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## MEDIA RELEASE

### Western Australian grain industry celebrates IA-CEPA Free Trade Agreement with Indonesia

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The Grain Industry Association of Western Australia (GIWA) is proud to have been part of the Australian grain industry team which contributed to the Indonesia Australia Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (IA-CEPA) Free Trade Agreement with Indonesia.

Larissa Taylor, CEO of the Grain Industry Association of Western Australia says, "Congratulations to the Indonesian and Australian governments - we're celebrating!"

"The IA-CEPA is fantastic news for Australia's agricultural industries. Indonesia is Western Australia's longest standing grain trading partner, underpinned by a 40year + relationship with the Indonesian flour milling sector and millers like Bogasari. These valued customer relationships have supported the growth of Australia's \$1.3b export wheat trade to Indonesia. In 2016 Mr Franky Welirang, CEO of Bogasari Flour Mills, visited Western Australia to encourage us to invest more in our grain trade with Indonesia and partner with Indonesia into the food markets of 650 million ASEAN consumers. Western Australia already has strong energy, tourism, education and agricultural trade ties with Indonesia. Now through the IA-CEPA we have access to additional grain markets and a platform to boost capacity building initiatives."



*Pictured: Harper and Young families celebrating Indonesia-Australia Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement in Western Australian wheat crop.*

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