Professor Ali Gufron Mukti
PhD Public Health (2000)

*Doctor Of Philosophy (Community Med & ClinEpid)*

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Professor Ali Gufron Mukti, Minister for Health of the Republic of Indonesia is a Professor of Medicine and Public Health with expertise in health insurance and health financing, as well as health service quality, family medicine and epidemiology. As Vice-Minister for Health, Professor Mukti is responsible for overseeing the implementation and development of Indonesian health policy as well as increasing accessibility to health insurance for Indonesia’s poor.

In 2008, at the age of 46, Professor Mukti was appointed Dean of the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Gadjah Mada, becoming the youngest dean and professor ever appointed by the University.

Professor Mukti’s research into epidemiology, health insurance, managed health care and health financing has been published in more than 40 international and national journals.
2012 RECIPIENT OF THE INDONESIA AUSTRALIA YOUNG ALUMNI AWARD

Krishda Tan

Graduate Chemical Engineer with Rio Tinto Pacific Aluminium.

Bachelor of Chemical Engineering 2010 (First Class Honours, University Medal)

While a student of the University, Mr Tan participated in numerous on-campus volunteer engineering programs and donated his time to assist fellow engineering students as the Young Engineers Australia Campus coordinator. Through this role he helped reduce the drop-out rate of first-year engineering students through a targeted mentoring program and a student networking night.

Mr Tan was also heavily involved in the Faculty of Engineering and Built Environment’s Student Ambassador Program and helped promote engineering degrees to high school students at expos and open days. He now visits his high school in Malang, Indonesia annually and inspires other students to follow in his footsteps.

Following an internship at ORICA Mining Services, Mr Tan was offered a position with the company and his work with explosive emulsion was patented as a commercial technology. Mr Tan is now a Graduate Chemical Engineer with Rio Tinto Pacific Aluminium at Gove Alumina Refinery in the Northern Territory.
2012 FINALIST OF THE INDONESIA AUSTRALIA ALUMNI AWARD FOR BUSINESS LEADERSHIP AND BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

Ficky Maurya
CEO/MD of Sunrise Steel
Bachelor of Industrial Engineering 1996

Ficky Maurya, an industrial engineering graduate (1996) and CEO/Managing Director of Sunrise Steel, was listed as a top four finalist in the Business Leadership and Business Management category.
2010 RECIPIENT OF THE INDONESIA AUSTRALIA ALUMNI AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

Dr Agustinus Bandur

Director, Research Centre and Community Development. Saint Paul College of Education Sciences & Teacher Training.

Doctor Of Philosophy (Education) 2008

Dr Bandur is passionate about all aspects of research in education, and even with the local challenges like fluctuating electricity provisions and poor resources, he has worked tirelessly to improve research capacity in the region.

His work was recognised this year when he was announced the winner for the 2010 Indonesia Australia alumni award for excellence in education.

The award was offered through the Australian government in recognition of his contribution to the improved understanding of successful school-based management practices in Indonesia, and for influencing implementation of such for the benefit of school children in eastern Indonesia.

Dr Bandur jokingly refers to the university of Newcastle as a “wild jungled corridor” but enjoyed his time at Newcastle. He highly valued the research skills and academic writing workshops,

The study of leadership and management in education and the support of his supervisor Dr David Gamage during his time at the university of Newcastle.

He says his degree assisted him in the daily application of his duties when he returned to Flores.
When Professor Dr Edy Tri Baskoro talks about mathematics, his eyes light up. It’s obvious that it’s more than his academic profession; it’s his passion and his life’s work.

Graduating in 1996 with a PhD from the University of Newcastle, he is now Professor of Mathematics at the Institut Teknologi Bandung in Indonesia and an adviser to the Indonesian Government through the Board of National Education Standards.

Last year, Edy competed in the rigorous selection process for Indonesia’s annual ‘Professorial Olympics’ and won the Gold Medal, considered to be the top academic award in the country. He is delighted it is the first time it has been won by a mathematician.

Edy’s Newcastle PhD supervisor Professor Mirka Miller and his colleague Dr Joe Ryan, nominated him for the Australian Alumni Award for Excellence in Education. This award, offered by Australian Education International (AEI), allows the Australian Government to acknowledge graduates of any Australian University who have made a significant contribution to Indonesian Education.
In February 2009, Professor Edy Tri Baskoro was announced as the co-winner of the Award from a very competitive field for his commitment to taking Indonesian mathematics to an international level and for his leadership and contribution to education delivery.

Edy is currently establishing research links with other universities in Australia, Japan, The Netherlands and Pakistan, and just for good measure, he is developing a model to promote mathematics to developing countries. He sees international academic collaboration as vital.

“Mathematics is everywhere, in every living thing. It is creative and strongly linked to Art. Creativity is the key," he said.