

## WELCOME SPEECH



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## Distinguished guests, Esteemed Speakers, Presenters, and Participants.

We extend our gratitude to the Almighty for His blessings, guidance, and grace Who enriched our lives. It is with immense pleasure and honor that I welcome all of you to the First International Seminar on Tropical Bioresources Advancement and Technology. As the chairman of the ISOTOBAT Committee, I am delighted to deliver a warm greeting to all participants who share a commitment to advancing my knowledge and understanding of tropical bioresources across various sectors. This noteworthy gathering unites approximately 250 presenters from diverse corners of the world, each of whom plays a crucial role in our collective goals. This conference will be held extensively for two days, from 28-29 May 2024, through the online Zoom meeting platform to ensure effective participation globally. All accepted papers that passed review processes from the scientific committees will be published in a specific volume of the BIO Web of Conferences, an open-access proceedings publication in the fields of Biology, Life Sciences, and Health. This publication is now indexed by Scopus, which will enhance the global reach of your scientific discoveries, innovations, and discussion.



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Our theme for this Seminar, "Harnessing Innovation and Technology in Fostering the Advancement of Tropical Bioresources" underscores the importance of harnessing the vast potential of tropical bioresources for sustainable development and innovation. With four insightful sub-themes–Agriculture, Animal Sciences, Agroforestry, and Agromaritime Innovation; Socio-economics and Business Transformation in Tropical Bioresources; Innovative Technologies in Bioresource Science and Engineering, and Bioresources in Food and Nutrition for a Healthier Future–we are poised to explore and delve into the multifaceted dimensions of tropical bioresources. Each sub-theme is explored in depth, providing a comprehensive understanding of the challenges and opportunities in each area.

In the current global concern, the challenges of food security, environmental sustainability, and economic development are paramount, and understanding and leveraging tropical bioresources are crucial. These resources hold immense promise not only in terms of providing livelihoods and economic benefits, but also in driving scientific discovery, technological innovation, and economic growth. By exploring and harnessing the potential of tropical bioresources, we can make significant strides in addressing these global challenges, and this Seminar is a crucial step in that direction.

Throughout this Seminar, we have the opportunity to engage in enlightening discussions, share cutting-edge research findings, and exchange valuable insights and perspectives. By fostering collaboration and knowledge exchange across diverse disciplines and stakeholders, new pathways can be unlocked to harness the potential of tropical bioresources to address global challenges and improve global community well-being. Your active participation and contribution, which we deeply value, are not only welcomed, but also crucial for the success of this collaborative endeavor.

This important event is being organized by all postdoctoral fellows under the guidance of the Director of Strategic Study and Academic Research (DKaSRA) at IPB University. The Seminar marks a significant milestone in our collective commitment to addressing critical issues. Our team, comprising 46 dedicated postdoctoral fellows and DKaSRA of IPB University individuals, worked diligently to organize this event and ensure its success in the virtual space. With scientific divisions such as advisory committees, scientific committees, and co-editors, as well as technical divisions such as financial administrators, secretaries, event coordinators, marketing and public relations, websites and advertising, publication, and documentation, all of the team members effectively collaborated to create an immersive and enriching experience for all participants.



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I am incredibly grateful to committee members for their unwavering commitment and hard work. I also express my sincere appreciation to the DKaSRA for their continuous support and guidance, without which this conference would not have been possible. Additionally, I extend my heartfelt gratitude to each presenter, whose dedication to sharing insights and discoveries is not only vital but also profoundly respected and appreciated. Your contributions are the backbone of this event and we are privileged to have you with us.

Last but not least, I would like to invite all participants to explore, discuss, and be inspired by the wealth of ideas and innovations promised at this conference. Altogether, let us seize this opportunity to deepen our understanding, ignite creativity, and forge meaningful partnerships that will drive the advancement of tropical bioresources and establish a way to a more sustainable and prosperous future.

## Many Thanks,

Yulianri Rizki Yanza.