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About Us

EcoNusa Foundation (Yayasan Ekosistem Nusantara Berkelanjutan) is a nonprofit organization aiming to promote sustainable and equitable management of natural resources in Indonesia by strengthening local initiatives. To do this, EcoNusa encourages the development and capacity building of civil society groups while working with them to develop strategies for advocacy, campaigns, communications and stakeholder engagement. EcoNusa also promotes dialogue among stakeholders to advance sustainable natural resources management and at the same time promotes equality, conservation, and transparency. The foundation was officially founded on July 21, 2017, and is based in Jakarta.

EcoNusa Foundation bridges communication among stakeholders in Eastern Indonesia (Tanah Papua and Maluku). We aim to optimize the best practice of environmental protection and sustainable natural resources management based on equitable principles through concrete activities along with the local communities. We also introduce the sovereignty values of natural resource management and conservation to policymakers at the regional and national levels.



What we do

Our programs



Sustainable Oceans Movement

We focus on the issues which encourage sustainable management on the oceans including better management of fisheries. To build leadership from the community is one of the primary keys, while building public awareness on the hazardous single-use plastic waste as an essential angle. EcoNusa will continue to develop leadership at the local and national levels, especially for the younger generation, with the shared concerns for ocean sustainability.



Policy and Advocacy

Facilitating the parties to have common understanding in Papua and Eastern Indonesia is essential. We would like to ensure development works in Eastern Indonesia are effective and well-implemented. We support the stakeholders in prioritizing the needs, developing the strategic planning, guiding the implementation, and building its monitoring and evaluation mechanism. It can provide strategic direction for local, regional, and national policy makers to plan a way forward for supporting the sustainable development of Eastern Indonesia.



Public and Youth

Despite the pledge of Papua and West Papua Governments' to conserve its forest and coastal ecosystem through sustainable development practices, those agenda are not popular among local youth yet. Young generation needs knowledge and mindset of sustainable development so as to have sovereignty in natural resources management.

With those needs and gaps, EcoNusa Foundation has initiated the School of Eco-Diplomacy (SED) program to increase youth and young professionals' capacities and participation in promoting ecological diversity, cultural values, and sustainability issues in Indonesia, particularly in Papua, West Papua and Maluku islands. EcoNusa mobilizes young generations to care about ecological issues through various and challenging activities among youngsters.

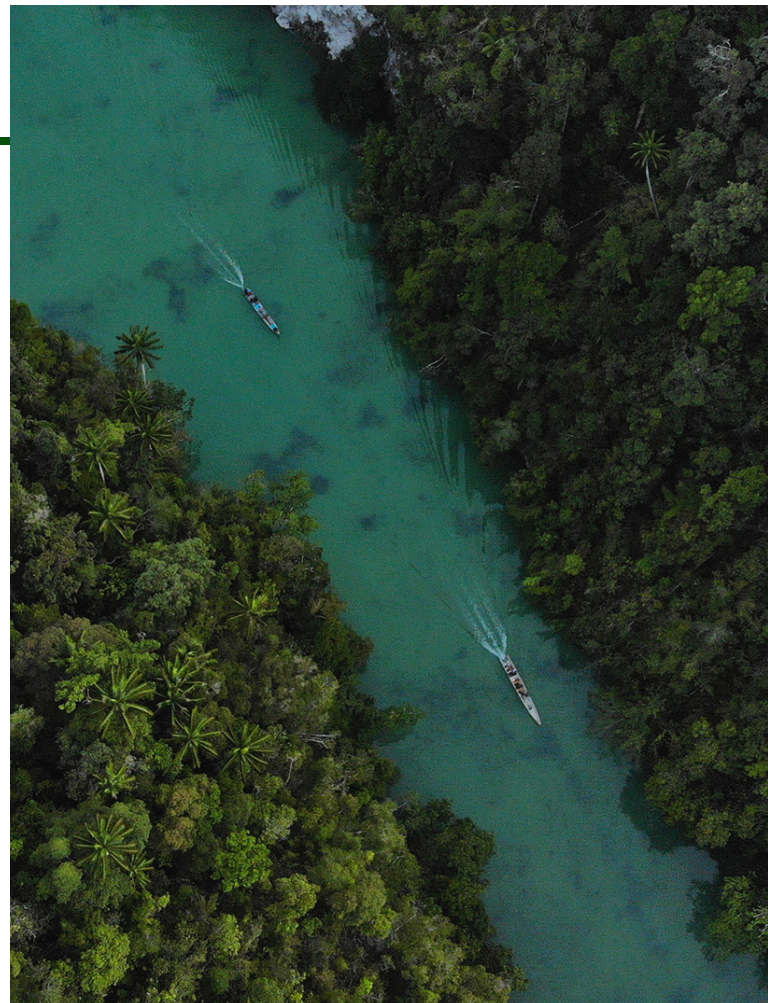
School of Eco Involvement

School of Eco Involvement (SEI) is an education program for village development cadres to create social justice by building a local cadre's capacity to develop their villages. In this respect, EcoNusa works in collaboration with a local partner, INSIST, to carry out the SEI program. The mission of SEI program is to facilitate young villagers and village leaders to identify their own potentials particularly on sustainable food, energy and environment. Doing so, they will have the capacity to develop their potential as local resources in a bid to build local resilience.



Sustainable Natural Resources Management

Forests and oceans are the source of livelihood for people in the eastern Indonesia. EcoNusa works with various stakeholders and local communities in Tanah Papua and Maluku Island to build self-reliance through sustainable natural resources management. The organization conducts some assessments in search of local potentials and commodities. It aims to empower the locals particularly the indigenous community by identifying local resources which are expected to make them economically independent while defending the last forests in Eastern Indonesia. EcoNusa does not only create village-owned cooperatives to manage commodity supply, but also makes every effort to link and match the local commodities and market.



What we have done so far



Econovation

Econovation aims to provide opportunities for young Indonesians who have business innovations to develop their businesses in order to create a sustainable economy that also supports the improvement of forest and marine ecosystems due to climate change.

Business ideas proposing on the Econovation are expectedly to respond to various challenges during and after the Covid-19 pandemic.

The ideas and innovations might become the solutions to real challenges faced by communities including farmers, fishermen and indigenous peoples, which can be scaled up nationally as a “build back better” method.



Defending Paradise

EcoNusa in collaboration with Cornell Lab of Ornithology held a campaign to preserve Tanah Papua and Maluku Islands tropical rainforests, the habitat of birds of paradise. The existence of these birds of paradise is a sign that the tropical rainforest in the eastern Indonesian archipelago is still standing up straight, providing life, and contributing to the balance of the world's climate and life on Earth.



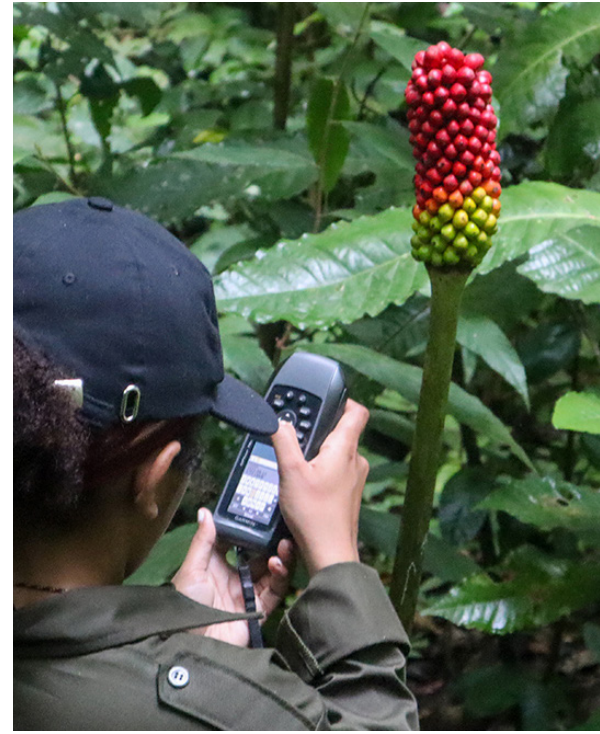
EcoDefender

When Indonesia's forests and oceans, especially in Eastern Indonesia, are in crisis due to degradation and exploitation, young people and their critical abilities are the frontlines to restore the ecosystems. Since 2017, EcoNusa has got a mission to create an intelligent, articulative, and competent young generation of Indonesia. Through various knowledge-giving activities and leadership capacity building, EcoNusa encourages the youth to pioneer sustainable futures by starting actions from where they live. They are EcoDefender, the protector of Indonesian nature.

Papuan Young Scientist

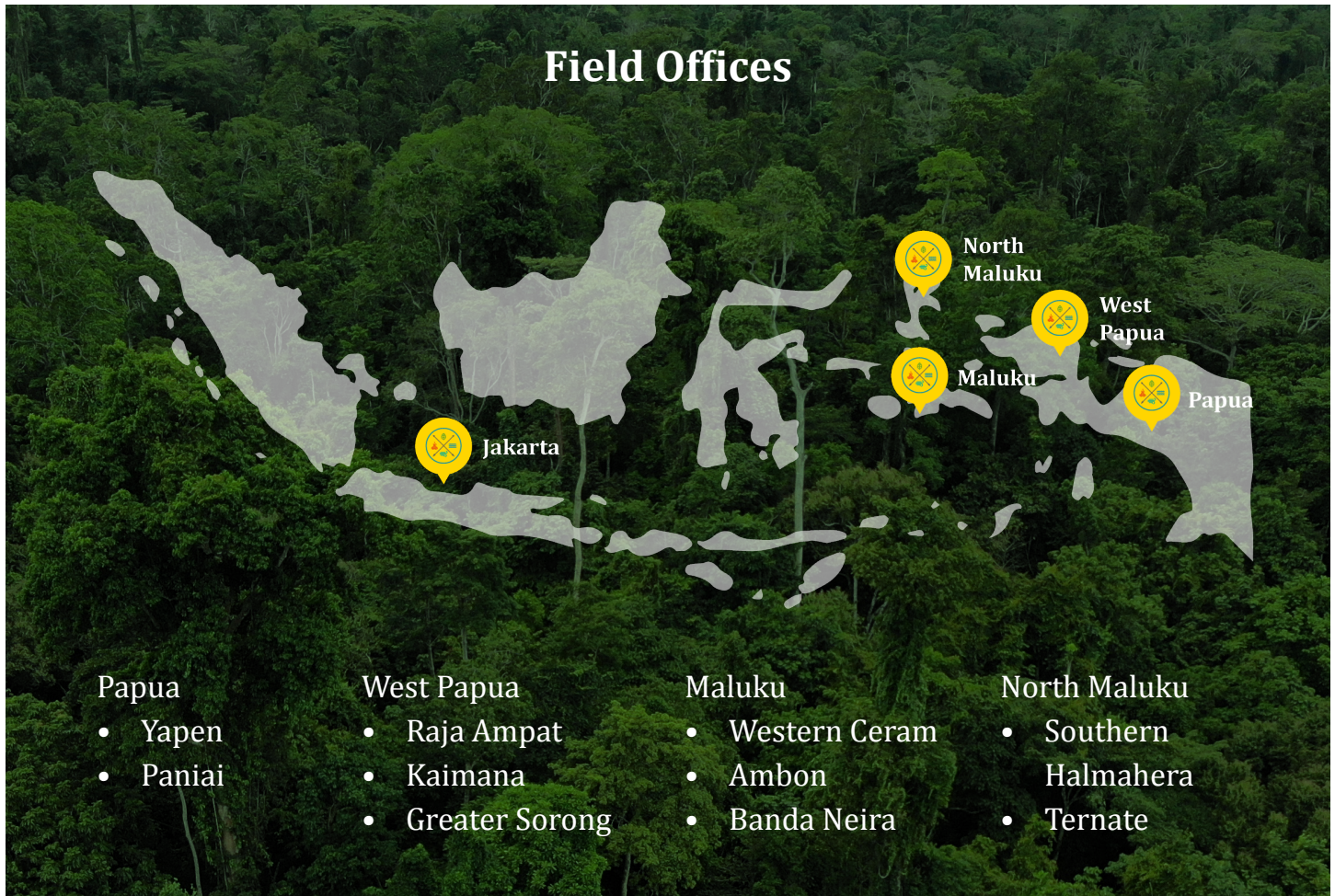
Papuan Young Scientist (IMP) program was initiated by West Papua's Research and Development Agency (Balitbangda) in collaboration with EcoNusa Foundation since 2020. The program aims to develop the capacity of public and private university students in Papua as credible researchers while supporting Papuan students studies on Tanah Papua.

Through IMP, young Papuans are expected to play their roles to create reflective and qualified studies as the basis for policy formulation and advocacy as well as innovation resources in Tanah Papua. Thus, there will be more motivated young Papuans to raise their interests in research, research capacity, and address their research results to extensive audiences.

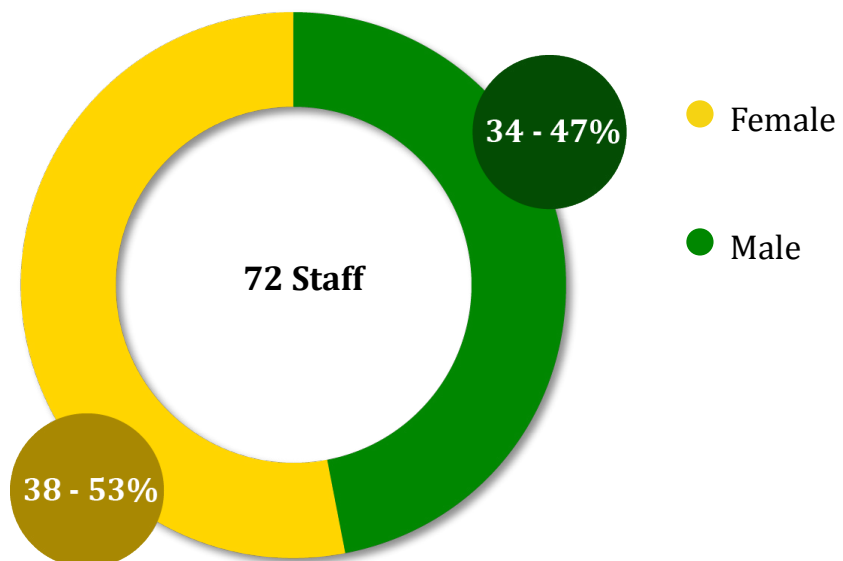


Highlights

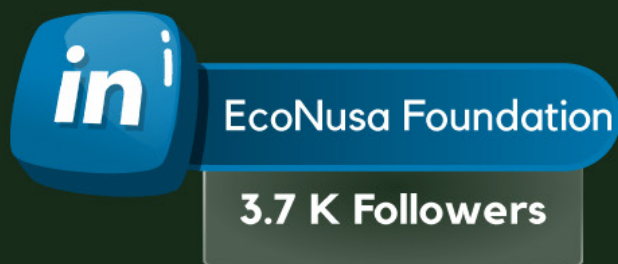
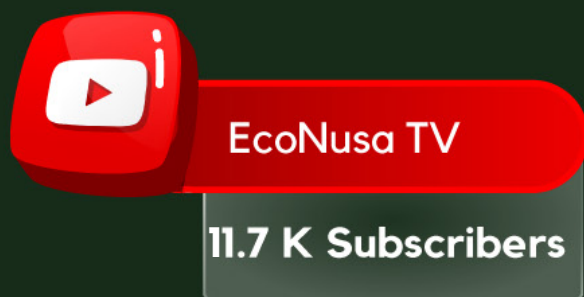
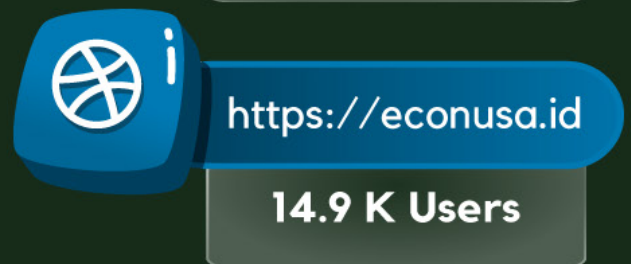
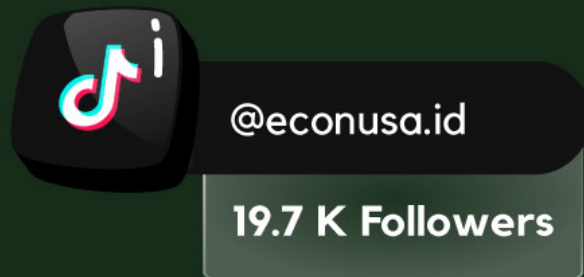
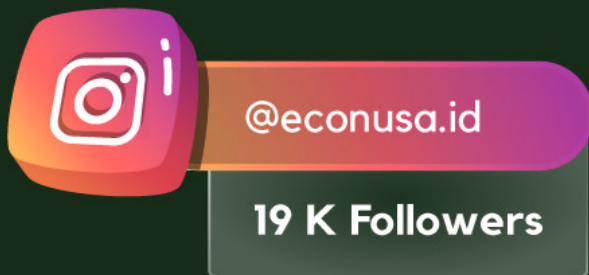
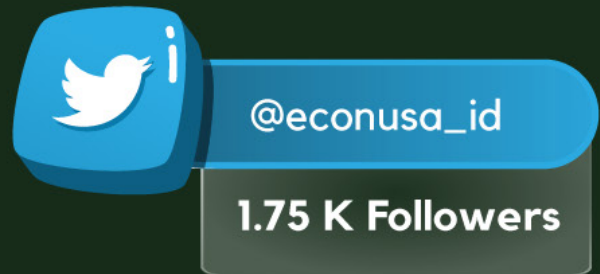
EcoNusa in Numbers



EcoNusa Team



Social Media & Digital Channels





SCHOOL OF ECO DIPLOMACY

221

Young
Registrants

68

Youngsters
Shortlisted

18

Regencies/Mayoralities
in Indonesia

5

Mentors

47

Resource
Persons

*Data 2020





School of Eco Involvement

Villages

10

Villages in Sorong

10

Villages in Merauke

7

Villages in
Western Ceram

11

Villages in Kaimana

Participant

123

Village Chiefs

146

Village Cadres

546

Direct Beneficiaries

Sustainable Natural Resources Management

4 Provinces **19** Regencies **90** Initiatives



16 Trainings on Local Commodity Management



6 Cooperatives



175 Participants



3 Village-owned Enterprises



19 Ecotourism Networks

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Research and GIS



3 Basic Training on GIS for local government staffers, CSOs and communities in
3 Regencies in West Papua Province

34 participants

6 CSO

14 Moi Tribe Group

Supply Chain study for

10 Groups of Corporation in West Papua

11 Groups of Corporation in Papua

2 Publications
Monitoring of forest cover in Tanah
Papua by satellite and flyover

587.712 hectares
of forests under looming threat of
palm oil estate

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Ocean



SAIL
TO
CAMPUS

9 Campuses
Participated

4 Universities Declaring Reduction
of Single Use Plastics



16 Online Events
on Ocean

More than
8,000
Online Participants

Beach Clean Up

21



locations

More than

16.800 kgs
of Coastal Debris



600

Mangrove
Planted



500

Coral Reefs

18

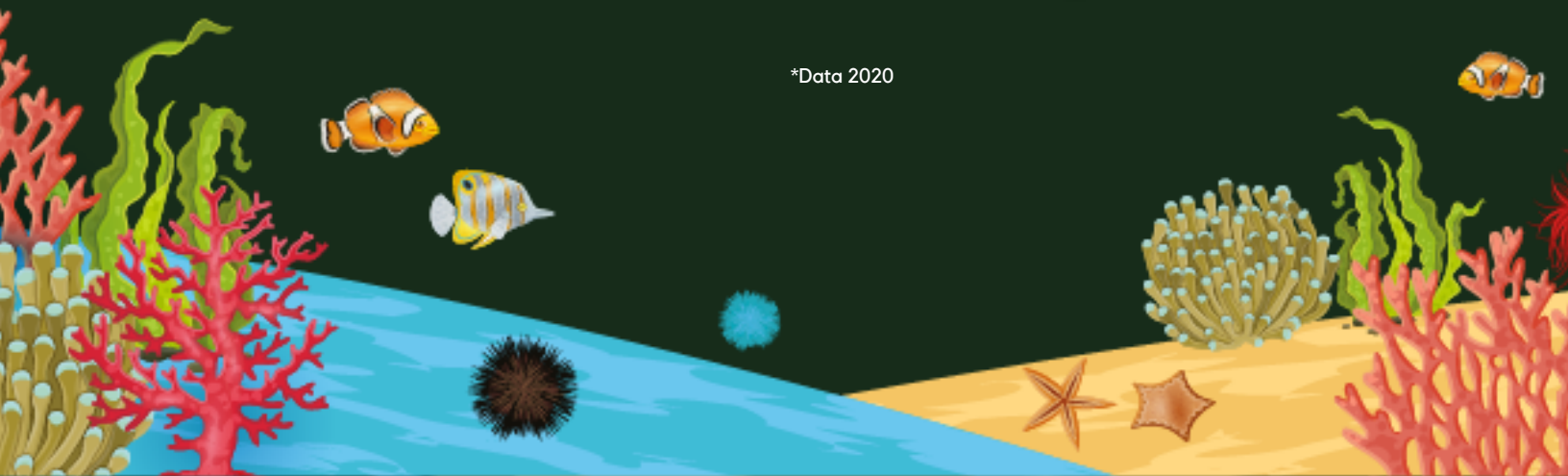
Initiators



More than

2,700 Participants

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