

Hundreds of Indonesian Professors Discuss National Issues at UGM

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Up to 200 professors from various Indonesian universities are scheduled to attend the National Working Meeting of Indonesian Professor Forum (FDGBI) at Senate Hall UGM on the upcoming Saturday (9/1).

Presenting Chairperson of the Presidential Advisory Council, Prof. Dr. Sri Adiningsih, M.Sc., who will deliver a keynote speech themed *The Role of Professors in Welcoming Golden Indonesia in Digital Era*.

The National Working Meeting will be commenced personally by Director General of Science & Technology Resource and Higher Education, Prof. dr. Ali Ghufon Mukti, MSc.

“In the next meeting, professors from various Indonesian universities will discuss how to improve the role of professors in the distribution of development, including educational equity issues,” explained Chairman of UGM Board of Professors, Prof. Drs. Koentjoro, MBSc., Ph.D., when holding a press conference at the office, Tuesday (8/28).



Koentjoro mentioned Indonesia is still facing many problems. For that reason, the role of professors is required to untangle the problems of the nation.

“Professors are thinkers of the state, so future non-political problems will be discussed in the meeting. The expected outcome is how this forum takes part in the nation and state development. Do not let the professors get involved in practical politics,” he said.

Meanwhile, Secretary of UGM Board of Professors, Prof. Gunawan Sumodiningrat, M.Ec., Ph.D., stated the meeting is also organized to commemorate the first anniversary of Forum. The forum’s establishment was initiated by UGM and now consists of 62 universities in Indonesia.

The next meeting, he stated, will not only discuss plans to increase the role of professors in national development but also signing the Memorandum & Article of Association, clustering, and compiling work programs.

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