Cross-Country Scientific Meeting: Building a Good Scientific Publication System

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ABSTRACT

Scientific publication is an activity that plays a very important role in the dissemination of science and technology towards change for the better. In order to take part in this valuable activity, AloHA has pioneered the development of a scientific publication system in the form of 2 media, namely: four international scientific journals and an international scientific book publication. Now, the publication system has been operating smoothly and continues to be developed to achieve good conditions, so that it can be useful for the scientific community throughout the world.

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INTRODUCTION

Scientific publication is an activity that plays a very important role in order to spread science and technology towards change for the better.¹ With the publication in various forms such as journals, conferences, books, innovative research results can be disseminated so that they can used by the target and the general public², both to be applied directly in the framework of fulfilling everyday life, as well as to be studied and further developed through in-depth research. Especially in the current global era, the dissemination of science and technology can take place very quickly and without limits, especially through online publication.³

In order to take part in the dissemination of scientific works on an international level, the Alliance of Health Activists (AloHA) based in Bangli, Bali, Indonesia has held a round table meeting in Denpasar, Bali which was attended by the organizers of scientific activist organizations the health sector. Next the initiation meeting was called the Cross Country Scientific Meeting I (CC-Scime I). The meeting is expected to be the first meeting that can truly be the initial foundation for AloHA to pioneer a system of scientific publications that is effective and has wide reach.⁴

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Time, Location and Participants

CC-Scime I was held at the Bali Provincial Health Training Center, Jalan Gumitir 135, Denpasar, Bali, Indonesia. This event was held on the 9th to the 12th of July 2018. The relatively short time available was utilized as much as possible to realize the agenda of the meeting that had been planned beforehand. The main participants in this scientific activity were AloHA’s main organizers from two countries, namely Indonesia and the Philippines. In addition, there were also other participants namely lecturers and students of the Health Polytechnic of Denpasar, who were involved in an additional event organized by AloHA. (4)

Agenda

Main agenda of AloHA in CC-Scime I is to initiate a good scientific publication system especially in the health sector. However, AloHA is also preparing a publication system for other fields of science namely management, education and multidisciplinary. The development of this system begins with creating a new
publication media that can accommodate the need for scientific publications for researchers, lecturers, and other related parties. (4)

There are 2 main media publications successfully built by AloHA, namely:

1. Four international journals, each for the fields of health science, management, education and multidisciplinary. The four international journals are:

   a. Aloha International Journal of Health Advancement (AIJHA), which publishes scientific articles in the field of health. This journal begins its first issue in July 2018, with the address: Ngurah Rai Street-18, Bangli, Bali, Indonesia. (4),(5)

   b. Aloha International Journal of Management Advancement (AIJMA), which publishes scientific articles in the field of management. This journal begins its first issue in January 2019, with the address: Ngurah Rai Street-18, Bangli, Bali, Indonesia. (4),(6)

   c. Aloha International Journal of Education Advancement (AIJEA), which publishes scientific articles in the field of education. This journal begins its first issue in January 2019, with the address: Ngurah Rai Street-18, Bangli, Bali, Indonesia. (4),(7)

   d. Aloha International Journal of Multidisciplinary Advancement (AIJMU), which publishes scientific articles in all fields of science. This journal begins its first issue in January 2019, with the address: Ngurah Rai Street-18, Bangli, Bali, Indonesia. (4),(8)

2. International scientific book publishers. This book publishing is included in the category of non-governmental organizations, in the sense that it is not a category of government or commercial publishers. The name of the issuing institution refers to the name of the parent organization, the Alliance of Health Activists (AloHA), located at Ngurah Rai Street-18, Bangli, Bali, Indonesia. (4)

Implementation and Achievement of Activities

In the CC-SciMe I event, all four international journals have succeeded in obtaining ISSN and are operating immediately, especially for AIJHA journals, while AIJMA, AIJEA and AIJMU began operating in January 2019 (4),(5),(6),(7),(8). In the early days of publication, writers from Asia and Africa contributed to the submission of scientific articles for publication.

Figure 1. The website of international journals published by AloHA
All journals have implemented the article publishing process in accordance with standards consisting of 4 stages, namely: 1) the submission stage, i.e. the submission of articles online by the author; 2) review stage, which is reviewing articles by editors and peer-reviewers by applying blind-review rules; 3) editing stage, namely the process of improving writing, after the contents and methods written in the article have been approved by the editor (accepted); 4) publishing phase, i.e. publishing full text-articles that can be accessed freely by journal visitors.\(^{(5),(6),(7),(8)}\)

In the CC-SciMe I event, a book in English has been published as an introductory language, as an important starting point that can be a trigger for enthusiasm for doens and researchers to write scientific books. Figure 2 presents one example of a book that has been published by AloHA as a manifestation of its role as one of the pioneers of scientific publications on an international scale.\(^{(9)}\)

Figure 2. One of the books published by AloHA
CONCLUSION

In the context of efforts to disseminate science and technology through scientific publications, AloHa has pioneered two scientific publication media, namely four international journals and publishing international scientific books with ISBN. Both of these publications have started to run smoothly and are expected to further develop in the future, so that it can be useful to the scientific community throughout the world.

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