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## Preface

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As a journal in the field of humanities *Wacana* is also active in organizing academic activities such as seminars, training, and book reviewing. In realizing the activities *Wacana* also opens the door for cooperation with professional associations in related fields of science under the umbrella of the humanities. The cooperation between the professional associations and this journal will also ensure effective synergy in increasing research outcomes, scientific publications, and publications in academic journals.