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The Board of International Scholars Conference

Re: 8th International Scholars Conference Postponement

Dear Board Members,

On behalf of the 8<sup>th</sup> International Scholars Conference (ISC) organizing committee of Universitas Klabat (UNKLAB), Manado, Indonesia, we would like to update you with the latest development of the conference.

After much prayer and consultation, UNKLAB administration has met on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2020 and decided with regret to postpone the 8<sup>th</sup> ISC which is scheduled for 27-28 October 2020 due to the unprecedented global COVID-19 pandemic.

In light of the global uncertainty surrounding COVID-19, travel and immigration restrictions, general individual concerns related to travel during this time, as well as the financial repercussion, the organizing committee concluded that postponing the conference, until we have further clarity on this situation, is the best course of action.

Therefore, we would like to propose to the ISC board that the 8<sup>th</sup> ISC be rescheduled to next year, 26-27 October 2021. We are monitoring the situation carefully and will continue to provide updates on the conference on our soon to be released ISC website, through email communication, and on social media platforms. Upon ISC board approval, we will make a formal announcement on the postponement of the conference to all ISC constituents.

We thank you for your patience and understanding as we navigate these uncertainties related to COVID-19. Let us unite in prayer and ask for the Lord's guidance during this challenging time.

For any questions related to this postponement, please feel free to contact our Research Department at <a href="mailto:research@unklab.ac.id">research@unklab.ac.id</a>. We would be glad to answer.

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