

## Five UGM Students Join OKTI 2015 in Paris

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More engagement in international events was done by students of Universitas Gadjah Mada. Now, five UGM students joined the Scientific Olympiad (OKTI)2015 from 27-29 November 2015 at the UNESCO office in Paris, France.

They were able to go to Paris to present their scientific paper along with 25 other finalists. The students are Daniel Oktavianto Jusuf (Natural Sciences and Mathematics), Putu Yunartha P.P (Economics & Business), M Hasbiansyah Zulfahri (Cultural Sciences), and Faradisa Bintana Aulia and Nur An Nisa Milyana (Engineering).

"There were 30 finalists presenting their paper in the event," said Nur An Nisa Milyana when contacted on Friday (11/12).

The OKTI Olympiad is a regular event hosted by Indonesian Students Association of France every two years. This year the theme is "Constructing Strategies for Maritime Axis as Indonesia's Core Policies in Advancing ASEAN Community 2015". There were 321 participants from graduate and post-graduate programmes from universities in 16 countries.

"There was a test to select the abstracts, followed by full paper and presentation in Paris," she said.



The girl nicknamed Asa further mentioned that she presented a title "Sustainable Coastal Urban Environment for Facing Global Threat and Local Natural Hazards (Case Study: Semarang City, Jawa Tengah)". She described the coastal areas of Semarang that is vulnerable to natural disasters. He recommended government and stakeholders to re-arrange the areas in order that these are resilient to disasters. In spatial aspects, the government is asked to observe the building feasibility there to minimise damage during disasters.

Asa explained the 30 papers already presented there would be published in the Indonesian Scholar Journal (ISJ). It had been submitted to former President, Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, and Mayor of Bogor, Bima Arya.

Asa was proud to be able to present the paper in the world level. He gained a new experience there and learned much on the potential of Indonesia to become a world maritime axis.

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