

APU-INDONESIA  
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# NEWSLETTER





## Passing The Torch

Every beginning has an end. There is always a goodbye in every hello. As the current APU Indonesia Alumni Association (APUIna Alumni) committee is about to end its one-year term in April, we would like to bid adieu to all alumni who have supported us in the past year. As a committee whose members consist of mostly new faces, we knew from the get-go that we wouldn't be able to serve APUIna Alumni without your support. Therefore, we believe it's only appropriate for us to begin our third newsletter by expressing our gratitude.

When this committee was established in [April](#) 2018, we could see that the APUIna Alumni family is getting bigger with each passing days. Last year alone, as many as 95 APUIna students graduated. As our family keeps growing, we wanted to bring all members of APUIna Alumni together. That's why we've been working this past year to strengthen our family bond by holding various events. During last year's fasting month, we held a breaking-of-the-fast gathering with the children of Yayasan Kasih Anak Kanker Indonesia, a non-profit organization that supports children diagnosed with cancer. This February, we welcomed the new graduates by throwing a welcome party as well as an empowerment talk.

And as we're about to finish our term, we're looking forward to pass the torch to the next committee members. Looking back at the support the alumni have given to us in the past year, we are confident that APUIna Alumni will be in good hands. And while every beginning has an end, for every end there's also a new beginning.

All the best wishes

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# Welcome Batch 29 & 30 to The Family!



On February 17<sup>th</sup>, APUIna Alumni committee held a party at CoHive D.Lab in Menteng, Jakarta, to welcome spring and fall 2018 APU Indonesia graduates, fondly called batch 29 and 30.

As many as 43 people, consisting of the new graduates and old-time alumni, gathered during the party to share stories, food and laughter.

The party started with a series of icebreakers intended to get both old and new members of APUIna Alumni to better know each other. New friendships were formed, and old friendships were rekindled.

"The idea of the party is for us the committee to welcome new graduates and we're ready to help connect new graduates and senior members of the alumni," APUIna Alumni committee president Dea

Dea Karina Artikasih (14) says.

Next in the agenda was empowerment talks by four alumni members who had been successful in building their careers as entrepreneurs. The four alumni were Mike (batch 1), Dion (batch 4), Hanna Keraf (batch 16) and Aan (batch 25). Each of them got to share their expertise and knowledge that they had gained as they developed their businesses.

Not only did they told their success stories, they also shared the struggles and challenges they had to face and eventually overcome by being entrepreneurs. The idea of the empowerment talks was to encourage new graduates, especially those who hadn't decided on what they wanted to do after graduation, to create their own career opportunities.

"The event was so much fun as we got to play games and share laughter with other alumni members," Hafiz Kentaro Adhitama (30) says. "But behind all the festivities, the event also helped many of us, especially the new graduates, because we got to meet a lot of alumni members and do networking with them. On top of that, the talk shows also motivated us who maybe started to get weary because of not getting jobs yet. Hopefully there'll be more events like this in the future. Amen."

# Sayonara, Class of Spring 2015! Yokoso, Class of Spring 2019!



As another year goes by, new faces come to APU while old faces are leaving our beloved campus on the mountain top.

On March 15, 2019, APU held another Spring Semester Graduation Ceremony with 535 domestic students and 246 international students graduating this semester, including 16 members of APUIA.

Aside from graduates celebrating and receiving their diploma, an APU Graduation Ceremony will surely not be complete without various cultural performances from different circles and organizations, including APUIA that performed its famous Saman dance.

A farewell event for graduating members was also held by APUIA in Fall 2018. The juniors performed songs, played videos and gave awards to the graduating seniors.

On April 1, 2019, APU welcomed a new batch of students from various countries, including 18 new APUIA members, with 11 undergraduate students and 7 graduate students.

In order to help the new members quickly adapt to their new life in APU and Beppu, APUIA has arranged several activities, such as shopping guidance where seniors guided the new students around Beppu. APUIA also held an event called freshmen welcome support, where seniors shared about their academic life in APU, daily life in Beppu and many more.

Last but not least, APUIA plans to hold a party to welcome the new members with various fun games and activities to help the new members bond with other members of APUIA.





# BEST WISHES



This year has brought some joyous news, with two of our members getting married. Happy wedding to Magdalena Gunawan (16) and Sari Puspita (29).

Another bundle of joy came in the form of newborn babies for Mutia Hanum (6), Dissa Syakina Ahdanisa (14), Skolastika Barroux (18) and Nicholas Hanky (18)

A hearty "Congratulations!" is also in order for some alumni members who have achieved something in their careers.

First is Emil Dardak (9), who won the vice gubernatorial ticket in East Java last year. He was sworn in as the vice governor of East Java in February this year.

Second is Dissa Syakina Ahdanisa (14), who recently received multiple awards, including SDGs Action Award 2018; Hult Prize APU Campus Round Winner 2018; and One Beppu Dream Award 2019 Finalist.

Last but not least is Hans Nicholas Jong (14), who won the Special Recognition for Sustainability in Journalism Award in January this year.

# CONDOLENCES



Some of our alumni's dearest family members have passed away, including the younger brother of Iqra Anugrah (16) and the mother of Joel Benjamin Pello (31). Our deepest condolences to them.

*\*\*\*All news were curated from the period of December 1, 2018, to March 31, 2019\*\*\**

# REMINDER



## *Update your details!*

As part of the engagement's effort, we deliver various activities regularly throughout the year that could be an interest to you. Hence it is important that you keep us updated with your current details so you receive the most up to date information from us. Keep us in the loop of your details by sending the following format to [secretariat.apuinaalumni@gmail.com](mailto:secretariat.apuinaalumni@gmail.com):

1. Full name:
2. Batch/ graduation year: (12/Sept 2009)
3. Country of residence:
4. Cellphone number/whatsapp:
5. E-mail address:

## *Optional info:*

6. Field of work/specialty: (ex: translation service, banking, steel & metal scraps, restaurant & cafe, etc)

7. Interest/Note:

*example 1:* I am looking for graduate school scholarship for field of Social Science

*example 2:* I currently work for plastic company offering plastic pellets for industrial use,  
anyone interested please contact #####

*example 3:* I currently own an NGO for social empowerment, website: [website.com]





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