Student Choir (PSM) Bogor Agricultural University (IPB) Agria Swara held the concert titled “Magical Journey to Finland” located in the Auditorium of Toyib Hadi Wijaya (14/9). This performance was Pre Competition concert for “The IV International Harald Andersen Chamber Choir Competition”. This competition was the event of the prestigious choir competition in Europe, which was executed in Helsinki, Finland. PSM IPB Agria Swara became the first participant representing Indonesia.

The Team of PSM IPB Agria Swara which was trained by Arvin Zeinullah as the conductor packed this performance to become two sessions. Interestingly, in the second session, PSM IPB Agria Swara performed the regional songs like O Ina Ni Keke, Soleram, Janger and Ma Rencong-Rencong. The roaring of applause of the spectator was heard to appreciate the performance of PSM IPB Agria Swara.

In his speech, the Elder Member of PSM IPB Agria Swara, Dr. drh. R. P. Agus Lelana, SpMP, M.Si stated, “Alhamdulillah on this night it is a part of training process and a long journey which we see the result. Please allow us to be excused we will depart on 17 September. In between 18-20 September we will practice and adjust with the local weather. On 21-22 September it is the struggle periods of our kids and this is the opportunity for the kids to pursue to the final. And on 24 September we will attend the cultural performance in front of the community hopefully we become the pride for IPB and Indonesia”.

The group of PSM IPB Agria Swara released symbolically by submission of the red and white flag. “We excuse ourselves and ask for prayer. Hopefully we will be back and bring the good name like previous experiences”, added Dr. Agus Lelana. In this occasion, it was also given the appreciation to the Chairman of the Committee of “A Magical Journey to Finland”, Rachmi Utami, the Chairman of the Program Committee of The 4th International Mission of Art and Culture and to the Instructor and Conductor of PSM IPB Agria Swara, Arvin Zeinullah. (rf)