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The entire SCOPI board of directors and representatives extend their congratulations to Dr. Ir. Bayu Krisnamurthi, M.Si., the Advisory Board of SCOPI, on his appointment as a Professor of Agribusiness Policy at IPB University. May he continue to succeed and provide a sustainable impact on the agricultural industry, especially the coffee sector in Indonesia.

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Indonesia Coffee Festival 2023: Synergy and Collaboration for the Sustainable Growth of Indonesia's Coffee Industry



Jakarta, May 5-7, 2023 – The Indonesia Coffee Festival (ICF) 2023 has officially taken place. This event brought together all participants in the coffee industry ecosystem, from upstream to downstream, including coffee farmers, coffee shop owners, and business players in the coffee sector.

The exhibition, organized by the Specialty Coffee Association of Indonesia (SCAI) and Panorama Media, offered various business needs in the downstream sector. In addition, ICF 2023 also featured the "Farmer Village," an interactive gallery serving as a platform to gather coffee farmers from various regions to showcase their coffee products, as well as demonstrate the coffee cultivation and processing processes. The successful realization of the Farmers Village was coordinated by the Saka Dala Foundation. In addition to the aforementioned aspects, the "Farmers Village" Gallery also showcased coffee beans produced by the coffee farmers supported by PMO Kopi Nusantara Makmur, which was initiated by the Ministry of State-Owned Enterprises (BUMN) and served as the main sponsor of ICF 2023.

ICF 2023 was not just an exhibition but also a platform for communication and collaboration among coffee industry stakeholders. In fulfilling its "Advocate & Communicate" function, SCOPI was present at the Farmer Village booth to introduce its programs to the stakeholders attending the festival. SCOPI also utilized this opportunity to establish partnerships and promote coffee beans produced by farmers who received assistance and guidance from SCOPI Master Trainers (MTs) in various regions.

In this event, SCOPI used this opportunity to open collaboration in increasing Indonesia coffee production from stakeholders such as from State-Owned Enterprises Ministry, PMO Kopi Nusantara, CEOs of BUMN companies like BRI, Jamsostek, Pegadaian, as well as other stakeholders who have concern on coffee industry. With this event, SCOPI would expect a synergy between BUMN and SCOPI to support the improvement of a more profitable coffee ecosystem for farmers.



During ICF 2023, SCOPI also established collaborations and strengthened business networks with members and partners, such as Rainforest Alliance, Kopi Tuku, Progresso, Pandawa Agri Indonesia, Klasik Beans, IIT Coffee, William Edison, and Sanyo Trading. The discussions allowed for an exchange of information about ongoing programs and potential future collaborations.

SCOPI used the ICF 2023 platform to introduce its programs and membership system to coffee companies from upstream to downstream. These coffee companies showed interest in sustainable practices and the welfare of future farmers. The National Sustainability Curriculum (NSC) became an intriguing topic during discussions with these coffee companies.

With the success of ICF 2023, it is hoped that the synergies and collaborations established at this event will continue to support the sustainable, equitable, and profitable growth of the Indonesian coffee industry for all stakeholders.



NATIONAL COFFEE COMMODITY CLIMATE SCHOOL:

"IMPACT AND MITIGATION OF EL NINO PHENOMENON ON COFFEE COMMODITIES IN INDONESIA"

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NATIONAL COFFEE COMMODITY CLIMATE SCHOOL

Monday, June 5, 2023 – In an effort to anticipate the potential impacts of the predicted El Nino phenomenon expected to occur from the second half of 2023 to early 2024, PMO Kopi Nusantara and SCOPI collaborated to organize a webinar titled "Impacts and Mitigation of the El Nino Phenomenon on Coffee Commodities in Indonesia."

The event was successfully conducted online, where experts, coffee farmers, and relevant stakeholders gathered virtually to discuss effective mitigation strategies. During the event, representatives from BMKG (Meteorology, Climatology, and Geophysics Agency) explained that the El Nino phenomenon would occur in Indonesia in the second semester of 2023 and might persist until early 2024. El Nino leads to a decrease in rainfall, resulting in a longer dry season. This, in general, can directly affect the decrease in coffee commodity productivity and necessitates several mitigation efforts by farmers to reduce its adverse effects.

During the El Nino period, Indonesia will face unusual weather conditions, including above-average temperatures, irregular rainfall patterns, and drought periods in some regions. Based on historical data collected, the Meteorology, Climatology, and Geophysics Agency (BMKG) projected that this year's El Nino is expected to be in the low to moderate category.

Furthermore, Researchers from the Climate Change Information Center at BMKG informed that from August to October 2023, the amount of rainfall is expected to be below normal, particularly in areas such as Sumatra, Java to East Nusa Tenggara (NTT), parts of Kalimantan, and parts of Sulawesi.

Webinar participants were also provided with insights into potential impacts, such as changes in rainfall patterns that can affect coffee plant growth, increased air temperatures that can lead to thermal stress on plants, and a higher risk of disease spread due to drier environmental conditions.

How can coffee farmers reduce the negative impacts of the El Nino phenomenon? Here are nine recommendations provided by Puslitkoka, a research center under the auspices of the PTPN Group, which has been the center for the development of Indonesian coffee since 1911.

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- **Targeted Irrigation:**

Farmers can perform irrigation in areas of their plantations where possible; this is an effort to mitigate the impact of reduced rainfall due to El Nino.

- **Canopy Maintenance and Addition**

Avoid pruning canopy plants at the end of the rainy season and add more canopy plants in areas still receiving rainfall. Canopy plants help reduce excessive sunlight intensity and shield coffee plants from direct sunlight during the dry season.

- **Control Pre-Dry Season**

Clearing weeds not only provides extra nutrients for coffee plants but also reduces soil evaporation, enabling plants to utilize groundwater more efficiently.

- **Organic Fertilizer Application**

Organic fertilizers help maintain soil moisture, reinforce soil structure, and provide essential nutrients for coffee plants. This indirectly aids in decreasing soil water evaporation during the dry season.

- **Increased Nitrogen Fertilization Late in Rainy Season**

Applying additional nitrogen fertilizer at the end of the rainy season can enhance the drought resistance of coffee plants. An extra 25% of the annual dose of nitrogen fertilizer is recommended to be applied towards the end of the rainy season to combat the impact of El Nino.

- **Optimized Mulching**

Farmers are also advised to optimize the application of mulch (with a thickness of 5-15 cm) using all available organic mulch materials such as crop residues, straw, and other materials to slow down the process of groundwater evaporation.

- **Manual Control of Coffee Fruit Borers**

Manual control methods, such as removing infested cherries before harvest and cleaning up fallen cherries, can reduce pest infestations in subsequent harvest seasons.

- **Agroforestry and Multiple Cropping**

Adopting agroforestry and multiple cropping patterns, where coffee is grown alongside trees or other crops, can help maintain groundwater levels and reduce El Nino impacts.

- **Utilizing Drought-Tolerant Superior Coffee Varieties**

In the long term, the use of superior coffee plant varieties that are tolerant to drought is important for Indonesian coffee farmers, for both expanding cultivation areas and replanting.

This webinar provided an opportunity for stakeholders in the Indonesian coffee industry to collaborate and share knowledge in order to face challenges that may arise due to the El Nino phenomenon. With proper preparation and careful mitigation measures, it is hoped that coffee production can be maintained properly despite unpredictable weather changes.



ITFC AND SCOPI CONDUCT TRAINING TO ENHANCE CAPACITY OF COFFEE EXTENSION WORKERS IN INDONESIA

Karo, Indonesia - June 16, 2023 - The International Islamic Trade Finance Corporation (ITFC), together with the Sustainable Coffee Platform of Indonesia (SCOPI), successfully organized a comprehensive training program on the utilization of monitoring and evaluation (M&E) tools and business proposal development for coffee extension workers, also known as Master Trainers (MTs), in Indonesia. The training workshop, held from June 16 to June 18, 2023, marked a significant milestone in the Master Trainer Upgrade (MUG) Program under the Indonesia Coffee Export Development Program initiated within the ITFC's Integrated Trade Solutions (ITS) framework led by the Trade and Business Development (T&BD) Department in 2021.

The training brought together 30 active SCOPI Master Trainers from Aceh, North Sumatra, Jambi, and South Sulawesi regions in Indonesia with a primary objective to enhance the MTs' capacity in utilizing M&E tools to effectively report, evaluate achievements, and monitor the adoption of sustainable coffee practices among farmers. Additionally, the training included special sessions on business proposal development aimed to equip MTs with the skills necessary to develop compelling business proposals, enabling them to establish viable enterprises within the coffee sector. Overall, the training is expected to contribute to improve coffee production in an inclusive and sustainable way in Indonesia.

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Esteemed guests including Mr. Richard Atmadja, the SCOPI Executive Board Chairman, who emphasized the importance of monitoring and evaluation training. The aim is to enhance the farmer assistance activities conducted by MTs, transforming them into an informative database that brings broader benefits to all parties involved. Moreover, the MTs will receive guidance on creating business proposals, enabling them to establish and operate a profitable business in the coffee sector. This will contribute to the MTs' financial sustainability in fulfilling their responsibilities.

Mr. Nasser Al-Thekair, General Manager of Trade and Business Development at ITFC, delivered a virtual speech highlighting the significance of the two trainings.

“As a result of this training, our Master Trainers will gain valuable insights and learn practical techniques to enhance their monitoring and evaluation practices, ultimately leading to improved outcomes for coffee farmers and the industry as a whole. Equally important is the development of business proposals that are innovative, robust, and financially viable. With a focus on business proposal development, we are empowering our Master Trainers to think creatively, identify new opportunities, and forge sustainable partnerships that will contribute to the sustainable growth and competitiveness of the coffee industry.”

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Furthermore, in her opening remarks, Mrs. Cory Sriwaty Sebayang, Regent of Karo, represented by Mr. Metehsa Purba, the Head of the Karo Agriculture Office, highlighted the substantial increase in demand for Karo Coffee. This increase can be attributed to the growth of the coffee market on both national and global scales. Additionally, Mrs. Sebayang emphasized that Karo coffee possesses unique characteristics as the Karo region is situated between two active volcanoes. Through this training, the Karo government hopes to increase coffee farmers' adoption of GAP and Post-Harvest and open up the widest possible opportunities for marketing Indonesian coffee.

As part of the MUG program, SCOPI and ITFC reaffirm their commitment to supporting the sustainable improvement of Indonesia's coffee productivity and exports by enhancing the competence of Master Trainers. The collaboration with stakeholders remains a key focus, as it enables the wider impact of the program and paves the way for a prosperous future for Indonesian coffee farmers.

GCP MEMBERS ASSEMBLY AND COUNTRY CONGRESS



Our productivity is very low. Despite ranking second in terms of land area after Brazil, our productivity ranks fourth after Brazil, Vietnam, and Colombia. This is due to a lack of access to information and optimal farming practices. Therefore, we have developed the National Sustainability Curriculum and implemented a master trainer training program.

Wildan Mustofa

Executive board of Sustainable Coffee Platform of Indonesia (SCOPI)

Leaders from the coffee sector in various countries were present to share their valuable insights. The six GCP Country Platforms, namely Brazil, Honduras, Indonesia, Kenya, Uganda, and Vietnam, shared their respective Country Strategies/Strategic Plans that have recently been developed as part of GCP's new two-tier strategy to improve farmer well-being.

During the sessions of sharing and in-depth discussions, each platform provided an overview of their country's challenges, proposed solutions, and specific strategies to achieve national goals and, ultimately, contribute to GCP's 2030 objectives by reducing at least 25% of the income gap for over one million smallholder farmers in more than ten countries. Thanks to the valuable input and suggestions from participating GCP members, the Country Plans/Strategy Plans of each platform will be further refined before implementation.

GCP MEMBERS ASSEMBLY AND COUNTRY CONGRESS

Bonn, Germany - June 27, 2023 - The Global Coffee Platform (GCP) has organized the GCP Members Assembly, followed by the Country Congress. This event serves as a dynamic platform for over 120 participants, including GCP members, national and international coffee industry players, as well as sustainability experts, to come together to celebrate progress, discuss new opportunities, and explore the strategic vision of GCP 2.0, which focuses on achieving transformational changes for farmers by 2030.





SCOPI's 2023–2030 Strategy: Paving the Way Towards Prosperity and Sustainability for Coffee Farmers

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In line with the globalization process occurring worldwide, sustainable practices are increasingly becoming a necessity for various industries. The coffee sector, which is an integral part of Indonesia's economy, is no exception. The Sustainable Coffee Platform of Indonesia (SCOPI) has formulated a comprehensive strategy to support its vision from 2023 to 2030, aiming to enhance sustainable coffee productivity and improve the well-being of farmers. With an ambitious goal of reducing the income gap for 126,000 small coffee farmers by 2030, SCOPI's strategy is not just a vision but also a roadmap for tangible change.

Enhancing Coffee Sustainability and Productivity

One of SCOPI's strategies is to pursue sustainable coffee productivity improvement and increase coffee farmers' income through several sectors, including the adoption of Good Agricultural Practices (GAP), coffee-agroforestry cultivation (best intercropping practices), climate-smart agriculture, and farmer capacity building. SCOPI recognizes the importance of a multi-aspect approach and the need for multi-stakeholder cooperation, especially in supporting the proposed strategy. In support of this strategy, SCOPI has formulated several key initiatives:

- Development of Coffee Agroforestry Modules (Economic, Environmental, and Productivity-Based Approaches).
- Workshops and Training (Best Practices in Coffee Agroforestry).
- Distribution and Monitoring of Tree Seedlings.
- Coffee Farmer Capacity Building (Diversification, Financial, Market, Technology).
- Climate Change Resilience and Adaptation for Coffee Farmers.

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Ensuring Responsible Agrochemical Use

Ensuring responsible agrochemical use in coffee cultivation is of utmost importance to maintain environmental sustainability, human health, and the quality of the final product. In support of this strategy, SCOPI is formulating several key initiatives to be implemented by 2030:

- Research to map the distribution of residues on coffee beans, workshops on research findings and the collection of best practices in responsible agrochemical use, and training for trainers and coffee farmers on the proper use of agrochemicals in coffee farms.
- Policy Advocacy to Support Coffee Sustainability and the Future of Coffee Farmers in Indonesia

Strengthening Platform Capacity - SCOPI

Enhancing platform capacity is a crucial step in achieving sustainability goals in SCOPI's Strategic Plan. Improving organizational capacity helps members and stakeholders engage in more complex and effective activities. In this regard, SCOPI has formulated several key initiatives:

- Encouraging industry stakeholders to network within the SCOPI platform to achieve long-term strategic goals, particularly sustainable coffee productivity in Indonesia.
- Enhancing and strengthening relationships with the Indonesian government regarding the implementation of new regulations/policies.
- Increasing SCOPI's resources to support the joint implementation of the strategic plan with members and stakeholders in the coffee industry.

SCOPI AND PUR SYNERGIZE TO ENHANCE COFFEE CULTIVATION SUSTAINABILITY IN INDONESIA



Indonesia plays a crucial role in the global coffee industry. However, the high demand for Indonesian coffee is not accompanied by adequate production growth. Coffee farmers often face challenges in increasing production volume, with the assumption that land expansion is the primary solution. Nevertheless, factors such as plant age, overly close planting distances, and a lack of appropriate knowledge are real obstacles.

In addition to low productivity, the adoption of sustainable farming practices and vulnerability to climate change also hinder sustainable performance in the coffee industry. This continues to be a constraint for the coffee supply chain and efforts to improve the welfare of coffee farmers in Indonesia.



In its effort to address these challenges, the Sustainable Coffee Platform of Indonesia (SCOPI) collaborated with PUR Project to conduct a feasibility study in August 2023 to identify and implement sustainable farming practices in coffee cultivation in North Sumatra and South Sumatra. With a focus on enhancing farmers' knowledge of Good Agriculture Practices and Agroforestry, SCOPI and PUR Project aim to bring about positive changes in the Indonesian coffee industry that is sustainable from the economy, social, and environmental perspectives.



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This potential and feasibility study of developing agroforestry projects in coffee commodities was conducted by considering several factors, including relevance, technical feasibility, feasibility in the budget implementation, easiness and quality of the implementation, as well as potential and long-term sustainability.



This study involves interactions with various stakeholders, ranging from local governments to farmers. Through group discussions, field visits, and the collection of ecological and socio-economic data, this study is expected to provide a holistic overview.

The main objective of this study is to evaluate the potential and feasibility of implementing agroforestry practices in coffee cultivation. By assessing the economic, social, and environmental impacts, SCOPI and PUR Project strive to implement a program that benefits farmers and supports long-term environmental sustainability. This collaboration is expected to result in a Feasibility Study Report that includes information about the potential and feasibility of implementing the program in North Sumatra and South Sumatra.



SCOPI PRESENTS STRATEGIC PLAN FOR INCREASING COFFEE PRODUCTIVITY AND FARMER WELFARE

On Thursday, August 31, 2023, the Sustainable Coffee Platform of Indonesia (SCOPI) conducted a significant audience visit to the Directorate of Plantation Protection at the Ministry of Agriculture. In this meeting, Ms. Ade Aryani, as the Executive Director of SCOPI, presented an ambitious strategic plan to support sustainable coffee productivity improvement and enhance the well-being of coffee farmers across Indonesia.



One of the primary objectives of SCOPI's Strategic Plan is to reduce the income gap of coffee farmers by 10% by the year 2030. During the meeting, SCOPI highlighted key strategies involving the promotion of responsible pesticide use among farmers to maintain access to international coffee markets. SCOPI hope that the strategic plan aligns with government programs, particularly in the development and the sustainability of coffee industry in Indonesia.

The presentation of SCOPI's strategic plan was well-received by the Director of Plant Protection, Mr. Ir. Hendratmojo Bagus Hudoro. He acknowledged that one of SCOPI's proposed strategies is in line with programs already implemented by the Directorate of Plantation Protection. Furthermore, Mr. Hendratmojo expressed his hope that the upcoming program will be more effective if it reaches areas that have not previously received assistance from the government's State Budget (APBN). Thus, positive impacts, such as changes in behavior and increased income for farmers, can be measured as a result of program implementation.

SCOPI and the Directorate of Plantation Protection are committed to continued collaboration in efforts to enhance the coffee sector in Indonesia, with the ultimate goal of benefiting coffee farmers and promoting sustainable industry growth. Both parties hope that this cooperation will bring about significant positive changes for the Indonesian coffee farming community.

Member Spotlight



edufarmers

Edufarmers is a non-profit organization with a vision to enhance the agriculture sector in Indonesia through sustainable education and training. With the primary mission of improving the welfare of farmers, Edufarmers is committed to creating a repository of practical knowledge and research in the field of agriculture that can benefit the public, thus fostering synergy in efforts to enhance food security. Focusing on the four pillars of food security issues - Availability, Access, Utilization, and Sustainability - Edufarmers bridges the gap in production, and affordability, and promotes environmentally friendly and economically sustainable farming practices. It not only empowers current farmers but also nurtures future agricultural leaders who will bring innovation and positive change to the Indonesian agricultural landscape.



Amri Ilmma

Edufarmers COO

Amri Ilmma has over a decade of experience in the fields of agriculture and sustainable development. He holds an MPA degree in Public Administration and International Development from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University and an M.Sc. in Economics from the University of Indonesia. As the Chief Operating Officer at Edufarmers, he leads the organization in realizing its mission and vision, as well as contributing to the improvement of Indonesia's agriculture sector through education and training.

With a background in economics and extensive experience in the agriculture sector, Amri has successfully achieved several breakthroughs, such as creating agricultural modules to enhance small-scale farmers' practices, organizing the Agrinnovation Conference, which attracted over 800 participants and facilitated collaboration with more than 30 agritech companies from across Indonesia, and implementing innovative solutions to enhance the quality and efficiency of farming. His dedication to creating positive change in the industry makes him a pivotal figure in Edufarmers' efforts to empower farmers and promote sustainable agricultural growth.