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Mahidol University paid a courtesy visit to Ambassador of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to the Kingdom of Thailand

On 16thMay 2023, Mahidol University, led by Assoc. Prof. Nopraenue Sajjarax Dhirathiti, Vice President for International Relations and Corporate Communication, and Ms. Wanpimon Senapadpakorn, Director of International Relations Division, paid a courtesy visit to H.E. Mr. Abdulrahman Abdulaziz Alsuhaibani, Ambassador of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to the Kingdom of Thailand. The purpose of the visit was to congratulate H.E. Mr. Alsuhaibani on his assumption of duty and provide an update on the progress of the visit to higher education institutions and research institutes in Saudi Arabia in November 2022.

Currently, Mahidol University is establishing Memorandam of Understanding (MoUs) to enhance partnership with institutes in Saudi Arabia, including King Saud University & King Saud Medical City, Princess Nourah bint Abdulrahman University, Alfaisal University, King Faisal Specialist Hospital and Research Centre, King Saud bin Abdulaziz University for Health Sciences, and King Abdulaziz Hospital. To support these efforts, the Embassy of Saudi Arabia in Thailand will assist in process facilitation.

MUSAIS and MUIAO organized the Eid al-Fitr celebration 2023

On 26thApril 2023, Mahidol University International Affairs Office (MUIAO) and Mahidol University Students Academic and International Services (MUSAIS) organized the Eid al-Fitr celebration of 2023. The event took place at the Prince Mahidol Conference Center and aimed to commemorate Eid al-Fitr, an important festival for Muslims. The event was made possible by the invaluable support and assistance of Assoc. Prof. Pichet Kalamkaset, the former advisor of the Mahidol University Muslim Club, and all the dedicated members of the Muslim Club.

The festivities included a diverse range of activities designed to engage and celebrate the spirit of Ramadan and Eid al-Fitr. These activities encompassed engaging talk sessions about Ramadan and Eid al-Fitr, opportunities to dress in traditional Muslim attire, chance to write names in Arabic, and delightful experience of sampling Muslim-style cuisine.





Mahidol University officially visited government agencies and educational institutes in Indonesia

From 1st to 4th May 2023, Mahidol University, led by **Prof. Banchong Mahaisavariya**, President, and accompanied by Assoc. Prof. Nopraenue Sajjarax Dhirathiti, Vice President for International Relations and Corporate Communication, Prof. Dr. Chartchalerm Isarankura-Na-Ayudhya, Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies, and Assoc. Prof. Dr. Palangpon Kongsaeree, Dean of the Faculty of Science, along with delegates from the Faculty of Medicine Ramathibodi Hospital, Faculty of Physical Therapy, and Faculty of Engineering, officially visited Indonesia's Ministry of Education, Culture, Research, and Technology to discuss the Indonesian Government Scholarship and introduce collaborative programs in physical therapy to broaden the experience of Indonesian students.

Following the courtesy call to the Ministry, Mahidol University representatives visited Universitas Indonesia (UI), Gadjah Mada University (UGM), Airlangga University, and Institut Teknologi Sepuluh Nopember (ITS) to discuss collaboration in establishing the MU-Indonesian Higher Education Institutions Consortium. The purpose of this consortium is to set up a framework for obtaining fundings from the Indonesian Government to drive projects such as the Research Matching Fund, Double Degree Program, Entrepreneurship Mobility, and Internship Program.

Additionally, Prof. Dr. Chartchalerm Isarankura-Na-Ayudhya as Chair of the Leading Working Group on the Development of the Healthy University Rating Systems, under the AUN-HPN, presented plaques and certificates to Universitas Indonesia, Gadjah Mada University, and Airlangga University for their achievement. These universities were recognized as 5-star and 4-star health institutions.

On this occasion, Mahidol University executives paid a courtesy visit to H.E. Mr. Prapan Disyatat, Ambassador of Thailand to Indonesia, to explore opportunities for strengthening ties between Thailand and Indonesia in education and health cooperation.

