) Taskforce is created to cultivate and mainstream inclusive values within AIYA's culture. By creating events and campaigns on social inclusivity, the team hopes to generate respectful and critical discussions among our volunteers in nuanced context.



As this is a relatively new team, the GEDSI Task Force is still in the process of setting their agenda for the coming year and so stay tuned for their future initiatives!

2023 Committee

The 2023 AIYA's committee consist of Claudia Wijaya, Bima Aryuna, Wisnu Trianugeraha, Zalsabila Hasianka, Agus Firman, Atha Zahra, Zafira Amani, Alifia Afflatus Zahra, Regita Nurina Salsabila Mars, and Alberto Selan.

2024 Committee

In 2024, we have Wisnu Trianugeraha, Rizky Citra Anugrah, Lachlan Cropley, Regita Nurina Salsabila Mars, Atha Meka, Zalsabila Hasianka, Christine Raharja, Saba Ashraf, Agus Firman, Indah Jenkins, Rahel Gloria Pranoto, Ahmad Fauzan Haridin, and Maya Willis as our amazing team!

PARTNER TESTIMONIALS

Herb Feith Indonesian Engagement Centre

The Herb Feith Indonesian Engagement Centre has again in 2023 been delighted to support the work of the Australia-Indonesia Youth Association (AIYA). Being based at Monash University, the Centre has the privilege of engaging with many members of AIYA and playing a small role in encouraging our students to join this fantastic organisation. There is nothing more rewarding than seeing our Monash students become active members of AIYA and take on exciting roles in the Australia-Indonesia space when they graduate. The Herb Feith Indonesian Engagement Centre hosted AIYA Kongres 2023 at the Monash Caulfield and Clayton campuses, where we witnessed them share knowledge and foster the Australia-Indonesia connection through the panel on Indonesia's next election and internal workshops.

The relationship between Australia and Indonesia is complex and multifaceted, characterised by a mix of cooperation, historical tensions, and strategic interests. Geographically close, our neighbouring countries share a dynamic relationship. But there is so much work to be done to bring our two countries closer together, not least we need more Australians learning the Indonesian language and travelling beyond Bali. It's great news that Bali is now the number one destination for Australians travelling overseas but Indonesia has so much more to offer beyond this one island.

AIYA plays an important role in this landscape, introducing young Indonesians and Australians to each other's countries and catalysing lifelong connections and friendships. Congratulations AIYA on all that you have achieved in 2023, and we look forward to seeing what's on the horizon for 2024!



MONASH
University

Australia Indonesia Business Council (AIBC)

The Australia Indonesia Business Council (AIBC) is the peak, and serves as a non-profit business association dedicated to promote and facilitate trade and investment between Australia and Indonesia. As a national association, we have branches all around Australia, and actively support and collaborate with AIYA in its activities through the corresponding chapters.

AIBC members strengthen their business through up-to-date information; benefit from business and social networking; and access to a vast business community of professionals with in-depth knowledge and extensive network in both Australia and Indonesia. Throughout the year, AIBC hosted and organised a range of activities, including panel discussions, member meetings, and participation in prestigious events like the CEO Forum in Australia, where we engage with key figures such as Indonesian President Jokowi.

In 2023, we supported AIYA through co-host a catered networking night event with AIYA ACT, namely the 'Young Professionals in Canberra', tailored for early to mid-career individuals with a strong interest in Australia-Indonesia relations or Asia-Pacific regional affairs. The event featured a compelling keynote speech from Ele Williams, Director of Indo-Aus consulting and current PhD student, along with a presentation from AIBC Vice President, Judy Anderson.

We also extended our support to NAILA by sponsoring their efforts in promoting Indonesian Studies in Australia through their language awards, specifically the Executive Award Category.

Looking ahead to 2024, we are excited to announce our AIBC National Conference, set to take place in Sydney, NSW this November.

Lydia Santoso
AIBC Chair NSW

**Australia Indonesia
Business Council**



Australia-Indonesia Centre (AIC)

The Australia-Indonesia Centre (AIC) is a strong supporter of AIYA and its key goal of bringing together young Indonesians and Australians.

It is worth noting that a substantial component of the AIC's work through the Partnership for Australia-Indonesia Research (PAIR) has focused on young people and skills, relevant themes for AIYA.

Support for AIYA has come in a number of forms.

The AIC has provided access to its conference room and kitchen space for AIYA events as 'in-kind' support. AIC staff have also participated in and led AIYA events.

Late last year the AIC hosted a fun Basa-Basi function at its offices at Monash Caulfield, a light-hearted evening of networking and nibbles that was enjoyed by all.

The AIC has enjoyed supporting these gatherings after the long and difficult years of COVID-19 and global pandemic.

The AIC also shares interesting information about AIYA on its social media channels and biweekly media update and is grateful for reciprocal support via AIYA's own channels and newsletter.

The executive director of the AIC, Eugene Sebastian, said the AIC was looking forward to maintaining the connection.

"The AIC recognises the important role of AIYA in developing connections between the young people of both countries," Dr Sebastian said.

"As stated by President Obama, 'the future belongs to young people with an education and the imagination to create'."

"So it is that stronger ties between Australia and Indonesia are inextricably linked to connections among the young people of both nations."

The AIC welcomes the new committee of management for AIYA and looks forward to working with it more in 2024.



Australia-Indonesia Youth Exchange Program (AIYEP)

The Australia-Indonesia Youth Exchange Program (AIYEP) is once again proud to have supported AIYA throughout 2023.

After three years of offering an online program, 2023 marked the launch of an exciting hybrid program, blending the best elements of the traditional in-country program and the online program to create an amazing new opportunity for Australian and Indonesian youth. We were delighted to see a significant surge in program applications this year, reflecting the growing interest in the Australia-Indonesia bilateral relationship and a return to travel post-COVID-19.

We are thrilled to have partnered with AIYA to host a series of events for our AIYEP 2023 delegates during the Australian in-country phase in Canberra and Sydney. AIYA ACT played a pivotal role in organising a high tea at Parliament House for delegates, and held a lovely welcome picnic for delegates and their host families on the shore of Lake Burley Griffin. In Sydney, AIYA NSW ran a Trivia Night for the Indonesian AIYEP delegates and friends of the Australia-Indonesia relationship. The evening was filled with fun games, food and prizes, and very competitive attendees.

We are grateful to AIYA for their help and support with the AIYEP recruitment process, leveraging their communication channels to reach out to potential delegates, host families, and host organisations.

The partnership with AIYA is crucial in showing the AIYEP delegates the genuine connections, memories, and enduring networks that can be forged between both Australia and Indonesia. Once again, all AIYEP 2023 delegates received a year-long AIYA membership.

Thank you again, AIYA. We are looking forward to strengthening AIYEP's relationship with AIYA throughout 2024 and beyond.



Indonesia–Australia Business Council (IABC)

As a bilateral business organisation founded in 1989, the Indonesia–Australia Business Council (IABC) is the result of a combination/merger of the Indonesian Employers Cooperation Council of Australia (DKSPIA) with the Australian Chamber of Commerce (AustCham) in Indonesia, where both organisations have been established in Indonesia for 15 years before merging. IABC is now a non-profit organisation headquartered in Jakarta, Indonesia.

The IABC was delighted to support AIYA throughout 2023, specifically at the bi-annual conference. We collaborated with AIYA at the Indonesia Australia Business Conference: Sustaining Business in November 2023. AIYA hosted the 7th session called “Connect, Inform, Inspire”. This session focused on three problems that the audience could assist with. They were Financial Sustainability, Indonesian Language and Culture, and Labour Shortages and Mobility. We encourage any private sector, investors, and businesses in the Australia-Indonesia space to help support youth organisations such as AIYA, as they are our future employers and employees.

After a Tuesday evening opening, the following two days of the Indonesia Australia Business Conference looked at political and economic trends, heard views from businesses dealing with the new trends, and Government leaders vitally interested in trade and investment issues. 2023 saw us shift into full gear to successive in-person activities such as the regular Members Gatherings and IABC Business Breakfasts, while also hosting the ASEAN Business and Investment Summit 2023.

We look forward to continuing our support for AIYA and future collaborations. We are excited to have a youth perspective on the current and future business developments in the Indonesia-Australia space.

George Marantika
IABC President



ANNUAL SUBMISSIONS 2023

Involving in Cultural Interactions between Indonesia and Australia

By: Gabriel Angelius

Culture is one of my interests, to see things from various points of view. For me, understanding a culture is a preparation for travel before we enter a wider adventure and interact with a new environment. I also feel that the role of culture is an important social asset to form a society with the variety of life values it adheres to.

Interest in diverse cultures also encourages me to see the wider world. The thirst to interact with various people who have unique experiences or life values ultimately unknowingly gave rise to my dream of becoming a world citizen and socialising with friends from various countries. In fact, I felt that this feeling became a dilemma about 3 years ago, since 2021 to be precise. When I was still at university and trapped in a difficult Covid situation and had never imagined that I would fly to Australia a few years later.



Thank God that we can get through the Covid situation in Indonesia together. This good omen was also followed simultaneously by completing my final college assignment and then graduation. At this time, the hidden dream of wanting to become a citizen of the world emerged again. I try to reflect on what choices and opportunities I have to make this dream come true.

Happy memories of when I first visited Australia in 2013, seemed to be a "visiting guest" in my mind when trying to find out which country to go to to work on an international scale. This also became information for me to carry out in-depth research about Australia and what opportunities are available to work in the land of kangaroos.

"Why go to Australia?" This question also served as a personal reflection before I decided to prepare for everything. After considering many factors, Australia offered me a significant opportunity to realize my potential. From the use of English which is also used as an international language, to the relatively low crime rate, clean air, and being a destination for skilled migrants. I felt that all these variables formed a "complete package" that could be optimized as a career bridge for the future.

The excitement and gratitude I felt seeing this opportunity became a driving force for me to become one of the "WHV kids" – a common nickname for the visa holders.

After going through a long series of processes, from preparing documents, applying for the WHV support letter, undergoing medical check-ups, to handling the visa process, I finally arrived in Australia in January 2023. The thrill of working to my fullest potential surged when I first set foot in this country, not only as an individual but also as an Indonesian citizen present in the global community. This enthusiasm also underpinned my mission to bring Indonesian ethics and hospitality to the world stage.

It's hard to believe that I've been in Australia for 1.5 years. I'm happy to have built cultural interactions with friends from various countries. Currently, I work at one of the largest beef processing factories (meat factory) in Western Australia as a butcher. It's a job I never imagined having when I was in Indonesia, hahaha. Who knows what other exciting experiences lie ahead? I hope good opportunities continue to come my way.

"Where there's a will, there's a way" – this phrase seemed to become a reality as I weighed many things before starting this long process. As I recall, in mid-2022, the Australian government officially reopened its immigration doors after being closed during the COVID-19 pandemic. This was followed by the opening of the "Work and Holiday Visa (WHV)" program for young Indonesian citizens.





In the end, we are the last ones who still believe in and can fight for our dreams. So, don't kill your dream; just make 1% progress to get there. Feeling tired during the process? That's normal because we are not robots. But giving up on chasing your dreams is not an option. I hope that whatever we are striving for can have a positive impact on our loved ones. See you, mate!





Introducing Indonesia through the Language Assistant Program

By: Yosephin Diva Fabiola Nuralita

In 2024, Balai Bahasa Indonesia Perth, along with the Department of Education in Western Australia, is once again inviting young Indonesians to serve as language assistants in several public schools across Western Australia. These language assistants spend a school year supporting language teachers in classrooms, sharing their cultural insights to enhance primary and secondary language programs. This initiative connects enthusiastic youths with schools interested in offering language programs.

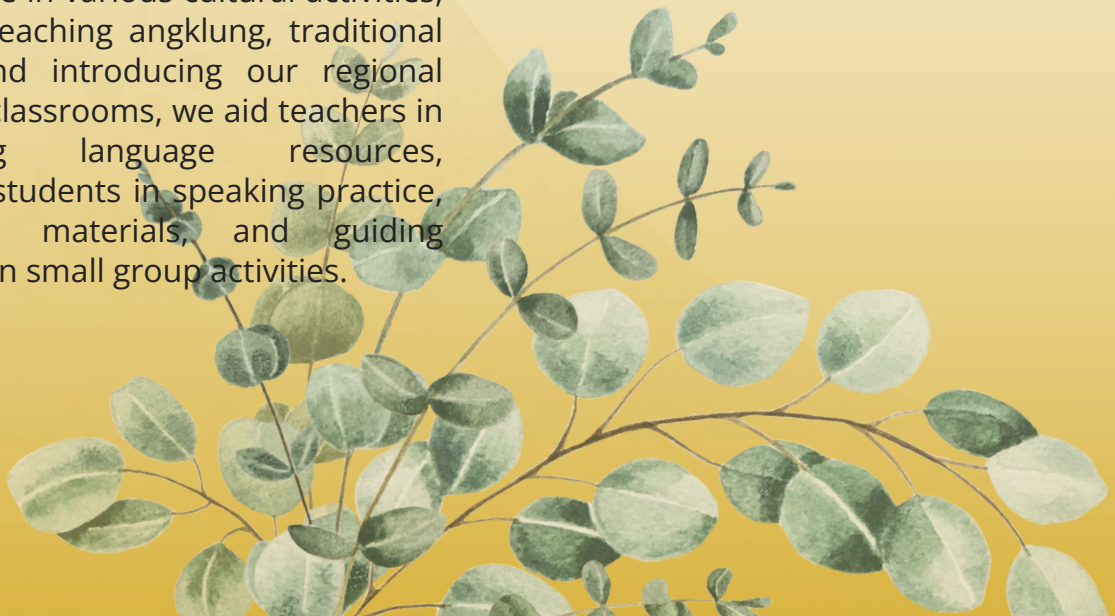
Currently, four individuals are part of this program, with three in Perth and one in Geraldton. These four come from different regions, each with unique backgrounds. The program commenced on February 29, 2024, and will conclude in February 2025.

As part of this program, we have a role to assist Indonesian language teachers. We engage in various cultural activities, such as teaching angklung, traditional songs, and introducing our regional attire. In classrooms, we aid teachers in enhancing language resources, assisting students in speaking practice, preparing materials, and guiding students in small group activities.

Moreover, as language assistants, we have the opportunity to participate in diverse activities across Western Australia. We become guest members of the Westralian Indonesian Language Teachers Association, join organisations like AIYA WA, and engage in local sports clubs like yoga and badminton in Geraldton.

This program is mutually beneficial. For schools, having native language assistants provides invaluable support, offering materials and examples to aid student learning. For language assistants, it enhances skills such as classroom and behaviour management, lesson planning, teaching various levels in schools, and provides a life-changing experience of working in Western Australia.

Looking ahead, we hope for more similar opportunities, not only for Indonesian language assistants in Australia but also for Australian youths to serve as English language assistants in public schools in Indonesia. This exchange can strengthen and enrich the educational, linguistic, and cultural ties between both countries.







One Health Approach: A Holistic Way of Tackling The Future Pandemics

By: A.A. Istri Agung Adnyani



Did you know that the principles of One Health can be used to solve public health problems including the COVID-19 pandemic?

The Indonesian government has made various strategies to overcome the outbreak of COVID-19. One of them was carried out with support from the Australian government through the Australia-Indonesia Health Security Partnership (AIHSP). This important strategic partnership was declared by Indonesia's President Joko Widodo and Australia's Prime Minister Scott Morrison in February 2020. Australia has contributed AUD 7.5 million of technical assistance for the period 2020-2025. AIHSP aims to enhance the systems in Indonesia that prevent, detect and respond to infectious disease outbreaks that potentially threaten both regional and global health security.

AIHSP has a broader focus on the One Health approach that integrates people, animals and environmental health. Therefore, the program worked in close collaboration with Indonesia's Ministry of Health, Ministry of Agriculture, Ministry of Environment and Forestry.





The AIHSP program targets five priority areas including Central Java, Yogyakarta, South Sulawesi, Bali and East Nusa Tenggara (NTT). The range of activities has included the reinforcement of One Health policies and procedures for health emergencies and coordination between ministries; policies, procedures and coordination mechanisms for health security preparedness for zoonotic diseases at the national and sub-national level; improvement of disease surveillance and information systems; increased the capacity of laboratories in detecting emerging infectious diseases (EID) and zoonoses; improved the capacity of epidemiologists (public health and animal health); development of diagnostic tools, new drugs and vector control (Kemenkes, 2021).

Approximately 70% of all emerging pathogens are zoonoses, which means they originate in animals but have the potential to transmit to humans. Zoonotic pathogens include a wide variety of viruses, bacteria, fungi, parasites and prions. In recent decades, the world has faced several zoonoses such as Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS), Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS), Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) and more recently Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19).

Further, an estimated 1.7 million unidentified viruses are present in mammals and birds, 700.000 of which could have the ability to infect humans (AIHSP, 2021). An increased risk of zoonoses is driven by the imbalance of human-animal-environment interactions (HAEIs).

As human populations continue to grow, habitat destruction such as deforestation also increases to make way for settlements and infrastructure projects. This ecological disruption brings humans and wildlife into closer contact, facilitating the spread of diseases. Additionally, overpopulation leads to a higher demand for food from agricultural and animal products (meat, poultry, milk and eggs).

In intensive farming systems, growth hormones and antibiotics are commonly used to maximize production and efficiency. Extensive antibiotic use promotes the evolution of antimicrobial resistance in zoonotic germs eventually.





Moreover, many activities in the livestock industry can rapidly spread infection either through direct contact with an infected animal or indirectly via contaminated objects like equipment and vehicles.

Prevention of further epidemics and pandemics can only be provided by the interdisciplinary One Health concept. One Health approach is based on the fact that human and animal health are mutual and bound to the health of the environment they live in. The foundation of this approach demands close collaboration, communication and coordination between the relevant sectors. Researchers and practitioners from human health (doctors, epidemiologists, public health experts), environmental health (ecologists, agricultural workers, wildlife experts), and animal health (veterinarians) should be committed to being involved in implementing the One Health agenda.



Furthermore, the World Health Organization (WHO) advances the One Health principles globally by providing strategic advice related to policy and conducting training at the local, national and regional levels. In addition, WHO alongside the World Organization for Animal Health (WOAH), the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) have developed a One Health Joint Plan of Action that includes establishing the needed infrastructure and funding.





WHO as the secretariat for the One Health High-Level Expert Panel (OHHLEP) also provides recommendations on good practice guidelines, a model One Health Surveillance System, a comprehensive list of upstream drivers of zoonotic disease spillover and recommendations to mitigate these risks (WHO, 2023). Besides the international frameworks, nations and local communities play a key role in putting One Health's approaches into practice. Several practical actions to prevent the next pandemics have included population control through family planning programs; biodiversity preservation by reducing deforestation or intensive land use; ensuring food security and good nutrition; promotion of personal hygiene practices; environmental sanitation improvement; combat wildlife trafficking and hunting. A holistic approach to disease prevention, detection, response and recovery can help to halt infectious diseases from graduating into pandemics as well as build a safer and healthier future for all living beings.

REFERENCES:

AIHSP. One Health Approach – the Only Panacea for Future Pandemics. Australia Indonesia Health Security Partnership. 2021. <https://www.aihsp.or.id/articles/one-health-approach-the-only-panacea-for-future-pandemics>

Kemenkes. Kemenkes Jalin Kerja Sama Ketahanan Kesehatan dengan Australia. Sehat Negeriku. 20th January 2021. <https://sehatnegeriku.kemkes.go.id/baca/umum/20200730/3634581/kemenkes-jalin-kerja-ketahanan-kesehatan-australia/>

WHO. One Health. World Health Organization. 23rd October 2023. <https://www.who.int/news-room/fact-sheets/detail/one-health>



GET INVOLVED WITH AIYA

Join a community of young Australians and Indonesians

AIYA membership connects you with like-minded people in your area who are engaging in the Australia-Indonesia relationship. AIYA members share their language and cultural experience through peer-to-peer language exchanges and frequent educational and social events. AIYA runs a range of exciting events each year but most importantly through joining AIYA you will make lifelong friendships and connections.

A stepping stone to shaping the Australia-Indonesia relationship

Joining AIYA opens the door to a range of opportunities. Through our education, sociocultural and professional events, you'll have a chance to meet the many high-achieving young professionals that are AIYA members and sit on our executive committees. Members receive access to information about overseas study and career opportunities in government, academia and the private sector. AIYA expands your network and connects you with potential mentors and career champions.

Get involved in running your local Chapter

Anyone can be a member, but you'll need to be aged 18-35 to have a vote at Chapter or National AGMs and have a role on a Chapter or National committee executive.

You can then lead events, develop and advocate for policy and liaise with our likeminded partner organisations. As a member, AIYA is your organisation to shape!

Discounts and member-only opportunities

Be the first to hear about member-only opportunities! As a member you will get exclusive access to AIYA member-only ticket prices at Chapter and partner events. This includes discounted tickets to PPIA events, Australia-Indonesia Business Council (AIBC) and other major organisations engaged in the Australia-Indonesia relationship. There is also free access to the UniBRIDGE online language exchange platform. Your local Chapter also has extra deals and local initiatives so check out their social media, go to events and stay updated.

AIYA membership operates for the whole organisation

While most of our events are organised by Chapters, your membership is valid across the whole of AIYA. This means you can attend AIYA events and receive member benefits all around Australia and Indonesia! So what are you waiting for?

Become a member today at
aiya.org.au/membership/

*Thank
you!*

