

PRESS RELEASE



Goethe-Institut and the Ministry of Health Sign MoU on the Integration of German Language

JAKARTA – The German cultural institute, Goethe-Institut and the Ministry of Health (MOH) of the Republic of Indonesia have entered into a collaboration that will integrate German language classes into the curriculum of the nursing study program at the Health Polytechnic of the Ministry of Health as part of their international class. The signing of the MoU (Memorandum of Understanding) was carried out at the Town Hall of Health Human Resources Transformation at Mandiri University, Daan Mogot, Jakarta, on Monday, 30 January 2023. The collaboration will start with pilot programmes in Jakarta and Bandung.

The MoU was signed by Dr Stefan Dreyer, Regional Director of Goethe-Institut for Southeast Asia, Australia and New Zealand; Oos Fatimah Rosyati, Director of Provision of Health Workforce; Yupi Supartini, Director of Health Polytechnic Jakarta III; and Pujiono, Director of Health Polytechnic Bandung.

The cooperation entails the development of a German language program into the curriculum of the international class of the nursing study program at MOH Health Polytechnic, conducting a German language program and town hall programs for students and lecturers in the international class nursing study program at MOH Health Polytechnic; as well as conducting joint seminars, workshops and webinars.

The Minister of Health Budi Gunadi Sadikin; the Deputy Minister of Health Workforce Arianti Anaya; the Ambassador of Germany to Indonesia Ina Lepel; as well as the Indonesia Consul General in Frankfurt Acep Somantri, witnessed the signing of the MoU.

“We very much welcome the initiative of the Ministry of Health to make German part of the curriculum in its Health Polytechnic and we are looking forward to implementing this in the near future. This will provide an excellent way to prepare nurses who consider to take up work opportunities in Germany,” said Dr Stefan Dreyer.

Oos Fatimah Rosyati stated, “ This collaboration has one goal, namely how Indonesian nurses can take advantage of the opportunities that exist to be able to work in Germany. With this collaboration, the nurses in the international class can follow the German language learning curriculum, so that after graduation, apart from being nurses, they are also proficient in German.”

Ina Lepel added, “The signing of the MoU between the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Indonesia and Goethe-Institut Jakarta is an important step towards strengthening the German-Indonesian cooperation in education. For young healthcare professionals, working abroad presents an excellent opportunity to gain knowledge and experience. With the roll-out of German language classes at Health Polytechnic schools, we hope to see an increased mobility of students and graduates between Indonesia and Germany in the future. Germany lends its full support to this goal.”

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