#### ACADEMIC WRITING FOR INTERNATIONAL PUBLICATION

# A Series of Workshops Presented by the American Institute for Indonesian Studies (AIFIS) to Promote the Research of Indonesian Scholars Sponsored by the Henry Luce Foundation

With support from the Henry Luce Foundation, AIFIS is organizing a series of workshop to assist Indonesian researchers preparing manuscripts for submission to international refereed English-language academic journals. The workshops will take place between 2018 and 2020, and will focus on obstacles Indonesian scholars face when submitting English-language materials to highly ranked publications, and on strategies and methods to overcome these obstacles.

Indonesian scholars face steep challenges when trying to publish and disseminate their research findings internationally, and their publications have limited international impact.

Qualified mentors selected by AIFIS will help participants identify weaknesses in the structure of their manuscripts and in the presentation of information. The goal is to help authors meet the expectations of editors of international publications, and of the referees who evaluate submissions. The workshops will give participants a greater understanding of the publication process, including submission and evaluation of manuscripts, and insights into why manuscripts are accepted or rejected.

#### CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

# ACADEMIC WRITING WORKSHOP FOR INTERNATIONAL PUBLICATION 29-31 October 2018

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Submission Deadline: Wednesday, August 15, 2018

AIFIS is pleased to announce a workshop for early- and mid-career Indonesian scholars aimed at promoting the publication of Indonesian research in international refereed journals. The workshop will take place from Monday to Wednesday, October 29-31, 2018 at the Fakultas Ilmu Budaya campus of *Universitas Gadjah Mada* in Yogyakarta. The workshop will be co-hosted by AIFIS and Universitas Gadja Mada.

AIFIS invites applications from Indonesian scholars doing research on Indonesian topics in disciplines within the social sciences and humanities, including but not restricted to

Anthropology, Economics, History, Political Science, Psychology, and Sociology. Application forms are made available by writing directly to AIFIS at <a href="workshop@aifis.org">workshop@aifis.org</a> Questions about the application process, administrative matters, topic suitability and other details should be directed to AIFIS staff at workshop@aifis.org.

All applications must be submitted by midnight on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>August 15, 2018</u> (Yogyakarta time). Successful applicants will be notified by <u>Friday</u>, <u>September 14, 2018</u>.

Participants must be able to attend all three days of the workshop.

# The aims of the workshop:

- (1) Provide feedback on draft articles submitted by participants.
- (2) Explain what editors look for in evaluating manuscripts, and describe common mistakes made by authors.
- (3) Enhance the quantity and quality of published research in the social sciences by Indonesian scholars.
- (4) Create a scholarly community and intellectual peer-support groups among Indonesian scholars in the social sciences and humanities.
- (5) Encourage scholars to engage in dialogue spanning different disciplines, enabling mutual understanding and planting the seeds for potential collaboration across the social sciences and humanities within Indonesia and internationally.
- (6) Assist scholars in launching successful careers.

# Structure of the workshop:

The workshop will take place over three full days.

- The first day will be devoted to presentations and discussions of strategies for publishing in international journals, with explanations of how the review process works and what authors can do to improve the likelihood that their work will pass an initial screening and be sent out for referees' reports.
- On the second day, participants will take part in small group session and individual consultations based on their research papers. These sessions will highlight strengths and weaknesses of the papers submitted for discussion, and ways that authors can present their research findings that will improve their chances of success. Individual sessions will include discussions of what authors need do to prepare their manuscript for submission.
- On the third day, participants will participate in practical exercises relating to the presentation of scholarly materials and demonstrating points raised during the sessions on day two. The participants are also expected to attend a halfday public symposium to be held in the afternoon of October 31, 2018.

# Participants:

AIFIS workshops are designed for late-stage doctoral students (in the final stages of dissertation writing), post-doctoral researchers and junior faculty members (within ten years of completing their PhDs).

### Cost:

With financial support from the Henry Luce Foundation, AIFIS will cover expenses related to the organization of the workshop, including all workshop-related materials, certificates, meals and coffee/tea breaks. Workshop participants will receive a local transportation allowance if they are not staying near the Depok campus.

AIFIS may, on a case-by-case basis, provide limited funding to partially cover travel costs as well as room and board for selected out-of-town participants traveling to Yogyakarta to attend the workshop. However, applicants from outside Yogyakarta should plan to seek full or partial funding to cover travel, room and board from their home institutions or other sources.

#### **IMPORTANT:**

Because English is the language in which most internationally visible research is published today, the preferred language of submission for applications is English.

However, AIFIS may also consider submissions in Bahasa Indonesia from selected scholars whose research is of significant quality and importance and has the potential, if translated into and published in English, to make an impact in the discipline in which it will be published.

#### **About AIFIS**

AIFIS is a consortium of leading American universities and colleges that have Indonesian Studies programs or a strong, demonstrated interest in furthering the development of Indonesian Studies in the United States and worldwide. AIFIS's mission is to support educational exchange between Indonesia and the United States, promoting expanded public knowledge and understanding of Indonesia in America and globally by providing grants for scholars and opportunities for research seminars and symposia.

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the Council of American Overseas Research Centers (CAORC), and the Henry Luce Foundation, as well as an in-kind contribution to AIFIS's Jakarta office from the Putera Sampoerna Foundation and Sampoerna University. AIFIS is headquartered in Ithaca, New York and has two research centers in Indonesia: one in Jakarta, at the Universitas Siswa Bangsa Internasional (*Sampoerna* University), and one in Yogyakarta, at Universitas Gadjah Mada.

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