PREFACE

The English Language Education Program held its first international virtual conference in Language, Teaching, and Technology in Education (LATTE), on June 24 and 25, 2022. The present conference aims to reveal in a biannual scientific forum issues and trends related to language (Bahasa Indonesia and English), language teaching and learning, and the integration of technology in education, as well as those related to the implementation of Merdeka Belajar. Language teachers, students, researchers, and policy makers in the related fields are invited to share their constructive and innovative ideas in a two-day international conference, organized by the English Language Education Program, Universitas Muhammadiyah Jember, Indonesia. It covers various topics within the scopes of language and culture, teaching and learning, technology, and Covid-19 issues.

The 2-day conference presented various ideas and empirical findings from researchers across the nation. Some keynote speakers also took part in the conference, among other: Dr. Katrina Tour from Monash University, Australia, Matthew Skidmore from Hansung University, South Korea, Ching-wen Wang from Chang Jung Christian University, Taiwan, and Dr. Hanafi, M.Pd from Universitas Muhammadiyah Jember, Indonesia. Alongside the keynote speakers, the conference also invited several distinguished speakers from 5 universities in Indonesia, such as Dr. Fika Megawati from Universitas Muhammadiyah Sidoarjo, Dr. Ana Maghfiroh from Universitas Muhammadiyah Ponorogo, Hanif Nurcholish Adiantika, M.Pd from Universitas Muhammadiyah Cirebon, Tenny Murtiningsih, M.Pd from Universitas Muhammadiyah Banjarmasin, and Nurteteng, M.Pd from Universitas Pendidikan Muhammadiyah Sorong.

We would like to thank everyone involved for the success of the conference, especially to the organization's staff, co-host institutions, program committee members, and reviewers. They have invested their time and effort to organize the event, review all papers and provide valuable suggestions for authors to improve their research. We would love to extend our deepest gratitude to all participants who have presented their papers and insightful thoughts throughout the event. We learn a lot from each other. We hope that all participants, committee, and speakers of LATTE 2022 made unforgettable memories from the conference.

We hope to see you all again in the next conference.