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RANA 2023 Winner at East-West Center Helps Educational Reform by Promoting Innovative Learning Strategies & Methods

Jakarta, September 8, 2023 - **Mr. Carl Moog** from the Philippines is honored as the recipient of the **2023 R-Adhikarya 'Niche' Award (RANA) at the East-West Center (EWC)**. The scholarship will support his Ph.D. studies at the University of Hawaii and the EWC, commencing in September 2023, focusing on educational reform and innovative learning.

Conducted annually, the R-Adhikarya 'Niche' Award has been granting scholarships since 2020 for RANA Winners at three U.S. educational institutions: **the EWC, Stanford University, and Cornell University**. The International Selection Committee (ISC) of RANA and EWC recognized Carl Moog for his academic achievements and involvement in education-related initiatives and projects across various countries.

Carl obtained his master's in International Education Development from the University of Pennsylvania, USA, under a full scholarship as a UNESCO Fellow. He was a merit scholar and Class Valedictorian at the University of Asia & the Pacific in Manila, where he earned his dual BA/MA degrees in Humanities and Development Education.

Carl then worked in academia, delivering courses on educational technology and corporate social responsibility (CSR) while teaching and practicing yoga as a certified instructor in Ashtanga and Vinyasa.

Carl was a consultant and managed CSR projects in the Philippines, Indonesia, Malaysia, and Vietnam. He served international agencies such as USAID, World Vision, Education Development Center, RTI International, and UNICEF Philippines. He managed projects involving education-in-emergencies, educational technology, and inclusive education. He gained experience in helping children access education during natural disasters, training teachers to enhance their competencies, and assisting the Philippine Government in crafting educational policies focusing on the marginalized.

While interning at the UNICEF Pacific Multi-country Office in Fiji in 2023, Carl worked in 14 different Pacific Island Countries, researching the remote learning experiences of students in Tonga. He also played a role in providing educational emergency response during the recent cyclones and earthquake in Vanuatu.

The R-Adhikarya 'Niche' Award is offered to Carl in conjunction with the East-West Center's Graduate Degree Fellowship Scholarship, with a total value of **US\$103,000**. This award will enable Carl to pursue his Ph.D. in Global and International Education at the EWC and University of Hawaii and connect with other emerging scholars and leaders committed to shaping a better-quality education in the Asia-Pacific region.

With his passion for improving access to and quality education, Carl envisions an Asia-Pacific where all children have access to quality education aligned with 21st-century needs. He plans to study & develop educational transformation strategies by combining new innovative communication technologies and educational methods with the wisdom and experiences of 'seasoned' teachers, by new learning habits and disruptive culture of the Digital Technology Era's generations.

"Carl's career achievements, study plan, and vision will be important for transforming the quality of education needed in the Disruptive Digital Revolution era," said **Dr. Ronny Adhikarya**, the RANA Founder and Initiator. As his long professional career globally was with many United Nations agencies and the World Bank, Ronny is also pleased and proud that the RANA Program at the EWC supports an excellent Ph.D. student with impressive academic and practical experiences, especially working with international organizations.



About R-Adhikarya "Niche" Award (RANA)

The RANA Scholarship Program since 2020 has 2 Winners at Cornell University, 2 Winners at Stanford University, and 4 Winners at the East-West Center (EWC).

The R-Adhikarya "Niche" Award (RANA) is a token of appreciation for individuals who have demonstrated innovative, 'niche' thinking in their studies and careers. Awarded annually since 2020, it enables young visionaries with a learning-oriented growth mindset to study at one of three world-class educational institutions in the United States: the East-West Center (EWC), Stanford University, and Cornell University.

These institutions were part of Dr. Ronny Adhikarya's academic journey. He attended Cornell for his master's degree and Stanford for his Doctoral degree, obtaining a fellowship from each university. Dr. Adhikarya then worked as a research staff member at the EWC before continuing his extensive career in international development assistance. Over more than 45 years, he worked at the World Bank in Washington DC, USA, the United Nations/FAO in Rome, Italy, and with many well-respected institutions in other countries.

Dr. Adhikarya and his wife, Mee-Ching, offer RANA in gratitude and see it as their global contribution to the education sector, especially in Indonesia. Kiroyan Partners (KP), a leading public affairs consulting firm, has agreed to partner in this endeavor by providing support to coordinate and implement the communication, publicity, and marketing activities of RANA, as well as coordinating and maintaining the internal communication platform for the RANA's International Selection Committee (ISC) members. KP believes this initiative aligns with its commitment to support human capital development in Indonesia.

More information on RANA Prospectus can be found on:
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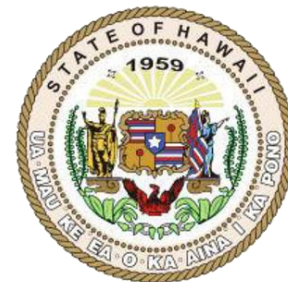
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