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ANRI To Host the 28th SouthEast Asia – Pacific AudioVisual Archive Association  
(SEAPAVAA) Conference in Solo

Jakarta – National Archives of the Republic of Indonesia (ANRI) is to host the 28th SouthEast Asia – Pacific AudioVisual Archive Association (SEAPAVAA) Conference at The Sunan Hotel, Solo, Jawa Tengah on 9 to 14 June 2024. It will be held both in a hybrid format (online and onsite) with the theme, “Navigating New Horizons in Audiovisual Archiving”. The conference would serve as a forum for participants to gain better understanding on various subjects related to archive administrations in the midst of technology advancement and artificial intelligence development. The issues of climate change and archival sustainability will also be the subject of discussion in the conference.

The 28th SEAPAVAA Conference is commenced officially on June 11, 2024. There will be 250 participants attend the conference in Solo both from Indonesians and international participants. It would include a series of conference activities from 9 to 14 June 2024 consisting of a welcome banquet from Solo City Government, SEAPAVAA Executive Board Meeting, audiovisual workshop, exhibition, symposium, screening of archive gems, SEAPAVAA General Assembly, city tour, and farewell dinner at Prambanan Temple. ANRI, as the host, collaborates with the Ministry of Tourism and Creative Economy, the Ministry of Education, Culture, Research, and Technology, National Library of the Republic of Indonesia, the Provincial Government of Central Java, the Provincial Government of Yogyakarta, and The Solo City Government.

Previously, ANRI has been the host of SEAPAVAA conference in 1997 and 2009. It was during the 26th SEAPAVAA Virtual General Assembly Meeting and the 27th SEAPAVAA General Assembly Meeting in 2023 in Pattaya, Thailand, Indonesia was selected as the host for the next meeting. Solo is chosen as host for the conference due to its tradition and uniqueness. Solo is one of the cities of culture in Indonesia which still holds its old tradition in trading and industries that would attract the participants not only from Indonesia but also from ASEAN and Pacific countries to taste its spirit and tradition.

In point of fact, SEAPAVAA is the largest audiovisual archive community association in the Southeast Asia and Pacific region which was founded and inaugurated in Manila, Philippines in February 1996. SEAPAVAA was established based on the idea of the confederation of archivists who are concerned with audiovisual archives that the archivists need a community to develop and share their knowledge on film/video archiving, including address problems related to the collection, the preservation and access to the audio-visual collections of the member countries.

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