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## From the President

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Greetings from the ARSA President, 2014-2018! Let us be thankful for 2017 and welcome 2018 with open minds and hearts as we start to prepare for our 6th ARSA International Conference to be held in Hasanuddin University, Makassar, Indonesia on August 27-30, 2018. Our theme for the next conference is “Building Sustainable Food Systems in Asia: Multiple Rural-Urban Linkages in a Globalizing World”. A food systems theme encompasses how food is produced, how it is packaged and processed, how it is distributed and retailed, and how it is consumed. These interlinked activities produce social, health, environmental, ethical, as well as food and nutrition security outcomes. I am attaching herewith several slides from the power point presentation of Bill Belloti and Grace Muriuki of the Food Systems

Program, Global Change Institute, The University of Queensland. Since most members of ARSA are scholars of rural studies, the papers that will be generated by our incoming 6th International Conference will deepen our understanding of food systems particularly for Asia.

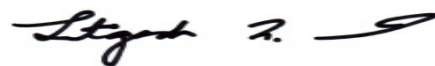
During the ARSA Mid-Term Council Meeting held in Hasanuddin University last September 17-19, 2016, we decided to support the establishment of Journal Asian Rural Studies (JARS) by Hasanuddin University. It is our quasi-official journal. Our main role here is for selected ARSA members to serve as journal’s editorial board. This kind of arrangement with Hasanuddin University is beneficial for both organizations. On our part, we will have a quasi-journal with almost no cost at all except for the

time to be expended by some of us who will become members of Editorial Board. On the part of Hasanuddin University, it is assured of potential paper contributions coming from ARSA membership and services of Editorial Board. The maiden issue of JARS has already been released and this January 2018, we will have its second issue.

During the last ARSA's Council Meeting, we decided to propose to the General Assembly the formalization of two types of membership to our organization; the institutional and individual memberships. We have thought about this to simplify the categories of our membership and we have already proven through time that ARSA is a living organization as evidenced by its ability to conduct a regular international conference every four years, publication of international conference proceedings, conduct of

mid-term Council meetings, membership to IRSA's Council and other activities.

As we welcome 2018, we have started our 6th ARSA International Conference preparation. Very soon, we will start sending notices of acceptance of abstracts for presentation. For the ARSA Council and for Hasanuddin University Local Organizing Committee, our work has started now.

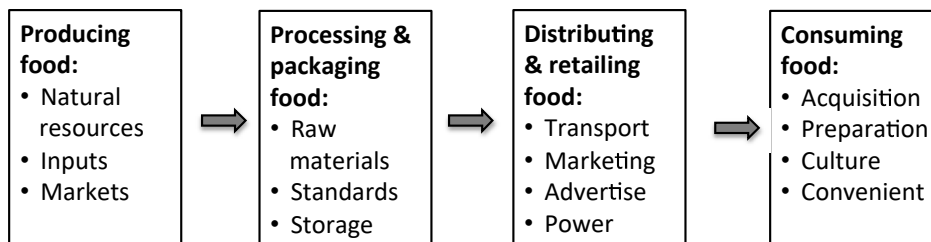


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Retired Associate Professor, University of the Philippines Los Banos, and Honorary Associate Professor (2017-2019), School of Social Science, University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia.

## GCI Food Systems Program

### 1a. Activities (*what we do*)

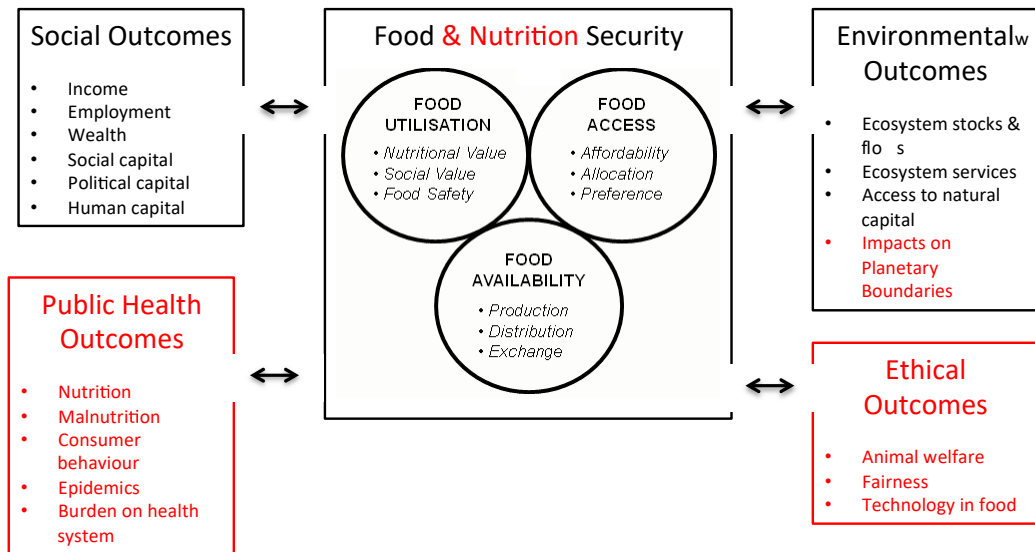


- By 2050, 70% increase food demand.
- Population only 30% increase.
- Per capita consumption 40% increase.

After Ingram, 2011

## GCI Food Systems Program

# 2. Outcomes (*what we get out of FS*)



After Ingram, 2011

## Announcement of 6<sup>th</sup> ARSA Conference

August 27-30, 2018, Swiss-Bel Hotel, Makassar, Indonesia

*Building Sustainable Food Systems in Asia:  
Multiple Rural-Urban Linkages in a Globalizing World*

### Welcome to Hasanuddin University!!!

Dear colleagues,

It is my great pleasure, and on behalf of Hasanuddin University, to welcome all of you, from abroad and within Indonesia, to participate in *International Conference on Building Sustainable Food Systems in Asia: Multiple Rural-Urban Linkage in Globalizing World (ICBSFS 2018)* held by Asian Rural Sociology Association (ARSA) in cooperation with Hasanuddin in August 27-30, 2018. We hope you'll be able to join us at ICBSFS 2018. We are confident that you will have a great time at the conference and enjoy your stay in Makassar.



Rector of Hasanuddin University  
**Prof. Dr. Dwia Aries Tina Pulubuhu, MA.**

## 1. Local Organizing Committee:

Professor Saleh Ali (Chair, Hasanuddin University)  
Muhammad Arsyad, Ph.D. (Co-Chair, Hasanuddin University)

## 2. Official Website: <http://icbsfs2018.interconf.org/>

## 3. Keynote Speakers:

Koichi Ikegami (IRSA President)  
Stewart Lockie (Cairns Institute)  
Rosiyadi Sayuti (Indonesia)



## 4. Deadlines (provisional):

- \* Deadline of submission of full paper: March 15, 2018
- \* Revision and resubmission of full paper: July 15, 2018
- \* Acceptance of paper: August 15, 2018

## 5. Guidance for Full Paper Submission:

We would like to encourage you to submit a language and technically edited 2,500–7,000 words, single spaced, 12-font full paper by **March 15**. The paper guideline can be retrieved from the following website:

<http://cms.iopscience.iop.org/alfresco/d/d/workspace/SpacesStore/f67538ae-18b2-11e4-831a-29411a5deefe/WordGuidelines.zip>

The submission of the paper should be via the same website (official website) as follows:  
<http://icbsfs2018.interconf.org/>

## 6. Two types of proceedings (proposed)

- a. Abstract proceedings only of accepted papers/posters
- b. SCOPUS indexed proceedings of full papers that have passed the scrutiny of Editorial Board (with additional payment: \$100 per paper)

## 7. Membership fee (proposed)

Membership fee system was proposed to support daily expense of the Association such as maintaining website. Membership fee can be collected by embedding it into the registration fee of international conference participants. The following fee system was proposed depending on country category.

Full membership fee	Student membership fee (1/2 of Full membership)
US\$30/20/10	\$15/10/5

## 8. Travel Arrangement

Travel arrangement should be done by each participant. However, if you need travel assistance from local organizer, such as pick-up service, please notify it to local organizer (Prof Saleh Ali, [saleh.assofie@gmail.com](mailto:saleh.assofie@gmail.com)) well in advance of your trip, at least **two weeks** before you travel. Also, if you need assistance for booking hotel at the venue of the conference, please contact Prof Saleh Ali.

## 9. Inquiry

Any questions related to the ARSA conference should be directed to:  
Masashi Tachikawa, secretary, ARSA ([mtachi@nagoya-u.jp](mailto:mtachi@nagoya-u.jp))

***Further details of the ARSA Conference will be posted on the following conference website and Facebook of ARSA.***

<http://icbsfs2018.interconf.org/>

Facebook: <https://m.facebook.com/AsianRuralSociology/?ref=bookmarks>

## ***News from Hasanudin University***

**The First International Conference on Food Security and Sustainable Agriculture in the Tropics (FSSAT) just Finished.**

Food security is one of the biggest challenges of the century since the last few decades, noting that increased agricultural investment and enhanced productivity was crucial: the world's food needs, hunger and food price continue to rise sharply. If this condition cannot be resolved it will potentially lead to chaos that will escalate and grow into World War III. All people at all time may understand food security as the access to food sufficiency for a healthy life. Food security is not only about producing more food. It is about providing physical and economic access to balance diets and safe drinking water to all people at all times. So, scarcity of food (food insecurity) had to be overcome by each country or jointly by strengthening their food security respectively. In addition, capacity building and institution is also crucial. Many developing countries are suffering from institutional weakness and are unable to develop and deliver the public goods and commercial services needed for sustainable agriculture and food security growth. Therefore, all

knowledge and experiences of respective researchers, academicians, practitioners and professionals need to be congregated in one common unified opinion. The First International Conference on Food Security And Sustainable Agriculture In The Tropics organized by Faculty of Agriculture and Publication Management Center (PMC), Hasanuddin University, Indonesia on 23-24 October, 2017. This conference is a scientific forum to promote knowledge, science, and technology and to bring together researcher, scientist, practitioner and scholar in the field of Food Security and Sustainable Agriculture in the Tropics.

Keynote speaker of the Conference was Prof. Yoshio Kawamura, Senior Fellow at Research Outreach, Ryukoku University and President, Kyoto Prefectural of Agriculture College. Prof Kawamura is also member of Asian Rural Sociology Associoan (ARSA). Prof Kawamura gave a speech on Agricultural and Rural Development in Globalizing World: USA and Japanese Experiences". In addition, Prof Sumbangan Baja (Dean of Faculty of



Agriculture, Hasanuddin University summarized "Spatially Integrated Modelling for Agriculture Land Use Management and Development". Panel discussion was directed by Muhammad Arsyad, Ph.D. (Hasanuddin University) who also Co-Chair of 2018 ARSA Conference. The conference also invited Prof M. Saleh S. Ali, M.Sc Vice President, ARSA and Editor in Chief, Journal of Asian Rural Studies (JARS), Prof Yunus Musa and Prof Christianto Lopulisa as Discussants.

We finally reach a briefly issue that Agricultural and Rural Development Studies cannot be separated. In order to keep food security and sustainable agriculture, need to strengthen technology, input side (especially land and water resources) and Integrated Land Use Management in rural/agriculture area. Vice President for Academic Affairs of Hasanuddin University, Prof Junaedi Muhiddong in opening session

appreciated the conference and welcome to all Keynote and Invited Speakers for their great contribution in the conference. They are Prof Yoshio Kawamura (Ryukoku University, Japan), Prof Sumbangan Baja (Hasanuddin University), Prof. Hiroshi Ehara (Graduate School of Bio-agricultural Sciences, Nagoya University, Japan), Heikki M. T. Hokkanen, PhD. Dr. Ingeborg Menzler-Hokkanen (Department of Agricultural Sciences, University of Helsinki, Finland), Dr. Inamullah Khan (Department of Agronomy, The University of Agriculture, Peshawar, 25130, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Pakistan), Prof. Keith Walter (Pest Management, Harper Adams University, UK), Prof. Salengke (Hasanuddin University), Prof. Razak Alimon (Department of Animal Science Faculty of Agriculture Universiti Putra, Malaysia).



Profs Sumbangan Baja (left), Yoshio Kawamura (center), Muhammad Arsyad, Ph.D. (right)



Prof. M. Saleh. S. Ali welcomed Prof. Yoshio Kawamura

## Call for Paper: *Journal of Asian Rural Studies* (JARS)

***Journal of Asian Rural Studies*** (J. Asian Rural Stud. - JARS) is a peer-reviewed journal published by Hasanuddin University (UNHAS) in collaboration with Asian Rural Sociology Association (ARSA) twice a year in January and July.

This journal is an international, academic, citation indexed and blind peer reviewed which covers original research articles, short notes and communications, reviews (including book), concepts, commentaries, and letters on a diverse topic related to rural studies in Asia.

The aim of this journal is to provide a venue for academicians, researchers and practitioners to share/discuss theories, views, research results, on issues related to social, economics, culture, communication, technology, ecology, administration and power relation in rural of Asia. Manuscript submission is open throughout the year. We are looking forward to your active contribution.

For further details:

<http://pasca.unhas.ac.id/ojs/index.php/jars/index>



## Upcoming Events

[2018]

Rural Sociological Society (RSS) Annual Meeting

“Science in Society, Society in Science: Toward a 21st Century Model for Social Scientific Research”

July 26-29, 2018

Portland, Oregon, USA

<https://rss.memberclicks.net/>

Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society

“The Agroecological Prospect: The Politics of Integrating Food and Farming with Values and the Land”

June 14-16, 2018

Madison, Wisconsin, USA

<https://afhvs.wildapricot.org/>

XIX ISA World Congress of Sociology  
Power, Violence and Justice: Reflections, Responses and Responsibilities

July 15-21, 2018

Toronto, Canada

<http://www.isa-sociology.org/en/conferences/world-congress/toronto-2018/>

Third International Conference:  
Agriculture and Food in an Urbanizing Society

September 17-21, 2018

Porto Alegre, Brazil

<http://www.agricultureinanurbanizingsociety.com/>

[2020]

IRSA XV World Congress of Rural Sociology, Cairns, Australia,

Date: July 8-12, 2020

<http://www.irsa-world.org/>

### Constitution of the ARSA

#### Name & Mission

The name of the organization is the Asian Rural Sociology Association (ARSA).

The mission of the ARSA is to cultivate the development of the science of rural sociology, to extend the possible application of results of scientific inquiry to the improvement of the quality of rural life, and to exchange and generate meaningful scientific founding for the rural development in Asia. As a non-profit

organization, ARSA strives for scientific and educational purposes only.

#### Structure

The organization consists of General Assembly, and Council.

#### General Assembly

The general assembly will be held approximately every four years, preferably in



conjunction with Asian Rural Sociology Association Conference. The General Assembly may be held by the request of the Council.

#### Council

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The Council will be composed of one representative of each country. The term of elected membership on the council shall not exceed for one conference periods, normally four years. The council shall be convened by the President. The council members will be elected by each country's members. The council can include non-voting members such as a secretariat to support the President and advisors to run the council smoothly. The main responsibility of the Council is the functioning of the organization. All decisions of the Council will be made by majority of the votes cast.

#### Membership

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Membership of ARSA is open to any individual and organizations wanting to promote the objectives of the organization and paying the relevant fees.

There are four categories of membership:

- \* Sponsoring institutional or organizational membership is open to regional rural sociology organizations.
- \* Full membership has rights to participate in the general assembly, to vote, to submit articles, and to receive all newsletters and publication.
- \* Quasi-membership has same rights except right to vote.
- \* Student-membership is the same as quasi-membership but only receive newsletters.

This membership is only applicable to graduate and university students.

\* Membership fee depends on country's economic status and be changeable with approval by council.

First group - Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Singapore  
Second group - China, Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia  
Third group - other countries

#### Voting

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All decisions needed for votes shall be taken by a simple majority rule. The place, date, and other administrative decisions for conference and general assembly can be decided by the council for management convenience.

#### Finance

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The Association shall be financed by: member subscriptions, sale of the association publications, donations, and other research projects funds. The Council Committee shall decide reimbursement for any reasonable expenses incurred by any member who carry out work for the Association. Administrative work and management of financing will be mainly carried out by the secretariat with the control of council members.

#### By-Laws and Regulations

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Any issues and subjects needed for detailed rules will be set forth by by-laws and regulations. Those will be decided by the Council.

#### Supplementary Provision

1. This constitution shall come into effect as from March 27, 2004.
2. Amendment made on September 3, 2014

## ARSA Council, 2014-2018

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## From the Secretary

### Let us know your feedback regarding the Conference Preparation for the 6<sup>th</sup> ARSA Conference.

- This newsletter should have been circulated by the end of 2017. However, many business issues have to be settled related to the 6<sup>th</sup> conference of the ARSA. And this situation keeps me to restrain from issuing this newsletter. Still we are trying to settle many things for the conference. Please do not hesitate to

send us e-mails to let us know your comments and questions. In particular, if you have not received your acceptance letter even if you have submitted your abstract. Please let me know.

- If you have any other questions, comments and suggestions, please send an e-mail to the secretary: [mtachi@nagoya-u.jp](mailto:mtachi@nagoya-u.jp)

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