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The issue of gender equality is not only seen from the side of women but also men. This issue was conveyed by Nur Hasyim, MA, a trainer and researcher in the Softskill Improvement Webinar Living In Present (LIPS) with the topic “Gender Equality: Equality in Indonesia” (18/9).

In his material, Nur Hasyim provides illustrations about the situation of gender-neutral/gender blind, gender equity, and gender justice.

“Does gender equality and justice only benefit women? I said clearly from the start that this is for all of us,” he said.

According to him, gender inequality arises from the social structure of society. To reach justice, this structure needs to be changed.

“We need to build confidence in ourselves and manifest it in our attitudes and daily behavior. Not being silent when you see injustice is an important point. Gender inequality should not be normalized,” he added.

Finally, he said, concrete action needs to be taken. For example, by opening a conversation about gender equality and justice. These things are an attempt to break free from the old structure and create a new structure that is more just for everyone.

Ainun Khoirun Nisa, one of the participants from Sumatera Institute of Technology (ITERA), conveyed her message and impression. “Today’s webinar takes an excellent topic of conversation and is very relevant to the current situation. Women are considered inferior, and men are considered unfit to do something that women usually do. This webinar provides insight that men and women are the same, there is no gap,” she said.

This activity was held because of the collaboration between several work units and student organizations at IPB University, namely the Department of Biology, the Department of Chemistry, the Biology Student Association (Himabio), and the Chemistry Student Association (Imasika). (**/Zul) (IAAS/ERN)