

# Gabriel Asem Chairman of West Papua UGM Alumni Association

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Gabriel Asem, S.E., M.Si., current Regent of Tambrauw, has been elected Chairman of UGM Alumni Association of West Papua for the period of 2018-2023.

Alumnus of Development Economics class of 2005 has been elected by a team comprising ten members who are representatives from regencies in the province. They also elect local executives of the association for 2018-2023.

The event took place on Sunday (?) in Swiss Bel-Hotel, Sorong, attended by Rector of UGM and other leadership of the university.

Ferdinandus Taa, S.H., M.Si. executives, expressed his excitement that the West Papua branch of UGM alumni association was finally established which is expected to be the media for communication of the alumni and UGM.

“There are around 500 alumni of UGM across West Papua so that the formation of this association is



expected to bridge the communication between the alumni and university,” he said. He added the executives board would hold a meeting soon and would submit the names of the new executives to the central alumni association.

Rector of UGM, Prof.Ir. Panut Mulyono, M.Eng., Ph.D., welcomed the alumni association establishment, hoping this would help the communication between the alumni and UGM as well as contributing to regional development.

"Hopefully, the alumni would be able to produce thoughts that are useful to regional and state development," he said.

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