



**SIS**

**Annual Report | 2023**

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# Work & Meetings of the board

*We increased from 61 members in 2022 to 81 members in 2023!*



The Board held 6 recorded meetings during the period. The Board has used digital communication tools such as Zoom, email and WhatsApp in its work. During 2023, SIS organized in total 15 activities. Each board member took responsibility in leading the coordination of each activity.

## **SIS Members**

At the end of 2023, we had 81 paying members. The ambassador for Indonesia in Sweden in Stockholm is a honorary member of SIS. Members received information about SIS activities through e-mail and social media. The Board has invited members to actively engage and contribute in organizing SIS events. With new programs we have tried to make a closer relationship and interaction to the people we exist for, our members. We are also always trying to listen carefully to suggestions that has been given by members and actively interacting with members / potential media in our social media.

## **Website, Facebook, and Instagram**

The Swedish-Indonesian Society's website [www.svensk-indonesiska.se](http://www.svensk-indonesiska.se), Facebook, Youtube and Instagram form the public face of the society and the society's communication channels.

Isabel Nielsen have taken on the main responsibility for administering, maintaining, and updating the association's website, Instagram and Facebook.

### **SIS Members**

Family members: 41  
Single: 20  
Pension / Student: 20  
**Total: 81**



## Sahabat

During the year, four issues of the member newspaper Sahabat were published in SIS webpage and sent to members by e-mail. Isabel Nielsen took role as the editor of Sahabat. The writers has completely been based on volunteer writers and interest for contributing with texts can be seen as high.

Just as last year, there have been almost no cost for either printing or postage due to our now established use of electronic writings. We have had 3-4 members that have been asking us to not receive information on email and some of them have said that they prefer and wanted to continue to receive Sahabat on paper. We have fulfilled these wishes with no extra cost for these members.

Just as 2022, Sahabat is still a trilingual digital magazine as we have no plans on changing with at least one article in Bahasa Indonesia and one in Swedish in each issue.

This year it has been a total of 12 writers for 4 number s of Sahabat. We still do not have any idea of having permanent or fixed writers who writes in every edition of Sahabat. Instead we are open and rely 100 % on voluntary writers in each edition to invite as many different perspectives and interests as possible.



# MEET THE BOARD



**Isabel Nielsen**  
Chairman  
Editor of Sahabat



**Susie Arnevig**  
Vice Chairman /  
Member Administrator



**Fumi Harahap**  
Finance



**Sissel**  
Program Planner



**Katarina Hellman**  
Secretary

Auditor: Herman Brundin  
Deputy Auditor: Jan Olof Seifert

Nomination Committee:  
Kadri Chanafiah, Nada Danielsson,  
Pia Söderberg



## ACTIVITIES DURING THE YEAR

### 1 **Julgransplundring 2023-01-15**

After some years of not having the event of Julgransplundring, we decided to reintroduce this activity as the first activity for 2023. Games, fika, glögg and dancing around the Christmas tree was a successful event with about 40-50 participants in total. The event was planned by Fumi Harahap

### 2 **Annual Meeting 2022-02-06**

### 3 **Survey March 2023**

Before choosing theme for Pasar Malam 2023, that also came to influence other activities during the year, we decided to ask our members for their opinion on the theme. The idea was to choose a quite unexplored area of Indonesia. West Kalimantan got most votes and therefore also became the challenge for 2023.

### 4 **Tari Ruai - Jungle Dance, April - September 2023**

We started this class in beginning of April, according to the theme "West Kalimantan" we took help from online tutorials and learned how to dance Sundays at Sensus premises in Medborgarplatsen. It has been different participants during our classes and four of the participants also performed at Pasar Malam. Study Circle leader: Isabel Nielsen. Free and opened for member and non-member.



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### 5 **Language Online Classes April - June 2023**

In April we had about 20 persons who registered for language class in Swedish. Sissel Almqvist and Isabel Nielsen were responsible for the classes, giving 6 classes in total, 3 classes each with a very different number of participants.

We also planned to start a language class with a teacher in Indonesian language who lives in Sweden. Unfortunately, even though many were interested the schedule did not seem to fit for the students which led to that we had to cancel language classes in Indonesian language.

### 6 **Guided tour in the Parliament, 2023-05-11**

SIS was offered an opportunity to get a guided tour in the Parliament building. We were given both history and interesting learnings about the daily life for the members of the parliament. Adam Reuterskiöld, who also was one of them who initiated the idea of a Friendship Association between the parliaments of Sweden and Indonesia was holding the tour.

### 7 **Gym Class with fika, 2023-06-11**

In the beginning of June, we invited Marco, a personal trainer from Indonesia for a gym class at Lötsjön, Sundbyberg. This was combined with "After Workout Fika".



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### 8 **Summer Picnic 2023-08-06**

Our yearly summer picnic in August is always a great chance for catching up and having fun together. New from this year was the theme Kalimantan (this year not focusing on a specific part or province). More than 100 persons braved the rain, some people was selling delicious Indonesian food, we were also playing games, as the theme was Kalimantan the “orang hutan game” was played. We also had a number of speakers giving interesting and various sharings about Kalimantan. the rain, some people was selling delicious Indonesian food, we were also playing games, as the theme was Kalimantan the “orang hutan game” was played. We also had a number of speakers giving interesting and various sharings about Kalimantan. The event was prepared successfully by Fumi Harahap. SIS was also selling souvenirs from Kalimantan as well as coffee and cookies as a fundraising for Pasar Malam.

### 9 **Participating in Pesta Rakyat 2023-08-19**

Pesta Rakyat took place at the residence of the ambassador of Indonesia in Sweden. On this occasion we decided to celebrate the birth of Indonesia with products that are connected with West Kalimantan. We sold clothes and souvenirs from the area. We also sold pre-sale tickets for Pasar Malam. From SIS Katarina Hellman, Susie Arnevall and Sissel Almqvist represented SIS during the day.



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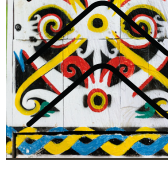
### 10 **Welcome to Sweden 2023-09-02**

Every year, the Swedish-Indonesian Society organizes an event called "Welcome to Sweden". We do this in cooperation with the Indonesian Embassy in Stockholm and the Indonesian Guest Students' Association (PPI). The event is primarily aimed at newly arrived Indonesian guest students. This year we had a lot of interesting speakers, i.e. Indonesian ambassador in Sweden, Kamapradipta Isnomo, the Deputy Head of Mission from the Swedish embassy in Jakarta, Gustav Dahlin, Susie Arnevill (vice chairman of SIS), Fumi Harahap (PPLN / SIS), Johan Lindqvist (professor at SU), Ika Atikoh (PPI) and many presentation from Indonesian organizations all over Sweden. This was a good opportunity to mingle and tie new contacts among the Indonesian communities in Sweden. The event was planned by Fumi Harahap.

### 11 **Pasar Malam 2023-09-10**

Pasar Malam this year was arranged by Isabel Nielsen and a team of about 10 persons. The theme was focused on KalBar (West Kalimantan) which was shown both in decoration, in dance performance, videos, coffee and handicrafts sold by SIS. New for this year was the exhibition about west Kalimantan, posters and QR-codes of the most famous places in West Kalimantan, Dayak exhibition, fabric exhibition etc. We had activities for children which could be seen in a children's corner where the younger got some time to express themselves with painting dayak figures. We also played gasing, popular game in Sambas. Last, we had a fashion show for the kids, a prize for best costume for the theme, West Kalimantan and a reward for Swedish-Indonesian Society's Friend of Indonesia 2022. The person who was receiving this title this year was Elisabeth Stenqvist. Ambassador Kamapradipta Isnomo, presented the SIS award to Elisabeth in the end of the event.





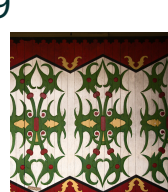
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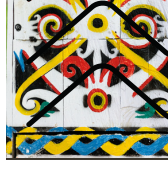
## 12 **Cooking Class 2023-10-28**

October 28th, we had a cooking class with the theme Bakso Malang. Susie Arnevill planned the event and Anik Sundqvist prepared the class.

## 13 **Donation to ASRI (Charity), November 2023**

At the beginning of this year, SIS was asked by some of our longtime members to start to focus on charity again. This has been an important part of our history. SIS has been involved in programs such as supporting an orphanage in Bali and helping victims from disasters in Lombok and Aceh. This year we together decided from the board to help an organization that focuses on reforestation in West Kalimantan. Alam Sehat Lestari (ASRI), is a local NGO and is active in Gunung Palung National Park located in West Kalimantan. Their aim is to implement health and conservation programs in order to reduce illegal logging. Communities in this area used to cut timber in the park due to limited access to health services partnered with a lack of alternative work opportunities. Because of that, ASRI opened a clinic in 2007 to provide affordable health services to all members of the community. Later ASRI also implemented a reforestation program, providing jobs to local community members to plant trees within the area. This helped to decrease incidents of illegal logging through employment. We did agree in the board to make a donation to ASRI and we decided to donate 2000 SEK from our budget. An addition was also made from the profit of the selling of fabrics, clothes and accessories that were remaining after Pasar Malam. From this, we raised 1355 SEK and separate donations of 320 SEK was also made from members. This made a total amount of **3675 SEK**





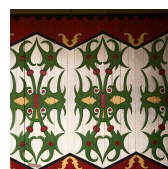
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## 14 **Webinar on Preserving the Forest of West Kalimantan 2023-11-26**

Evita Izza Dwiyaniti from ASRI and Isabel Nielsen did plan for a online webinar about the work of ASRI (see no 13). It was supposte to be about the organization, information about how to stop deforestation in Kalimantan and how they have been working on this and the positive impact on the communities around the area. Unfortunetly we had to cancel the event due to that only four persons had registered themselves for the webinar. However, Evita Dwiyaniti is positive to have another webinar with SIS in the future and we are still keeping contact with her.

## 15 **Social Walk 2023-12-03**

Another activity we were interested in trying this year was a social walk as a new activity. Katarina Hellman from the board were planning the walk, starting in Slussen and ending with a nice fika at a Bröd och Salt. Katarina also provide some interesting facts of the places that we passed while walking this cold Sunday.



# Thank You



The Svensk-Indonesian Society would like to thank all our members, partners in particular the Indonesian Embassy in Stockholm, Sensus Stockholm-Gotland, the Indonesian Guest Students' Association (PPI), Ruanita (Rumah Aman) and others. We would also like to thank our sister associations in Gothenburg and Malmö. The Board would like to thank all the volunteers and sponsors who have helped us in various events.





# Stockholm, March 2024

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