

WELCOME SPEECH



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Distinguished guests, scholars, researchers, and participants from various corners of the world,

Good morning and Assalamu'alaikum Wr. Wb.

It is an honor for me as the Rector of IPB University to warmly welcome all participants who have joined this conference. This conference is hosted by the Directorate of Strategic Studies and Academic Reputation of IPB University. Our university has long been committed to encouraging sustainable practices in all aspects of life to ensure the success of the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda and the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) adopted by all UN member countries in 2015, which outline ambitious plans to end poverty, fight inequality and develop a peaceful, just and sustainable society by 2030.

Ladies and gentlemen,

Sustainable is not just a buzzword, it is a call to action for the common good. As one of the universities in Indonesia, we have a vision, namely "to become a research-based university and leading to innovation for national independence towards a techno-social entrepreneurial university that excels at the

global level in agriculture, marine, tropical biosciences". As a community of scholars, students, and staff, sustainable practices must be implemented in daily operations. From energy-efficient campus facilities to waste reduction strategies, we will strive to develop a role model for sustainable living. Our goal is to instill not only academic excellence but also a deep sense of responsibility towards the environment and society.

Ladies and gentlemen,

IPB University will continue to encourage transdisciplinary collaboration and research initiatives aimed at developing innovative solutions to the complex problems surrounding environmental degradation, climate change, and food security. The FiSAED 2023 International Conference: Frontier in Sustainable Agromaritime and Environmental Development Conference is a concrete form of effort to create innovations that can overcome emerging challenges in the current era. This activity carries the theme "Contribution of Frontier Agromaritime towards Sustainable Development Goals", we hope that this activity will become a forum for bringing together experts, researchers, policy makers and stakeholders from various countries to engage in discussion and collaboration on this topic.

In conclusion, sustainable practices are not just a choice, but awareness, among others, to safeguard our future. I believe that the FiSAED conference can strengthen international collaboration in research and education, especially to achieve sustainable development goals for our future generations. As Rector of IPB University, I am excited about the journey ahead and the positive impact we can create together through this conference activity.

With Bismillahirrahmannirrahiim, I declare the inaugural conference of Frontier in Sustainable Agromaritime and Environmental Development in IPB University is open.

Let us embark on this path of sustainability with determination, innovation, and shared commitment to leave a lasting legacy for future generations. Thank you!

Wassalamu'alaikum Wr. Wb.