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Newsletter Interview Article: MURD Alumnus, Muhammad Hardi Ananda

ISUS presents a special series of interviews to share stories of ISUS members. For September's interview, let us read about Muhammad Hardi Angga Putra Perdana Hasbi ANANDA (MUAP 6), who is the head of the Economic and Development Sub-Division at the Thousand Islands Regency Government under the Jakarta Capital City Government. He will share his experiences, and how the ISUS program has affected his career.



Q1. Please, introduce yourself.

Muhammad Ananda: My name is Muhammad Hardi Ananda, I am an alumnus of ISUS which graduated in 2015. I work for the Jakarta Capital City Government.

Q2. First of all, congratulations on your promotion to the head of the economic and development sub-division. Could you describe the organization you belong to and what's your job position like in detail?

Muhammad Ananda : I work as the Head of Economic and Development Sub-division at Thousand Islands Regency Government under Jakarta Capital City Government, its job is to coordinate issues related to actuating, monitoring, and evaluating economic and development sectors within the Thousand Island Region. This could be the field of spatial and land-use, public-social facilities, public works, clean water, wastewater, housing, agriculture, and marine as well as fisheries within the Thousand Island Region.

Q3. We heard that you also participated in the project of green electricity cooperating with KOEMA. Could you explain the project and your distribution on that?

Muhammad Ananda : This project started in 2015 named Implementation of Smart Microgrids Systems in Thousand Island Regency Cooperating with KOEMA. The project considered a location that had not built green electricity sources and high cost of electricity infrastructure which constrain the local budget. The best example of this project was Gappado in Jeju Province which I visited during the project. Thousand Island Regency was the best and most suitable location for that project because it's designated for tourism and fisheries as well as the current source of electricity made a huge cost (high-cost submarine cable) and loss power background (long submarine cable) as well as constrain the local budget. The Smart Microgrid Project was the best solution because offered high-quality electricity power. This cooperation engaged the National Government, the Local Government, the Korean Government, Woojin Industrial Systems, QIT, Powermax, KOEMA, and some of its Companies as well as a professor from Chungbuk National University.

My job was to coordinate and collaborate with all stakeholders and to make this project be implemented in Thousand Island because of its benefits to society and Jakarta Capital City Government. Unfortunately, I am moved to another position before this project was finished. Hopefully, this project will succeed even after I left the position because it has a great impact in terms of knowledge, environment, local budget as well as local society and its future.

Q4. How did the ISUS program help you with building your career?

Muhammad Ananda : During my time at the Institute of Economics, I studied many courses relevant to my degree, and I did especially well in Mathematics, Statistics, and Econometrics. After four years of studying economics and intensive learning in related fields, I felt that statistics is fundamental and key to eliminating the development barriers of our country which is still neglecting the importance of data and still failing to make available and make use of them in effective and efficient ways. So, I joined the Central Statistical Organization (CSO), the government organization, MNPED (Ministry of National Planning and Economic Development) right after graduation in 2004. While I was collecting and structuring the data, I have become more and more understanding of the importance of data for the development process of our country, especially for urban and regional development. Only if the data are collected, analyzed, and interpreted properly, it would help us to support our nation's development efforts better. I always strongly believe that being a statistician not only makes us enjoy intellectual challenges but also become stronger with the challenges.

Q5. Could you share with us the most memorable experience from ISUS?

Muhammad Ananda : There are many things that can become a good memory for an ISUS student. I have two of the most memorable experience from ISUS they are Urban Infra Forum and Site Visit. First, Urban Infra Forum invited high-level public officers, famous, expert, honored, and experienced speakers, for instance, the former Mayor of Seoul. Second, We learned theory in class, and could experience the best practices by the different Site Visit Programs, in which we visited infrastructure such as TOPIS, K-Water, Wastewater Infrastructure, Solid Waste Infrastructure, Seoul Metro Line 9 etc. So, while we get theories in class, we can also see the visualization of the best practice of the solution to urban issues. And we can also get insights from high-level public officers, famous, experts, honored guests, and experienced speakers after that we can combine and inspire what can create new ideas from those insights.

Q6. Do you have any other words to share with ISUS students?

Muhammad Ananda : As an alumnus of an ISUS Program at the University of Seoul, I have a message for ISUS students. First, please take all courses and deeply know during the learning program, take the background and problems then analyze through the suitable methods. Secondly, participate in all offclass programs for instance, participate in the Urban Infra Forum because the Guest and Speaker can give us some new thoughts and insights to create new – 4 – ideas. Third, we have to make daily life during the program exciting and interesting, as the most memorable moment of your life. So enjoy your daily life in Korea, taking it as a life experience. Last, we have to know that every decision has risks itself, but we have to be smart and scientifically choose the decision that has minimal risks. Good luck for your study during the program! We are waiting for your graduation and joining ISUS alumni.

Newsletter Interview Article: MGLEP Student, Sebastián Hernández Cárdenas <Colombia Civil War & MGLEP Program>

In this interview, let us read about Sebastián Hernández Cárdenas (MGLEP 8), who is a student of the Master for Global Leaders in Environment Policy (MGLEP). He received a scholarship related to the Korean War. He will share his thoughts about War, especially the Colombian Civil War, and his experiences in MGLEP.



Q1.Please, introduce yourself.

Sebastián Hernández: I am Sebastián Hernández Cárdenas from Colombia and 27 years old. I graduated from school in 2013. Then I decided to study French at La Sorbonne in Paris for one year, after that, I went back to Colombia where I earned a law degree. Earlier in my professional career, I worked at an oil company where we transformed used oil into biodiesel. After that, I had the opportunity to work as an adviser to the office of the Minister of Environment for three years.

Q2. We heard you received the scholarship, and it is related to Korean War. Could you explain the scholarship you received?

Sebastián Hernández : The scholarship is about a commemoration of the soldiers and countries who participated in the Korean War. In this case, Colombia helped South Korea during the Korean War.



<In commemoration of the soldiers and countries who participated in the Korean War>

Q3. Just as Korea has the pain of War, I heard Colombia Civil War was maintained until a peace agreement was signed in 2016. Could you explain the Colombia Civil War?

Sebastián Hernández :I want to share two thoughts about the civil war we have in Colombia. The first one is that in Colombia the war has been around the same territory for almost 60 years and has always fought for two important things, land, and political participation.

Second, I applaud every approach to a peace agreement between two nations or between a government and a terrorist group. Effectively we signed a peace

treaty agreement in 2016 with one of the principal terrorist groups that Colombia has, which is the FARC group. We still have a long way ahead to make a good implementation of the peace treaty. We're making our best and I think that the new government will do its best to enforce the law about the peace treaty.

Q4. Could you explain the environmental problem of the Colombian Civil War?

Sebastián Hernández :Let me introduce about my experience of what we have had in the past in Colombia with the Civil War in Colombia. One of the most catastrophic damages to the environment because of the civil war are the constant crimes that the guerrilla groups are making against the natural resources in the territory of Colombia. So, one of the principal terrorist actions they do is bombing or making an explosion in an oil refinery, water resource company or gas refinery. So basically, what this does is contaminate the natural resources and with the bombing and of course, it's expensive to repair the damages. Consequently, what happens is that the natural resources saying water, oil, and gas that are supposed to arrive to community or village because of this terrorist act it won't arrive to the people who really need it. It has a huge impact on the budget of Colombia because we have to build it up again, sometimes with the help of the private sector and, of course, it is a step back. It's like, everything you have done would go to zero. And you will have to stand up and do it again.

All the people want to live in peace and peace treaties are always the best, because it is a negotiation between two parties. Right now, we made peace with one of the terrorists' groups that there are in Colombia. A peace treaty agreement is it's the first step it's not the, there is a lot of capacity building we still must do and have a long way ahead.

Q5. Next question, could you introduce the MGLEP program?

Sebastián Hernández :I am doing a Master's Program for Future Global Leaders in Environmental Policy where I received a full scholarship from the

ministry of environment of Korea. KEITI institute is the one sponsoring this program. I've worked almost all my life in the environmental sector in both the private and the public sectors. This program would help me enrich my career both in a personal and a professional way to achieve all the goals I want, regarding the environment. In this program, I have had different courses that provide me the tools to become an influential person in the environmental sector in both Colombia and the world. I think this program is an opportunity of which I am going to make the most of it and take advantage the most I can of this important program.

Q6. How are you in ISUS?

Sebastián Hernández: I arrived here five months ago. Days have passed like it was yesterday. It's amazing. So far, it's been one of the best experiences I've had in my life. I'm getting to get to know about different cultures and different environments. Although Korea and Colombia are far, we have had almost 60 years or 70 years of relationship between the two countries. So, I think this is a great opportunity to continue and strengthen the political, economic, and social relationship we have between our two countries.

Q7. What is your vision through MGLEP?

Sebastián Hernández: My vision through MGLEP is that it will provide me with the methods I need to achieve the things I want to accomplish in my career. I think the MGLEP program would provide me with everything I need. The courses are amazing, the people are amazing, and the staff is amazing. I've had a variety of courses in these five months and one of my favorite topics is climate change. I like it because in Colombia we need to focus on achieving carbon neutrality by 2050 and reducing the emissions by fifty-one percent before 2030. It's a huge ambition. And I think we have to make it. If we don't act now, we won't act ever. And We have to do big steps to achieve this great goal.

I think MGLEP is going to be the first step toward achieving this. I think maybe one day I can be the head of the ministry of environment and continue to make important actions towards the environmental sector. I want to give special greetings to the Ministry of Environment, to the Dean, to the Vice-dean, and KEITI for all that they have done for us.

Thank you.

The Treatise of Prabhakar Lal Karn (MURD 3) was published at the International Journal of Urban Sustainable Development



Prabhakar Lal KARN(MURD 3), currently working at the Ministry of Urban Development, Government of Nepal, has published his treatise “Affordable housing for low-income households through floor area ratio incentive: the case of Manohara settlement in Kathmandu, Nepal” at the International Journal of Urban Sustainable Development with professor Joon PARK. The thesis aims to solve the problem, of the mismatch between the fast-growing urban population and limited urban infrastructure. Mr. KARN shares his academic achievement and experiences at ISUS.

Q1.What is the main purport of the treatise? Which problem did you find and how did you deal with it?

Prabhakar Karn: The main purpose of my master’s program thesis was focused on different aspects of the provisions incurred in the context of Nepal to facilitate housing for urban poor (low-income households). At the time of my study, it was clearly seen that in Kathmandu valley, access to land and

housing for the urban poor was nearly impossible with their income. And it was advised to intervene in policies related to housing development by giving more facilities to the developers by relaxing provisions in Floor Area Ratio (FAR) which encourages the developers to develop extra spaces for the urban poor.

Q2. How would you say that your experience at ISUS helped you to achieve this academic achievement?

Prabhakar Karn :Awesome, I can't express my experience in words. I can only say that the highly experienced and qualified professors, highly motivated ISUS family, academic environment, and highly motivated subject-related field trips were the major factors for me to concentrate on my thesis.

Also, with help of Prof. Joon PARK and Prof. Shin LEE, when I was confused and couldn't focus, I would send an email to Prof. Joon PARK and then he would advise me very clearly, which brought me back to track.

Additionally, I have to emphasize the design of the course, that is we must stay in Korea and have to prepare our thesis with the direct supervision of our thesis supervisor which provides a clear direction and way forward.

Q3. Is there anything you want to add?

Prabhakar Karn :Hi everyone, hope everything will go well.

For me, studying in UOS and being a member of ISUS is a remarkable achievement, provided me with the opportunity to represent my country and helped me to broaden my horizon, currently I am working as a senior division chief in my department.

I must have to say to all of you that please take full advantage of being a member of the ISUS family and broaden your horizons.

This opportunity of learning does not come again so make sure you can gain more and more remarkable knowledge from very experienced and qualified professors.

Finally, explore South Koreavisit many places ...!

The publication of Mr. KARN's shows that even after graduation ISUS keeps supporting alumni in academic aspects. Moreover, it clearly shows that they are continuously working on urban and regional development issues to make their home country prosperous. ISUS believes that Mr. KARN's research will contribute to the development of Nepal.

The full text could be downloaded from the URL below:

Full article: Affordable housing for low-income households through floor area ratio incentive: the case of Manohara settlement in Kathmandu, Nepal
(tandfonline.com)

If you have any academic achievements such as Mr. KARN's, please do not hesitate to contact the ISUS office at isus@office.uos.ac.kr.

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More than 300 people attended GFN, including students, alumni, relevant partner organizations, and embassies from around the world.

The first part of the event consisted of an Opening, Awards, Alumni Speech, and banquet. Opening remarks were by Dr. Hyeon PARK, Dean of ISUS, congratulatory speeches were delivered by the UOS President, Dr. Soon-Tak SEO, Mrs. Chring Botumrangsay, Ambassador of the Royal Embassy of Cambodia, and Mr. Delwar Hossain, Ambassador of Bangladesh. Appreciation plaques were given to Korea Overseas Infrastructure & Urban Development Corporation (KIND), Korea Research Institute for Human Settlements (KRIHS), UNESCO International Centre for Water Security and Sustainable Management (UNESCO i-WSSM), and Seoul Urban Solutions Agency (SUSA) for their continuous support to ISUS' programs.

As for the Awarding of ISUS Alumni, it was Mr. Sang Chul LEE, the former President of the Alumni Association of ISUS, and Mrs. Nor Hazirah Binti Mohd Ghazali from Master of Urban Administration and Planning 12 (MUAP12) who received a certificate of appreciation. For brief remarks on alumni experience sharing, Ms. Geum Nan YANG from Sustainable Urban Development 5 (SUD 5) and Mrs. Nor Hazirah Binti Mohd Ghazali from MUAP 12 have shared their ISUS experiences.



The second part of the event consisted of the introduction of each country's students, recreative games and special performances, raffle draws, and a closing ceremony. All the students enjoyed the recreation time and showed their talents with song and dance performances and at the end, the closing remark was made by Dr. Shin LEE, vice Dean of ISUS.





The event was concluded with photo sessions and a lot of celebrations from all the participants.



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4 Graduates from Global Construction

7 Graduates from Sustainable Urban Development

25 Graduates from Master of Urban Administration and Planning

Individual students were also recognized for their outstanding academic performance in their study programs.

The commencement ceremony allows distinguished guests, family, and friends even far from Korea to attend this joyous ceremony. The faculty, management, and staff of ISUS wish all the graduating students success in their future careers or further studies and proudly congratulate them on their academic achievements and successful graduation as they end their journey in enriching their knowledge and experience in ISUS.

After closing, the event goes on by taking photos all together and reminiscing this meaningful moment.

ISUS of UOS–RUPP Jointly Launches the First Urban Planning Department in Cambodia

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ISUS has cooperated with the Royal University of Phnom Penh (RUPP), recently the Ministry of Education, Youth, and Sport (MoEYS) of Cambodia officially approved the foundation of the “Department of Sustainable Urban Planning and Development (DSUPD)” on May 25 this year.

To commemorate this, the Royal University of Phnom Penh (RUPP) held the launching ceremony of the Department of Sustainable Urban Planning and Development (DSUPD) at the Cambodia–Korea Cooperation Center (CKCC) of RUPP on August 16, 2022.



As its slogan ‘Shape your city smart, shape your future smarter’ indicates, DSUPD aims to foster leading urban planners through the state-of-the-art training program. The first cohort of 40 first-year students will be recruited for the year 2023, and most will be beneficiaries of a scholarship program.

The launching ceremony was hosted by the president of UOS, Soon-tak SUH, and vice-rector of RUPP, OUM Ravy. The congratulatory remarks were delivered by General Secretary Mr. SENG Vannak of Phnom Penh City Hall, Secretary of State Dr. PEN Sophal of Ministry of Land Management, Urban Planning and Construction (MLMUPC), Director General Dr. Mak Ngoy of Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport (MoEYS), Director General Dr. Ken Sereyrotha of Ministry of Environment (MoE), who celebrated the commencement of the new urban planning major.

The president of UOS, Soon-tak SUH, expressed his congratulations on the launch of the DSUPD and said that the UOS would provide continuous support for designing a sustainable smart city in Cambodia through UOS-RUPP educational cooperation, sharing urban development policies of Korea and ICT combined urban planning techniques such as big data and artificial intelligence (AI) with Phnom Penh.

Vice-rector of RUPP, OUM Ravy, emphasized that the DSUPD would cultivate urban planning experts who will be the pioneers of urban solutions. A seminar on ‘Smart City and Sustainable Urban Planning’ hosted by UOS-RUPP followed the launching ceremony.

Dean Hyeon PARK, Vice Dean Shin LEE, and Professor Junwon SEO of ISUS, UOS, shared the development trend of smart cities, urbanization in Korea, and policies for the resolution of urban problems in this seminar. From the Cambodian side, the Dean of Faculty of development studies (FDS), RUPP, RATH Sethik, Professor THUON Try, and Professor NOP Sothun explored and diagnosed the urban issues of Cambodia. Among urban authorities of Cambodia who attended the seminar were Deputy General Director Dr. Sareth Boramy of MLMUPC, Deputy Chief of Bureau of Urbanization Mr. Cheam

Phanin of Phnom Penh City Hall, Chief of Bureau, Sustainable Lifestyle, Department of Green Economy Mr. KHIM Sandab of MoE and gave speeches on sustainable urban development strategies.

The ‘Leading University project for International Cooperation’ period is seven years, from 2021 to 2028. ISUS will keep forging closer ties and cooperation with RUPP for the remaining five and half years, building the appropriate infrastructure for the teaching and learning environment, from the construction of smart classrooms to curriculum development and quality lectures.

Publication in the Scopus Journal

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RESEARCH ARTICLE

Causes of Variation Orders in Road Construction Projects in Tanzania

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Abstract:

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Conclusion:

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MGLEP 7 Summer Campus Program

From August 1st to 15th, MGLEP 7 had an opportunity to enlarge their knowledge with the summer program provided by NIEHRD. This one-week program was helpful and useful with lectures and relevant field trips.



1st Day:

Students were able to attend an online virtual tour at T.um Future Technology Center provided by SK Telecom. This center shows the new value and the future world through VR and how in the future the environmental facilities and usage will be designed.

2nd Day:

Orientation and an opening ceremony held at the HQ of NIEHRD located in the Environmental Complex in Incheon 2 in-depth lectures were given: 1) Korea's Resource Circulation Policies & Systems, 2) Waste Recycling Policy

3rd day:

For better understanding, study visits took place: 1) Hanam Union Park and 2) Seoul Upcycling Plaza. Despite the heavy rain, the trip to Hanam was very fruitful as they get to not only learn about the system but had a chance to look around how the facility works with their bare eyes. Unfortunately, due to the weather, they couldn't visit the Namu Goawon, which is a tree orphanage park, where trees discarded from urban development projects are moved to here and created a park full of re-located plants. Seoul Upcycling Plaza is a relatively new plaza as it opened in 2017 and is regarded as the world's largest upcycling cultural complex space. The plaza not only provided upcycling materials but also a cultural space so that anyone can come in to observe, learn and experience everything about upcycling.



4th day:

As NIEHRD is located at Environmental Complex, MGLEP 7 had a chance to have a general tour. The Complex is near Sudokwon Landfill Site and with environment-related organizations and research centers. They got a chance to look around at the Carbon Zero Building, and the National Institute of Biological Resources. The buildings and surroundings are not only environmentally friendly but also people friendly, as lots of residents came along and enjoy the complex and the atmosphere.



The one-week program ended with a completion ceremony and it was another memorable moment for MGLEP 7 to carry.



GICC 2022



On August 30th and August 31st, MIPD 4 participated in the GICC event.

Through the ODA performance sharing seminar, students recognized the global ODA trend and the direction of ODA for land transportation.

Through the seminar, students understood the global ODA trend and the direction of ODA for land transportation by listening to the experiences of the Laos road construction and management-based self-reliance project and the establishment of the national smart city plan for a sustainable city system in Peru.

MIPD 5 Preliminary Course

The preliminary course for MIPD 5 started on August 17th. The course took place over two weeks and it included an MS-Office training lecture, a Korean urban development lecture, and special lectures on national land development.

Through the orientation, an overall introduction to ISUS was given, and students understood the overall MIPD curriculum.



Also, MIPD students had time to build a network through the Gathering Meeting of the 4th and 5th students. Students all participated in this event and had time to get advice from seniors and build friendships.



MUAP 15 Preliminary Course

From August 13th to 17th, twenty MUAP 15 students from 17 different countries newly arrived in Korea.

Preliminary courses were prepared for making students adapt to life in Seoul and give basic information before the official semester begins. The program started with an orientation session by Seoul Friends on August 12th via zoom meeting, Seoul Friends shared helpful information for living in Seoul.

As soon as they arrived in Korea, MUAP 15 students had orientation time with MUAP 14, and program Chairman Professor Chin, as well as coordinators. The new students participated in special lectures where they learned about Korea and had the chance to participate in the Seoul Metropolitan Fora.



Even though time was short, and it was difficult to implement due to the COVID19 situation, they could meet students from all over the world in ISUS and enhance their understanding of Seoul and Korea through prepared lectures and activities.

MUAP 15 preliminary course was held from August 12th to 31st, following this schedule:

- August 12: Seoul Friends Orientation
- August 13~17: Arrival in Korea
- August 17: (Special lecture) Urban Development Policies of Seoul by Dr. Yeonghee JANG
- August 18: Meeting with MUAP 14
- August 19: Kick-off Meeting with Program director & Academic Orientation
- August 22-25: Korean Lecture
- August 22: MUAP 13 Graduation Ceremony & Global Friends Night
- August 23: 2022 Seoul Metropolitan Fora / (Special lecture) National Territorial Development of Korea by Dr. Jungho MOON
- August 24: Korean Cultural Program



- August 25: (Special lecture) Korea's Development Experience: A Brief Overview by Dr. Wonhyuk LIM
- August 26 & 29: Seoul Friends Field Trip
- August 31: Prevention of Sexual Harassment Lecture by Prof. Heeyeon CHU & Crime Prevention Guideline by Dongdaemun Police Station & Seoul Life Orientation by Seoul Global Center



MURD 6 Preliminary Course

MURD 6 arrived in Korea from August 10th and had their pre-course during August. The Pre-course for MURD included orientation, special lectures, medical check-up, and the 2022 Global Friends Night, among other activities. KOICA, KOWORKS, and ISUS introduced their organizations and regulations.



It is notable that MURD was offered special lectures conducted by prominent scholars. On August 23, Prof. Jungho MOON from KRIHS (Korea Research Institute for Human settlements) gave MURD 6 the lecture, “National Territorial Development of Korea: Past, Present, and Future.” On August 25, Prof. Wonhyuk LIM from KDI (Korea Development Institute) gave the lecture, “Korea’s Development Experience: A Brief Overview.” Right after that, Prof. Kilkon KO from Seoul National University gave the lecture, “Understanding Korea through Statistics.” Survival Korean lecture from Prof. Jungwoo PARK, so that the student could adjust to life in Korea easily.

Additionally, MURD 6 had a culture trip with their Seoul friends on August 26 and 30. Through these Pre-course, MURD 6 students are now ready to start the first semester at ISUS.

UOS Campus in September



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