

WELCOME SPEECH

by Rector of IPB University

Distinguished keynote speakers, honorable guests, respected researchers, academicians, and colleagues from around the world,

Good morning, and welcome to the Frontier in Sustainable Agromaritime and Environmental Development Conference, FiSAED 2026.

On behalf of IPB University, it is my great pleasure to warmly welcome all participants joining us today, both onsite and virtually. I sincerely appreciate your presence and commitment to advancing sustainable agromaritime and environmental development.

This year's theme, "From Innovation to Impact: Accelerating Science-Based Solutions for Sustainable Agromaritime Futures," reflects an important challenge for the global scientific community. Scientific discoveries and technological innovations must go beyond academic achievements and be translated into practical solutions that improve livelihoods, strengthen communities, protect ecosystems, and contribute to sustainable development.

Today, climate change, biodiversity loss, environmental degradation, resource scarcity, socio-economic inequality, and increasing pressure on production systems are becoming more interconnected. These challenges require interdisciplinary approaches and stronger collaboration among universities, governments, industries, practitioners, and communities. FiSAED therefore provides an important platform to connect scientific knowledge with policy, technology, business, and real-world needs.

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At IPB University, we remain committed to advancing research and innovation in tropical agriculture, marine sciences, biosciences, natural resources, environmental management, and related fields. Through FiSAED 2026, we encourage the development of solutions that are scientifically sound, locally relevant, globally connected, and capable of generating measurable and lasting impact.

As FiSAED enters its fourth year, following the conferences held in 2023, 2024, and 2025, we are pleased to see its growing role as a platform for international scientific exchange and collaboration. We hope that the ideas and research presented during this conference will inspire new partnerships, joint research, policy recommendations, technological applications, and community-based initiatives.

I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the organizing committee, partner institutions, distinguished speakers, authors, reviewers, and all participants who have contributed to FiSAED 2026. May this conference strengthen collaboration and inspire meaningful actions toward a more resilient, inclusive, and sustainable agromaritime future. I wish you all fruitful discussions and a successful conference.

Thank you very much.

Welcome to FiSAED 2026 and IPB University.