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SUMMARY

Eight years of professional working experience for university, research, and government institutions, with analytical, detail-oriented, strategic thinker, hard worker, and fast learner characteristics, manifested in the wide range of skills including project management, academic research and writing, critical and strategic thinking and communication, diplomacy and negotiation, team working, translation and interpreter skills, microsoft office, and social media. Native speaker of Bahasa and fluent in English. IELTS Score: 7. Scopus H-Index: 4.

EXPERIENCE

HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY, Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Makassar, Indonesia, *Aug 2018 – Present*

Civil Servant Lecturer (Assistant Professor), Department of International Relations

Teaching core courses of the International Relations undergraduate program, including Introduction to IR, IR Theory, Indonesian Foreign Policy, Foreign Policy Analysis, International Politics, International Political Economy, International Cooperation and Organization, and Theory and Practice of Diplomacy. Supervising undergraduate student thesis. Conducted guest lecture with speakers from academia and practitioners from both national and international institutions. Involved at the University Publication Management Center to convert undergraduate theses into an international journal format ready for journal article submission. Chaired international conferences organized by the faculty, including being Editor-in-Chief of their proceedings publications.

HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY, Publication Management Center (PMC), Makassar, Indonesia, *July 2022 – Present*

Editor-in-Chief, Hasanuddin Journal of Strategic and International Studies (HJSIS)

Leading the management of Hasanuddin Journal of Strategic and International Studies (HJSIS), a nationally accredited Rank Four (4) journal by the Indonesian Ministry of Higher Education, Science and Technology. HJSIS is a biannual, open-access, international, peer-reviewed journal that disseminates current and original articles from researchers and practitioners that enrich understanding and contribute to the past, current, and future discourse and issues in strategic and international studies relevant to the Indo-Pacific region. **Accreditation Link:** <https://sinta.kemdiktisaintek.go.id/journals/profile/13817>. **Journal Link:** <https://journal.unhas.ac.id/index.php/hjsis>.

HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY, Research and Community Service Agency, Makassar, Indonesia, *July 2022 – Present*

Researcher, South Pacific Study Centre

Won internal research grant four times and conducted research in Indonesia's foreign policy and diplomacy in maritime (2021 & 2022), economic (2023), and cyber (2025) research areas. Conducted focus group discussion (FGD) with the Indonesian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) officials and other foreign policy stakeholders regarding contemporary issues of international relations in the South Pacific.

UNIVERSITAS INDONESIA, Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Jakarta, Indonesia, *Sep 2013 – Feb 2014*

Research Assistant, Centre for International Relations Studies (CIRES), Department of International Relations

Contracted research assistant, responsible for assisting senior researchers in conducting research related to international relations issues. The activities included undertaking literature reviews, interviewing high-ranking officials and experts on the research topics, transcribing the interview results, coordinating and conducting Focus Group Discussions (FGDs), and organizing an international seminar to disseminate research outcomes.

INDONESIAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MOFA), Jakarta, Indonesia, *Nov – Des 2010*

Intern, Policy Analysis & Development Agency (A think tank within the Indonesian MOFA).

Registered and classified general and secret diplomatic cables received by the ministry from the Indonesian embassies and consulates overseas. Assisted senior officials in conducting FGDs directed to craft foreign policy recommendations for the ministry.

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE, Melbourne, Australia, *July 2017*

Master of International Relations (M.IR.), Faculty of Arts, School of Social and Political Sciences

- Weighted Average Mark (WAM): 74.06 (Second Class Honours Divison B); GPA Conversion: 3.60 (Honours)
- Activities: Melbourne International Relations Society, Indonesian Students Association in Australia

UNIVERSITAS INDONESIA, Jakarta, Indonesia, *July 2015*

Master of Science (M.Si.), Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Department of International Relations

- GPA: 3.81 (Cum Laude)
- Activities: Center for International Relations (CIRES)

HASANUDDIN UNIVERSITY, Makassar, Indonesia, *November 2011*

Bachelor of Political Sciences (S.IP.), Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Department of International Relations

- GPA: 3.50 (Honours)
- Activities: International Relations Student Association, English Debating Society, Model UN Club

AWARDS AND HONOURS

- **Australia Awards Indonesia (AAI) 2025 Short Course on Foreign Policy: Strategic Equilibrium in the Indo-Pacific**, hosted by Griffith University, funded by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) Australia (held on 10 – 26 October 2025, in Canberra, Brisbane, and Sydney, Australia) (25 awardees were selected out of 200 applicants)
- **Awardee of Collaborative International PhD Training**, jointly conducted by Leeds University, Universitas Indonesia, and British Council Indonesia (held on 28 July – 1 August 2025, in Depok, Indonesia) (30 awardees were selected out of 125 applicants)
- **Awardee of the 1st Center of Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) Young Scholars Workshop on Indonesian Foreign Policy**, conducted by the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) Indonesia, on 14 – 18 October 2019 in Jakarta, Indonesia (10 participants were selected out of 50 applicants).
- **Australian National University 2017 Conference Scholarship Awardee** as Delegate of the Asia-Pacific Week (APW) Conference 2017, conducted by Australian National University (ANU), (held in Canberra, Australia)
- **Indonesian Ministry of Finance 2016 Conference Scholarship Awardee** as Oral Presenter at the Asia-Pacific Conference on Security and International Relations (APSEC) 2016, conducted by International Academic Forum (IAFOR) (held in Osaka, Japan)
- **Indonesian Ministry of Finance 2015 Master's Degree Scholarship** to the University of Melbourne, Australia
- **Indonesian Ministry of Foreign Affairs 2012 Honourable Mention Award**, Nusantara Model United Nations 2012 (Economic and Social Council-Ecosoc), representing the United States of America (held in Bandung, Indonesia)
- **Hasanuddin University Delegate to the Harvard National Model United Nations (HNMUN) 2012**, Boston, USA.
- **Hasanuddin University 2011 Best Speaker (English Debating Category)**, Makassar, Indonesia

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Articles

- Putra, B. A., Cangara, A. R., & Darwis. (2024). Middle Power Norm Entrepreneur: Indonesia's Advocacy of the ASEAN Indo-Pacific Outlook. *SAGE Open*, 14(4). <https://doi.org/10.1177/21582440241302149>
- Cangara, A. R., Putra, B. A., Lumumba, P., Alarsah, C. S., & Lestari, A. F. A. (2023). Indonesia's Presidency on G20 2022: Unpacking Its Digital Economic Diplomacy in Advancing Indonesian MSMEs Digital Economic Transformation. *Mandala: Jurnal Ilmu Hubungan Internasional*, 5(2), 244–277. <https://doi.org/10.33822/mjhi.v5i2.5116> (ejournal.upnvj.ac.id)
- Putra, B. A., & Cangara, A. R. (2022). Deficiencies of Coercive Maritime Diplomacy for Middle Powers amid Indo-Pacific Geopolitics: An Indonesian Perspective. *The International Journal of Interdisciplinary Global Studies*, 17(2), 9–19. <https://doi.org/10.18848/2324-755X/CGP/v17i02/9-19> (research-information.bris.ac.uk)
- Cangara, A. R. (2022). China's Responses towards the US Pivot to Asia: "The Dialectics of Hedging and Counter-hedging". *Asian Institute of Research Journal of Social and Political Sciences*, 5(3), 55–61. <https://doi.org/10.31014/aior.1991.05.03.363> (asianinstituteofresearch.org)
- Cangara, A. R., & Darwis. (2022). Economic Protectionist State Policy: An Analysis of Its Enduring Practices in the Contemporary International Trade Relations. *Asian Institute of Research Journal of Social and Political Sciences*, 5(3), 1–6. <https://doi.org/10.31014/aior.1991.05.03.357> (asianinstituteofresearch.org)
- Cangara, A. R. (2022). The UN MDGs in Indonesia: Analyzing Its Failure in Eradicating Poverty in Indonesia. *Asian Institute of Research Journal of Social and Political Sciences*, 5(1), 117–126. <https://doi.org/10.31014/aior.1991.05.01.340>
- Burhanuddin, A., Putra, B. A., & Cangara, A. R. (2021). Examining the Relevance of Indonesia's Maritime Culture in the Discourse of Social Bonding in Maritime Diplomacy: Case Study in South Sulawesi. *International Journal of Interdisciplinary Social and Community Studies*, 16(2), 181–193. <https://doi.org/10.18848/2324-7576/CGP/V16i02/181-193> (scholar.unhas.ac.id)

Books and Conference Proceedings

- Cangara, H. A. R. Z., & Muhammad, S. (Eds.). (2025). Proceedings of the Asia Pacific Sociological Association Conference (APSA 2024) (Atlantis Highlights in Social Sciences, Education and Humanities, Vol. 35). Atlantis Press. (Atlantis Press)
- Cangara, A. R., Ismail, A., & Ansar, M. C. (Eds.). (2024). Proceedings of the World Conference on Governance and Social Sciences (WCGSS 2023) (Advances in Social Science, Education and Humanities Research, Vol. 843). Atlantis Press. ISBN 978-2-38476-236-1 (Atlantis Press)
- Cangara, H. A. R. Z. (2024). The changing world order: Critical issues in global politics. Ambassador Publishing. (ambassadorpublishing.id)
- Cangara, H. A. R. Z. (2022). Dinamika Kebijakan Bantuan Luar Negeri Australia: Eksplorasi Kepentingan Geoekonomi Australia dalam Kebijakan Aid for Trade di Asia Tenggara (The Dynamics of Australia's Foreign Aid Policy: An Exploration of Australia's Geoeconomic Interests in Aid for Trade Policy in Southeast Asia). Deepublish. (catalogue.nla.gov.au)

CONFERENCE AND PRESENTATIONS

Conference Presentations

- Association of Southeast Asian Studies (ASEAS) Conference 2025, Cambridge University, Cambridge, United Kingdom (2025). **Presentation Title:** Regionalizing Efforts against Cyber Threats: Tracing the Process, Progress, and Prospect of Indonesia's Cyber Diplomacy in Addressing Cyber Threats in Indonesia and Southeast Asia
- Southeast Asian Conference on Migration and Development (SEACMD) 2023, Mataram University, Mataram City, West Nusa Tenggara, Indonesia (2023). **Presentation Title:** United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and Gender Based Violence: Examining UNHCR Roles in Tackling Gender-Based Violence Against Women Refugees in Makassar
- Hasanuddin International Conference on Social and Political Sciences (HICOSPOS) 2019, Hasanuddin University, Makassar City, South Sulawesi, Indonesia (2019). **Presentation Title:** The Implications of Changing Maritime Security Geo-Strategic Landscape of Southeast Asia towards Indonesia's Jokowi Contemporary Foreign Policy
- The Asia-Pacific Conference on Security and International Relations (APSEC) 2016, IAFOR-Osaka University, Osaka, Japan (2016). **Presentation Title:** The Failure of US Pivot/Rebalance to Asia: Why does this Policy Just Increase the Degree of Security Dilemma in Asia?

Conference Management

- Asia Pacific Sociological Association (APSA) Conference 2024, Department of Sociology, Hasanuddin University, Makassar, Indonesia; **Role: Vice Chairman**
- World Conference on Governance and Social Sciences (WCGSS) 2023, Faculty of Social & Political Sciences, Hasanuddin University, Makassar, Indonesia; **Role: Chairman**
- Hasanuddin International Conference on Social & Political Sciences 2019, Faculty of Social & Political Sciences, Hasanuddin University, Makassar, Indonesia; **Role: Project Officer.**
- Conference On Two Decades of Indonesia's Reform: Reflections On Social And Political Change In Indonesia, The University of Melbourne, Melbourne, Australia; **Role: Project Officer**

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIP

- **Research Grant** of Research and Community Service Agency, Hasanuddin University, 2025; **Research Title:** Analysis of the Effectiveness of Indonesian Cyber Diplomacy in Improving Cyber Security in Indonesia and the Southeast Asian Region; **Role: Research Team Leader**
- **Research Grant** of Research and Community Service Agency (LPPM), Hasanuddin University 2022-2023; **Research Title:** Analysis of the 2022 Indonesian G20 Presidency on Increasing Indonesia's Digital Economic Diplomacy Capacity; **Role: Research Team Leader**
- **Research Grant** of Research and Community Service Agency (LPPM), Hasanuddin University 2021-2022; **Research Title:** Analysis of the Effectiveness of Indonesia's Cooperative, Persuasive and Coercive Maritime Diplomacy as an Effort to Defend National Sovereignty; **Role: Research Team Member**
- **Research Grant** of Research and Community Service Agency (LPPM), Hasanuddin University, 2020-2021; **Research Title:** Mapping Culture-Based Maritime Potential in South Sulawesi for the Development of Indonesian Maritime Diplomacy; **Role: Research Team Member**
- **Research Grant** of Research and Community Service Agency (LPPM), Hasanuddin University, 2018-2019; **Research Title:** Smart & Sustainable Urban Development Model in Gowa Regency, South Sulawesi, Indonesia; **Role: Research Team Member**
- **Research Grant** of Research and Development Directorate, Universitas Indonesia, 2013-2014; **Research Title:** The Perception and Readiness of Local Government to Enter ASEAN Economic Community 2015 (Case Study: Jakarta, Surabaya, and Makassar (Indonesia); Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia); and Bangkok (Thailand)); **Role: Research Assistant**

OTHER ACTIVITIES AND QUALIFICATIONS

- **Invited Speaker** in the Centre for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) Indonesia National Workshop 2024 on "Reviewing Indonesia's Foreign Policy Direction and Strategy", jointly conducted by CSIS Indonesia, Universitas Islam Internasional Indonesia (UIII), and University of Gadjah Mada (held on 23 October 2024, in Yogyakarta, Central Java, Indonesia). **Presentation Title:** From Free and Active to Free and Empowered Foreign Policy Principles: The Potential Transformation of Indonesia's Foreign Policy under President Prabowo Subianto's Administration
- **Invited Speaker** in the National Seminar with the theme of "Indonesia and BRICS: Developing a Roadmap to a New Era of Multipolar Economics", conducted by Department of International Relations, Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Tanjungpura University (held on 23 November 2024, in Pontianak, West Kalimantan, Indonesia). **Presentation Title:** Discoursing the Role of BRICS & Indonesia's BRICS Policy
- **Invited Speaker** in the National Webinar with the theme of "Consolidating ASEAN Centrality Amidst the Geopolitical Dynamics of AUKUS-China in Striving for International System Stability", conducted by Department of International Relations, Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Tanjungpura University (held on 23 November 2024, in Pontianak, West Kalimantan, Indonesia). **Presentation Title:** AUKUS-China Geopolitical Dynamics: A Test for ASEAN Centrality & Consolidation