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## FORUM OVERVIEW

**2023** | THE *ARANGKADA*  
PHILIPPINES FORUM



# TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE TRANSFORMATIONS

### THEME

## ***ARANGKADA* PHILIPPINES: TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE TRANSFORMATIONS**

The 12th *Arangkada* Philippines Forum brings together experts and industry leaders in exploring perspectives to facilitate and further integrate the principles of sustainability in accelerating inclusive growth and development.

It puts the spotlight on identifying opportunities for the public and private sectors to engage and collaborate in leveraging trade for sustainable growth, boosting green investments, building the momentum for sustainability in doing business, and advocating for responsible management and utilization of natural resources amid the long-term social, economic, and environmental impacts of climate change.

As in previous years, officials from the government and members of the business community to deliver keynote speeches and participate in the panels.



## SESSIONS OVERVIEW

### **Trade, Investment, and Sustainable Growth**

This panel focuses on the intersections between trade, investment, and sustainable growth. The discussion will cover the roles of trade and investment in accelerating growth; identifying opportunities to boost green investments and sustainable exports; mainstreaming sustainable finance; and integrating MSMEs in the value chain.

### **Evaluating the Philippines' Commitment to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**

This segment provides an overview of the progress of the Philippines in achieving its commitments to the UN Sustainable Development Goals halfway through the 2030 deadline.

### **Driving Change, Building Momentum: Conversations on Sustainability in Doing Business**

Recognizing the role that the Philippine business community plays in raising awareness, this panel gathers industry representatives who will share their insights and experiences in embracing innovative business solutions to advance sustainability targets and support the country's transition to a more climate-responsive economy.

### **Advancing the Water, Energy, and Food Security Nexus in Policy Development**

This panel explores the interdependence of water, energy, and food security. The discussion will focus on the prospects of adopting a nexus approach in developing policies and strategies towards making the Philippines more water-, energy-, and food-secure.

## PROGRAM AGENDA

8:00 – 9:30am      **Registration**

### Opening Ceremony

**Philippine National Anthem**

9:30 – 9:35am      **Opening of the Session**

9:35 – 9:40am      **Welcoming Remarks**

**Mr. Paulo Duarte**

Managing Director, Bosch Philippines and  
President, European Chamber of Commerce of the  
Philippines

9:40 – 9:45am      **Program Overview**

**Mr. Ebb Hinchliffe**

Executive Director, American Chamber of  
Commerce of the Philippines

### Opening Keynote

9:45 – 9:50am      **Introduction of Speaker**

**Mr. Joseph Um**

Chairman, Samdo Group Philippines and President,  
Korean Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines

9:50 – 10:10am      **Keynote Address**

**Hon. Arsenio M. Balisacan**

Secretary  
National Economic and Development Authority

### Trade, Investment, and Sustainable Growth

10:10 – 10:15am      **Introduction of Panel Discussants and  
Moderator**

**Mr. Benjamin Romualdez**

Country Managing Director–Philippines, Telstra  
and President, Australia-New Zealand Chamber of  
Commerce of the Philippines

10:15 – 10:55am **Panel Discussion***Moderator***Mr. Michael Arcatomy H. Guarin**

Partner and Deal Advisory Head  
KPMG R.G. Manabat & Co. and  
Chairman, 2023 FINEX Foundation

*Discussant***Ceferino S. Rodolfo, PhD**

Undersecretary, Industry Development and Trade  
Policy Group (IDTPG)  
Department of Trade and Industry

*Discussant (Green Equity and Investment)***Mr. Ralph van Doorn**

Senior Economist, Macroeconomics, Trade, and  
Investment Global Practice, East Asia and Pacific  
World Bank

*Discussant (Sustainable Finance)***Ms. Rhodora Brazil-De Vera**

Deputy Director, Supervisory Policy and Research  
Department, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas

*Discussant (MSME Integration and Capacity Building)***Mr. Vicente Catudio Jr.**

Chief of Party, USAID Strengthening Private  
Enterprises for the Digital Economy (SPEED)

10:55 – 11:10am **Open Forum****Evaluating the Philippines' Commitment to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**11:15 – 11:20am **Introduction of Guest Speaker****Mr. Frank Thiel**

Managing Director, Quezon Power (Philippines),  
Limited Co. and President, American Chamber of  
Commerce of the Philippines

11:20 – 11:30am **Presentation by Guest Speaker****Hon. Pia S. Cayetano**

Chair, Committee on Sustainable Development  
Goals, Innovations, and Futures Thinking  
Senate of the Philippines

*(Remarks to be delivered by Atty. Jacqueline Gan)*11:30am – 1:00pm **Working Lunch**

## Driving Change, Building Momentum: Conversations on Sustainability in Doing Business

11:45 – 11:50am **Introduction of Guest Speakers, Panel Presenters, and Moderator**

**Mr. Florian Gottein**

Executive Director, European Chamber of  
Commerce of the Philippines

11:50am – 12:05pm **Presentation by Guest Speaker**

**Mr. Edgar O. Chua**

Chairman, Business for Sustainable Development  
and Makati Business Club

12:05 – 12:35pm **Panel Presenters**

*Hybrid work and its impact on ESG*

**Ms. Sara Murphy**

President and Head of Global Operations  
Capital One Philippines

*Role of data in sustainability*

**Ms. Aileen Judan-Jiao**

President and Country General Manager  
IBM Philippines

*Bio-based economy*

**Mr. Roberto Batungbacal**

Senior Adviser, Chemical Industry Association of  
the Philippines

12:35 – 12:45pm **Panel Discussion**

*Moderator*

**Atty. Mimi Lopez Malvar**

Government Relations and Country Legal Head,  
Procter & Gamble Phils, Inc. and Director, Philippine  
Association of Multinational Companies Regional  
Headquarters, Inc. (PAMURI)

## Midday Keynote

1:00 – 1:05pm **Introduction of Speaker**

**Mr. Shigeru Shimoda**

President and CEO, Marubeni Philippines and  
President, Japanese Chamber of Commerce and  
Industry of the Philippines

- 1:05 – 1:25pm **Keynote Address**
- Hon. Maria Antonia Yulo-Loyzaga**  
Secretary  
Department of Environment and Natural Resources
- 1:25 – 1:30pm **Introduction of Speaker**
- Mr. Julian Payne**  
Chairman, Techrep, Inc. and Canadian Chamber of  
Commerce of the Philippines
- 1:30 – 1:45pm **Keynote Address**
- Hon. Alfredo E. Pascual**  
Secretary  
Department of Trade and Industry

## **Advancing the Water, Energy, and Food Security Nexus in Policy Development**

- 1:50 – 1:55pm **Introduction of Panel Speaker,  
Discussants, and Moderator**
- Ms. Kimmi Siu Dewar**  
Executive Director, Australia-New Zealand Cham-  
ber of Commerce of the Philippines
- 1:55 – 2:10pm **Presentation by Panel Speaker**
- Mr. Pavit Ramachandran**  
Country Director, Philippines  
Asian Development Bank
- 2:10 – 2:40pm **Panel Discussion**
- Moderator*
- Mr. Chris Ilagan**  
Corporate Affairs Head–Philippines, Malaysia,  
Singapore, and North Asia, PepsiCo. and Co-Chair,  
Legislative Committee, AmCham Philippines
- Discussant (Water Security)*
- Mr. Rogelio Singson**  
Director, Metro Pacific Water and  
Water Management Expert,  
Water Resources Management Office
- Discussant (Energy Security)*
- Mr. Noel Verdote**  
Lead, Advanced Energy Sources and Systems  
USAID Energy Secure Philippines (ESP) Activity  
RTI International



*Discussant (Food Security)*

**Dr. Gilberto Llanto**

Team Leader, Regulatory Reform Support Program  
for National Development  
University of the Philippines Public Administration  
Research and Extension Services Foundation  
(UPPAF-RESPOND)

2:40 – 2:50pm      **Open Forum**

### ***Arangkada* Lifetime Achievement Awarding**

2:50 – 2:55pm      **Introduction of Awardee and  
Recognition of Past Awardees**

**Atty. Mimi Lopez Malvar**

Government Relations and Country Legal Head,  
Procter & Gamble Phils, Inc. and Director, Philippine  
Association of Multinational Companies Regional  
Headquarters, Inc. (PAMURI)

2:55 – 3:05pm      **Acceptance Speech**

**Shameem Qurashi**

Founder and Former Chairman  
Philippine Association of Multinational Companies  
Regional Headquarters, Inc.

3:05 – 3:30pm      **Closing Ceremony**

**Introduction of Speaker**

**Mr. Julian Payne**

Chairman, Techrep, Inc. and Canadian Chamber of  
Commerce of the Philippines

**Keynote Address**

**Hon. Robert E.A. Borje** *(recorded message)*

Vice Chairperson and Executive Director  
Climate Change Commission

**Closing Remarks**

**Mr. Julian Payne**

Chairman, Chaurma Techrep, Inc. and Canadian  
Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines

### **Socials and Networking**

## SPEAKER PROFILES

### Welcoming Remarks



#### **Paulo Duarte**

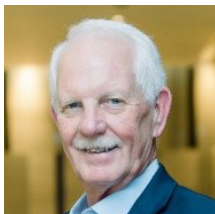
*Managing Director, Bosch Philippines and President, European Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines*

Paulo Duarte holds the position of Managing Director at Bosch Philippines. Concurrently, he serves as the President of the European Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines, a role he assumed after previously serving as the Vice-president.

With an extensive professional background spanning over three decades, he has garnered significant expertise and exposure while holding leadership roles across multiple industries at Bosch. He has worked across Southeast Asia, Germany, and in Spain and Portugal. His focus in the Philippines to date amount to a cumulative period of 5 years where he is responsible for the overall administration of Bosch business in the country.

He had earned his Masters' degree in Business administration from ISCTE - Instituto Universitário de Lisboa, Lisboa, Portugal in 1991 and a postgraduate degree in Marketing from Pforzheim University, Pforzheim, Baden-Württemberg, Germany in 1989.

### Program Overview



#### **Ebb Hinchliffe**

*Executive Director  
American Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines*

Mr. Hinchliffe is the Executive Director for AmCham Philippines. He arrived back in the Philippines after a 12-year absence that saw him working in Texas, USA, Taiwan, Malaysia and Indonesia. He officially began his position with AmCham Philippines on December 1, 2012.

A Texan, with a BS degree in Manufacturing Engineering, Ebb was based in the Philippines from 1993 – 2000. He is married with one child.

He has spent 22 of the last 25 years in Asia Pacific, which includes 21 years with a US-based pump manufacturing company, six years with a prominent semiconductor company and the last four years in the service industry.

## Opening Keynote

### Introduction of Speaker



#### **Joseph Um**

*Chairman, Samdo Group Philippines and President, Korean Chamber of Commerce Philippines*

Mr. Hyunchong “Joseph” Um is the 16th president of the Korean Chamber of Commerce Philippines, (KCCP) Inc. He is also the chairman of Samdo Group of Companies with its subsidiaries in the sectors of Samdo Philippines Corp., Samdo Multimedia, Samdo E-learning and Voim English Corp. located in Ortigas Center, Pasig City & Cebu City over 20 years. For his earlier career, he served as the managing director of Lagunatech Corporation that manufactured wire harness & electronic assembly in Laguna and Taichi Co., Ltd. in Tokyo, Japan.

He also served as one of the KCCP directors from 2001-2021 and a member of Overseas Korean Traders Association (OKTA) in the Philippines since 2000. Currently he is vice chairperson of International School Manila (ISM) Sustaining Members. He took his Bachelor of Science major in Mechanical Engineering – Design in Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Massachusetts, USA.

### Keynote Speaker



#### **Hon. Arsenio M. Balisacan**

*Secretary  
National Economic and Development Authority*

Dr. Arsenio Balisacan is an economist with extensive development policy, governance, and administration expertise acquired from over 35 years of professional work as a government official, non-governmental organization executive, economic adviser, researcher, professor, and consultant for numerous development agencies and intergovernmental organizations.

A former economics professor at the University of the Philippines for three decades, Dr. Balisacan is presently a Cabinet member of the Philippine Government, serving as Secretary of the National Economic and Development Authority, a post he had previously held from 2012 to 2016. He also served as the inaugural Chairperson and chief executive of the Philippine Competition Commission from 2016 to 2022.

In his current role as NEDA Secretary, he concurrently chairs the governing boards of various state agencies, but before his initial Cabinet appointment in 2012, he was Dean of the University of the Philippines School of Economics, Director-Chief Executive of the Southeast Asian Regional Centre for Graduate Study and Research in Agriculture (SEARCA), and Undersecretary of the Department of Agriculture. Before joining the UP faculty in 1987, he was also a research fellow at the East-West Center in Honolulu, Hawaii, and an economist at the World Bank in Washington, DC.

Dr. Balisacan has served in various capacities in many academic and professional organizations, and advised and consulted with numerous development agencies and multilateral institutions. He has authored and co-edited seven books and published close to 100 academic papers and book chapters covering wide areas on development and political economy of policy reforms in the Philippines and East Asia.

For his research and other scholarly work in economics, he was elected a lifelong member (Academician) of the National Academy of Science and Technology in 2008. He holds a Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Hawaii, an MS in Agricultural Economics from the University of the Philippines Los Baños, and a BS in Agriculture (Magna Cum Laude) from the Mariano Marcos State University.

## Introduction of Speaker



### **Benjamin Romualdez**

*Country Managing Director–Philippines, Telstra  
and President, Australia-New Zealand Chamber of  
Commerce of the Philippines*

Benj Romualdez began his career at Telstra in 2019 as the Managing Director for Telstra Philippines. In this role, he has responsibility and oversight of all Telstra businesses and interests in the country.

Benj is also the President of the Australian – New Zealand Chamber of Commerce in the Philippines. He joined the Board of Directors in 2022.

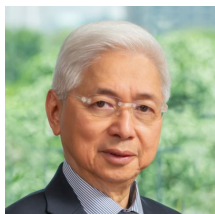
Since 2002, his experience has been in higher value shared and knowledge services in the fields of Engineering, Legal, Investment & Equity Research, and Global Business Services. This includes over ten years of experience in Country and Regional management for teams and offices in the Philippines, China, Japan and the US.

Benj's experience also includes serving the community. Prior to Telstra, he served as the Global Head of Corporate Social

Responsibility & Sustainability at Integreon. He is currently the Chairman and President of Telstra Foundation Philippines, where their purpose is to make a positive and lasting difference to the lives of Filipino youth through STEM education.

In recent years, he has been an advocate for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI). Benj is the Executive Leader for Telstra's Philippine DEI Council and GBS' Executive Leader for Telstra's Global DEI Council.

## Keynote Speaker



### **Hon. Alfredo E. Pascual**

*Secretary*

*Department of Trade and Industry*

Alfredo E. Pascual is the Secretary (Minister) of the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI). At the time of his appointment to DTI in June 2022, he was the President of the Management Association of the Philippines (MAP).

Over the past four decades, Mr. Pascual has contributed to society by serving at four esteemed national and international institutions, viz.: Institute of Corporate Directors (ICD) as President and CEO in 2018 and 2019; University of the Philippines (UP) System as President and Co-Chair from 2011 to 2017 and as Alumni Regent in 2009 and 2010; Asian Development Bank (ADB) for 19 years (1989-2008) in several positions including as Director for Private Sector Operations, Director for Project Finance, and Advisor for Public-Private Partnership; and Asian Institute of Management (AIM) as a finance professor in the 1980s.

Prior to joining DTI, Mr. Pascual was an independent director on the board of publicly listed companies (e.g., SM Investments, Megawide Construction, and Concepcion Industrial). His past board memberships included non-profits and other organizations, such as the Philippine Institute of Development Studies (PIDS), International Rice Research Institute (IRRI), ICD, Institute for Solidarity in Asia (ISA), FINEX Academy, UP Foundation, UP CIFAL Philippines, Philippine Council for Foreign Relations (PCFR), and US-Philippines Society (USPHS).

Mr. Pascual finished his MBA and BS in Chemistry (cum laude) at UP. He attended the EC-ASEAN Program on Strategic and Organizational Change at the Euro-Asia Centre, Campus INSEAD, France. His awards included Honorary Doctorates from the University of the Philippines and four other universities, the Presidential Lingkod Bayan Award from Malacanang, and the Rotary Golden Wheel Award for Higher Education.



## Trade, Investment, and Sustainable Growth

### Moderator



#### **Michael Arcatomy H. Guarin**

*Partner and Deal Advisory Head  
KPMG R.G. Manabat & Co. and  
Chairman, 2023 FINEX Foundation*

Mike is a Certified Public Accountant, he obtained his Business Administration and Accountancy degree from the University of the Philippines—Diliman, Cum Laude. He attended the Executive Masters in Business Administration Programme at the Asian Institute of Management as a scholar where he was a consistent Dean's Lister. He also attended the KPMG Chairman's 25 Programme at the Singapore campus of INSEAD. He was the 2022 President of Financial Executives Institute of the Philippines (FINEX), currently the Chairman of FINEX Foundation and the Vice Chairman of the FINEX Academy. Director of KPMG Foundation, a Trustee of CIBI Foundation, a Trustee of the UP College of Business Administration Alumni Association (UPCBAAA), a member of Management Association of the Philippines (MAP), and Rotary Club of Manila.

Mike has over 20 years of experience in due diligence (buy side and sell side), M&A, valuation and audit services. Mike provides commercial due diligence, feasibility studies or market studies to new entrants in the Philippine market. He has extensive experience in providing financial due diligence services across different industries such as financial services, industrials, healthcare, retail, energy, and media. He is an accredited KPMG valuation professional with extensive due diligence, model review, and impaired loan advisory experience. He is active in M&As and project advisory transactions in the Philippine market. He regularly supports the PSE and Philippine companies with their capital markets requirements. Mike has also provided support to government on selected privatization and infrastructure mandates.

### Panelists



#### **Ceferino S. Rodolfo, PhD**

*Undersecretary, Industry Development and Trade  
Policy Group (IDTPG)  
Department of Trade and Industry*

Undersecretary Ceferino S. Rodolfo – or Usec. Perry – obtained his Economics Degree from the School of Economics of the University of the Philippines and his Master of Science in Industrial Economics, on full scholarship from the Hanns Seidel Foundation of Germany, from the Center for Research and Communication (CRC), now

known as the University of Asia and the Pacific (UA&P). He likewise holds a Doctorate degree in Public Administration from the National College of Public Administration and Governance of the University of the Philippines.

As Undersecretary for Industry Development and Trade Policy, Usec. Perry has been leading the crafting and implementation of the Philippine industrial policy and international trade negotiation agenda – firmly ensuring that domestic industrial goals should drive international positions (and not the reverse), as well as the Philippine government’s bilateral trade and investment engagements with key partner economies.

In the area of trade policy, notable among Usec. Perry’s accomplishments are the successful negotiation of the Philippines-European Free Trade Association Free Trade Agreement (PH-EFTA FTA), the Philippines’ application to the EU GSP+ Program, and the substantial conclusion of the Philippines-South Korea Free Trade Agreement (PH-ROK FTA).

Concurrently Managing Head of the Board of Investments (BOI), Usec. Perry also sits on the Philippine Economic Zone Authority (PEZA) Board and Chairs the committee that coordinates the 18 investment promotion agencies across the country. In his six (6) years as the BOI Managing Head, he has set the highest investment registration in the Agency’s 56-year history amounting to Php 1.14 trillion.



GREEN EQUITY AND INVESTMENT

### **Ralph van Doorn**

*Senior Economist*

*Macroeconomics, Trade, and Investment Global Practice,  
East Asia and Pacific  
The World Bank*

Ralph van Doorn is the Senior Economist for the World Bank in the Philippines focusing on macroeconomic policy, fiscal policy and debt management. Previously he was the country economist for Indonesia, Sri Lanka, Maldives, and Mongolia and supported governments on fiscal, growth and debt issues in countries across Africa, East Asia, Central Asia and Eastern Europe.

Prior to joining the World Bank he worked at the emerging markets fixed income team at Credit Suisse in London focusing on Egypt, Kazakhstan and the GCC countries. He holds a Master of Research degree in Economics from the London School of Economics and a Master of Science degree in Applied Physics from Delft University of Technology.



SUSTAINABLE FINANCE

## **Rhodora Brazil-De Vera**

*Deputy Director*

*Supervisory Policy and Research Department  
Bangko Sentral Pilipinas*

Ms. Rhodora M. Brazil-De Vera is a Deputy Director at the Sustainable Finance Staff unit under the Supervisory Policy and Research Department, Financial Supervision Sector of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP).

The Sustainable Finance Staff leads the development and implementation of policy issuances (e.g., Sustainable Finance Framework) and coordinates with counterpart local and foreign financial sector regulators and supervisors related to sustainable finance (e.g., NGFS, ASEAN SLC TF). The team is also involved in the development of the BSP's Sustainable Central Banking Program and implementation of identified strategies and supporting initiatives.

Ms. Brazil-De Vera is a member of various working groups such as the Philippine Sustainability Reporting Committee, Financial Sector Forum's Sub-team on Sustainable Finance Taxonomy, NGFS Workstream on Supervision, and AFI Inclusive Green Finance Working Group.



MSME INTEGRATION AND CAPACITY BUILDING

## **Vicente Catudio Jr.**

*Chief of Party*

*USAID Strengthening Private Enterprises for the Digital Economy (SPEED)*

Vicente Catudio is a digital economy expert with 27 years of professional experience, including 9 years in consulting in the financial services industry. He focuses on e-payments and e-commerce solutions and has helped transition the Philippine economy from cash to digital payments. He advocates for financial inclusion and led initiatives to scale adoption of e-money. Currently, he is the Chief of Party at USAID SPEED and was previously the CEO of a fintech startup and a co-founder of a technology startup.

## Evaluating the Philippines' Commitment to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

### Introduction of Guest Speakers



#### **Frank Thiel**

*Managing Director, Quezon Power (Philippines), Limited Co. and President American Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines*

Frank Thiel currently serves as Managing Director of Quezon Power (Philippines), Limited Co. (QPL) with the primary responsibility of maintaining the profitability of the company's 460MW coal-fired power project in Mauban, Quezon.

He is also the General Manager for the San Buenaventura Power Ltd. Co. (SBPL), a new 500MW supercritical coal-fired plant located also in Mauban, Quezon. He also manages contracts, financial, commercial, and regulatory activities related to the power project.

### Guest Speaker



#### **Hon. Pia S. Cayetano**

*Chair, Committee on Sustainable Development Goals, Innovations, and Futures Thinking  
Senate of the Philippines*

For 19 years, Senator Pia S. Cayetano has built a track record for getting the tough job done for the welfare of Filipinos.

As the Chairperson of the Senate Committee on Sustainable Development Goals, Innovation, and Futures Thinking, she works to align laws and policies with the country's SDG commitments, and future-proof crucial sectors with the aid of future thinking tools.

Senator Pia advocates for a future-proof health care system and sustainable investments in health, especially for human resources for health. The Sin Tax Reform Laws of 2012 and 2020 were among her major contributions to health legislation. These laws sought to generate sustainable funding for healthcare by imposing higher taxes on 'sin' products, including tobacco, alcoholic drinks, and e-cigarettes. At the same time, higher sin taxes aim to curb addiction to these harmful products – especially among the youth. Senator Pia also led the passage of the country's first Responsible Parenthood and Reproductive Health Act, as well as the Mandatory Infants and Children Health Immunization Act. Her work acknowledges the dual role of women in society as primary

caregivers in the home, and as active members of the workforce. To this end, she worked for the passage of the 105 Days Expanded Maternity Leave Act, Expanded Breastfeeding Promotion Act, and Magna Carta of Women.

She also authored and worked extensively on the Inclusive Education Bill, and co-authored the Excellence in Teacher Education Act. Her other education measures include the Ladderized Education Act, Open Distance Learning Act, Open High School System Act, and the Unified Student Financial Assistance System for Tertiary Education Act. All these measures sought to ensure universal access to quality education at all levels.

She also fights for the rightful share of education and health in the national budget as Senior Vice Chair of the Senate Finance Committee. Senator Pia is actively engaged in global inter-parliamentary work. She was recently elected as a bureau member of the Inter-Parliamentary Union's (IPU) Standing Committee on United Nations Affairs. She also chairs the Asia and Pacific Regional Chapter of UNITE, a network of parliamentarians for global health. Previously, she served as President of the IPU Women's Bureau from 2008 to 2010.

For fighting for women's reproductive rights Senator Pia was recognized by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. Senator Pia continues to pursue this advocacy by sponsoring maternal and child healthcare seminars for mothers and community health workers around the country.

Most recently, she was one of the recipients of the 2023 World No Tobacco Day Award. This is a recognition given by the World Health Organization to individuals and groups around the globe for their outstanding work in tobacco control and health promotion. A lawyer, triathlete, and mother. Senator Pia S. Cayetano embodies a Pinay In Action and a woman leader for our times.



## Driving Change, Building Momentum: Conversations on Sustainability in Doing Business

### Introduction of Guest and Panel Speakers and Moderator



#### **Florian Gottein**

*Executive Director*

*European Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines*

Florian Gottein is the Executive Director of the European Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines (ECCP) – the oldest European Chamber outside of Europe, with close to 800 members. The ECCP provides a support framework for European companies, and especially SMEs, interested in exporting to or investing in the Philippines and Filipino companies interested in doing business with Europe or European companies already located or doing business in the Philippines.

Previously the Vice President for Membership and Business Services, Mr. Gottein became Executive Director in March 2016. Prior to this role, Mr. Gottein started his career at the office of the former Secretary of Defense and Interior of Austria in 2008. From 2012 to 2014, he served as the spokesperson of the Governor of the Province of Tyrol. Following his work for the Government in Austria, he joined the Ministry of Interior of the UAE in Abu Dhabi City.

Mr. Gottein graduated with a Master's degree in Political Science from the University of Innsbruck, with a short period of his studies conducted at the University of the Philippines, Diliman.

### Guest Speaker



#### **Edgar O. Chua**

*Chairman*

*Business for Sustainable Development and Makati Business Club*

Edgar O. Chua, is an Independent Director of First Gen, Integrated MicroElectronics Inc., Metrobank, PHINMA Corp, PhilCement and JG Summit Olefins Corp, and served as an Independent Director of EDC until 2021. He is on the advisory boards of Mitsubishi Motors Philippines Corporation and Coca Cola Bottlers Philippines Inc., and is the CEO of Amber Kinetics Inc. He sits on the boards of several schools, business organisations and foundation, e.g.

Chairman of the Makati Business Club, President of De La Salle Philippines, Chairman of the Philippine Eagle Foundation.

Ed Chua was Country Chairman of the Shell Companies in the Philippines from 2003 to 2016, responsible for the exploration, manufacturing, and marketing sectors of the petroleum business, and oversaw the chemicals businesses and shared services.

He is a recipient of numerous local and international recognitions such as MAP's Management Man of the Year, CEO of the Year in the Asia Pacific SABRE and Global Filipino Executive of the Year by Asia CEO. Mr. Chua is Chemical Engineering graduate from De La Salle University and attended the senior management course in INSEAD in Fontainebleau, France. He was conferred Doctor of Humanities Honoris Causa by De La Salle Araneta University.

## Moderator



### **Atty. Mimi Lopez Malvar**

*Government Relations and Country Legal Head,  
Procter & Gamble Phils, Inc. and  
Director, Philippine Association of Multinational  
Companies Regional Headquarters, Inc. (PAMURI)*

Mimi Lopez Malvar currently serves as a Director for the Philippine Association of Multinational Companies' Regional Headquarters, Inc. (PAMURI), an industry association of companies operating as regional operating headquarters and regional area headquarters in the Philippines.

She is also the Country Government Relations Manager for P&G Philippines and part of P&G's Global Government Relations and Public Policy team. She joined P&G in 2009 and is based in Manila. Prior to joining P&G, Mimi worked as a senior associate at the Angara Abello Concepcion Regala and Cruz Law Offices, a Manila-based law firm, from 2005. She practiced with the firm's litigation and tax departments.

Mimi obtained her Bachelor of Laws degree from the University of the Philippines College of Law in 2004. She also obtained her Bachelor of Arts degree, major in Political Science, from the University of the Philippines, graduating cum laude.

## Panelists



HYBRID WORK AND ITS IMPACT ON ESG

### **Sara Murphy**

*President of Capital One Philippines  
and Head of Global Operations*

Sara Murphy is the President of Capital One Philippines and Head of Global Operations. With an outstanding track record in the industry and a proven commitment to driving innovation and growth.

Sara leads a team of more than 4,000 Capital One associates in the Philippines, who provide customer experiences and support to clients. In addition to her responsibilities as President of Capital One Philippines, she is also leading a global expansion strategy inclusive of launching operations in South Africa.

Sara brings a wealth of experience to her new role. Having created servicing strategies for Capital One's premier product offerings, she also launched the enterprise work at home capability in 2010 and then led the massive deployment of 15,000 associates to work from home at the onset of the pandemic.

Sara received a BA from Vanderbilt University in 1998. She is celebrating her 25th anniversary with Capital One this 2023.



ROLE OF DATA IN SUSTAINABILITY

### **Aileen Judan-Jiao**

*President and Country General Manager  
IBM Philippines*

Aileen is the first homegrown Filipina CGM of IBM. She is currently responsible for overall P&L and business growth of IBM in the Philippines.

Aileen started her career as a technical Systems Engineer and worked her way up across various technical and senior leadership roles within the country and throughout the Asean and broader Asia Pacific region, managing talent across various countries. Aileen has pioneered initiatives that have helped deliver outstanding business outcomes, retain high-value talent, and ensure skills are relevant now and in the future.

A digital transformation champion and an advocate of diversity and inclusion in various fora by committing to move the Filipino talent especially women into key leadership positions and get the underserved, under-motivated external young breed into the STEM track.

In her current role, Aileen works with her executive and senior leadership peers across the APAC region and interacts with >12 nationalities in the workforce of IBM in the Philippines.

Aileen chairs the Board of the various IBM group of companies in the Philippines and is a Trustee of external Boards related to Educational and talent programs among others. She is also the Vice-President of the American Chamber of Commerce and the Makati Business Club Chairperson for the Women-In-the C-Suite Committee.

Aileen received her Bachelor of Science in Computer Science in Ateneo De Manila University.



#### BIO-BASED ECONOMY

### **Roberto Batungbacal**

*Senior Adviser*

*Chemical Industry Association of the Philippines*

Bobby is a third-generation chemical professional, born to a family of chemists, chemical engineers and manufacturing entrepreneurs. He is a leading advocate for Sustainable Industrial Development and thought leader on Philippine manufacturing.

He is the former Philippine Country Manager of Dow Chemical, a global material science company, where he held various regional positions including Asia Pacific Commercial Excellence Leader, Sales & Marketing Director for Southeast Asia, Australia & New Zealand. He is a US-trained and Certified Six Sigma Blackbelt and led projects in the US, Canada, Spain, Japan and China.

He earned his Bachelor of Science Degree in Chemical Engineering from the University of the Philippines, Diliman, and an Executive Master of Business Administration from the Asian Institute of Management.

Bobby advocated for industry and sustainable development through leadership roles in the American Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines, the Samahan sa Pilipinas ng mga Industriyang Kimika (SPIK), the Federation of Philippine Industries (FPI) and the Management Association of the Philippines.

He advises industry groups, the academe, the research community and government on industry development, sustainable chemistry, plastic circularity and the bio-based economy. He authors an advocacy website called Philippine Manufacturing Revisited to raise awareness on the strategic importance of manufacturing in the Philippines.

## Midday Keynote

### Introduction of Speaker



#### **Shigeru Shimoda**

*President and CEO, Marubeni Philippines and  
President, Japanese Chamber of Commerce and  
Industry of the Philippines*

Mr. Shigeru Shimoda is the President of the Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Philippines, Inc. Concurrently, he serves as the President and CEO of Marubeni Philippines Corporation, one of the largest Japanese conglomerates operating in the Philippines, since April 2020. Mr. Shimoda joined Marubeni Corporation of Japan in 1988, commencing his career in the Wood Chip Section, where he rose from the ranks, and assumed the role of General Manager of the Wood Chip & Construction Materials Dept. (renamed to Wood Chip & Biomass Fuel Dept.) in 2018 before his assignment in the Philippines. Mr. Shimoda was instrumental in the establishment and success of the PT. Musi Hutan Persada, an industrial forest plantation company, in South Sumatra, Indonesia. During his tenure as its President Director from 2005 to 2008 and from 2014 to 2018, he led the development of 120,000 hectares of Eucalyptus tree plantation. Mr. Shimoda graduated from Keio University, Tokyo, Japan in March 1988 with a degree in Economics.

### Keynote Speaker



#### **Hon. Maria Antonia Yulo-Loyzaga**

*Secretary  
Department of Environment and Natural Resources*

Ms. Maria Antonia Yulo Loyzaga is the current Secretary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources of the Philippines. Since her appointment, she has been designated by President Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr. as Head of the Philippine Delegation to four major conferences: the 2022 Asia Pacific Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction, United Nations Climate Change Conference COP27, United Nations Biodiversity Conference COP15, and the United Nations Water Conference. She is the Chairperson of the Cabinet Cluster on Climate Change Adaptation, Mitigation, and Disaster Risk Reduction (CCAM-DRR) and the designated representative of President Marcos to the Climate Change Commission (CCC) as Chairperson.



Ms. Loyzaga was the President of the National Resilience Council (NRC), a science and technology-based public-private partnership aimed at the implementation of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, the Sustainable Development Goals, and the Paris Climate Agreement. She was a member of the United Nations International Office for Disaster Risk Reduction's (UNDRR) Asia Pacific Science Technology Advisory Group (APSTAG) and was also a Director of the UNDRR's Alliance for Disaster Resilient Societies (ARISE) Philippines initiative, where NRC leads the Disaster Risk Management Strategies work theme.

Ms. Loyzaga served on the Science Advisory Board of the Integrated Research on Disaster Risk International Center of Excellence-Taipei (IRDR ICoE) and was a governing board member of the Future Earth Global Secretariat Hub (GSH) Taipei. She was a Trustee of the Zuellig Family Foundation, the Manila Observatory, Ateneo de Naga University and the Forest Foundation Philippines, where she also served as Treasurer.

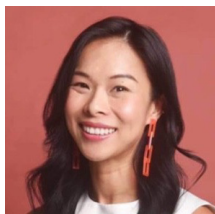
Prior to these appointments, Ms. Loyzaga was the Executive Director of the Manila Observatory from 2007-2016 and was also a Trustee of the Ateneo de Manila University from 2007-2017. During this period, she was appointed to the Department of Science and Technology Committee on Space Technology Applications and to the UNESCO National Commission's Committee on Science and Technology.

In 2013, she was recognized by the Armed Forces of the Philippines for her contributions to the Philippine military's emergency disaster response operations during Super Typhoon Haiyan.

Ms. Loyzaga holds a Master of Arts degree in Government from Georgetown University and Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from the Ateneo de Manila University.

## Advancing the Nexus in Water, Energy, and Food Security in Policy Development

### Introduction of Guest and Panel Speakers and Moderator



#### **Kimmi Siu Dewar**

*Executive Director, Australian-New Zealand Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines*

Kimmi Siu Dewar is an accomplished and authentic people leader with extensive experience in the fields of business development, sales, marketing and events.

Kimmi holds a proven track record of achieving remarkable results, and has made significant contributions to various organizations throughout her career.

In addition to her impressive career milestones, Kimmi possesses a genuine passion for building long-term teams, relationships, and networks to drive company visions alongside hitting business goals at accelerated rates. She firmly believes that with the right team and adequate resources, the potential for success is limitless. Kimmi's boundless energy and enthusiasm stem from the team she builds around her, and the thrill of witnessing new projects and achievements materialize with her team.

Kimmi's professional journey demonstrates her exceptional leadership, strategic planning abilities, and a strong commitment to driving growth and achieving outstanding results. With a wealth of experience in various industries and a track record of success, she continues to make a significant impact in every organisation and team she connects with

## Guest Speaker



### **Pavit Ramachandran**

*Country Director, Philippines  
Asian Development Bank*

Pavit Ramachandran serves as Country Director for the Philippines. He leads ADB operations in the Philippines, with an active portfolio of about \$8.7 billion, and manages ADB's relationship with the government, private sector, and development partners. He oversees the implementation of ADB's current country partnership strategy (CPS) for the Philippines, which identified up to \$4 billion worth of sovereign loans for 2023. He will supervise the preparation of ADB's CPS covering 2024–2029, which aims to advance and enhance ADB's efforts to intensify climate action; improve climate smart connectivity through transport, digital technology, and energy; and invest in Filipinos' welfare.

Prior to his appointment to the Philippine Country Office, Mr. Ramachandran was Country Director for Mongolia where he oversaw the preparation and implementation of ADB's CPS for Mongolia, 2021–2024, managed the overall country portfolio and program, and led its knowledge management efforts.

He has over 25 years of international development experience, including a combined 19 years in ADB both as staff and consultant. He joined ADB in May 2009 as an Environment Specialist in the Southeast Asia Department after serving as a consultant for 5 years. He was later appointed as Principal Environment Specialist of ADB's East Asia Department.

He will bring with him extensive operational experience in designing and implementing programs and projects spanning 10 countries in Southeast Asia and East Asia. He has sectoral proficiency in the agriculture, natural resource, and environment areas and experience in leading regional programs in the Greater Mekong Subregion, Brunei Darussalam–Indonesia–Malaysia–Philippines East ASEAN Growth Area, and Indonesia–Malaysia–Thailand Growth Triangle. He has previously worked on Philippine projects from 2009 to 2014.

An Indian national, Mr. Ramachandran holds master's degrees in public management from the University of Maryland in the United States (US) and in development sociology from the Delhi School of Economics in India. His previous experience includes stints with management consulting firms in the US, focusing on energy regulation and policies on climate change abatement strategies.

## Moderator



### Chris Ilagan

*Corporate Affairs Lead – Philippines, Malaysia, Singapore & North Asia  
PepsiCo Inc.*

Christopher A. Ilagan joined PepsiCo Inc. last August 2023. He provides strategic leadership in the company's government affairs, public policy, external communications, corporate responsibility and sustainability practice areas across the Philippines, Malaysia, Singapore and North Asia markets.

Over the years, Chris has built his expertise in the government and regulatory affairs space. Before joining PepsiCo, Chris was the Corporate Affairs Director for Cargill Philippines, Inc. and has served as a government relations/public policy professional in 3M Philippines, Manila Water Company, Inc. and International Container Terminal Services, Inc. prior to that.

Because of his work in the local water space, Chris has maintained a personal advocacy on water sustainability and governance. He was the immediate past Chairperson of the Philippine Water Partnership – a non-government organization dedicated to the advancement of integrated water resource management – and continues to be involved in various policy dialogues geared towards improving the management of water resources in the country. He has recently been appointed as the Chair of the Global Water Partnership – Southeast Asia. In November 2021, Chris was also appointed to the Steering Committee of the Global Water Partnership based in Stockholm, Sweden.

Chris is an active member of the local business community as a leader and member in a number of associations. Besides his role as the Agribusiness Committee Chair of the AmCham Philippines, he concurrently chairs the Chamber's Legislative Committee. He is also a Trustee of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines and of the Foundation for Economic Freedom. In 2021, he was appointed by the Philippine Secretary of Agriculture as the Head of the National Yellow Corn Roadmap Development Team tasked to craft a long-term plan for the country's yellow corn sector.

Chris holds a Masters of Political Economy with specialization in International Relations and Development from the University of Asia and the Pacific, where he also received his Bachelor of Art in Humanities.

## Panelists



### **Rogelio Singson**

*Director, Metro Pacific Water and  
Water Management Expert,  
Water Resources Management Office*

Sec. Rogelio "Babes" L. Singson is the President and Chief Executive Officer of Metro Pacific Tollways Corporation (MPTC), the toll road development and operation arm of infrastructure conglomerate Metro Pacific Investments Corporation.

He currently serves as a member of the Board of Directors of Metro Pacific Investments Corporation, Metro Pacific Water, Indra Philippines, Inc., Philippine Disaster Resilience Foundation and a member of the Board of Trustees of De La Salle University. He also served as President of the Management Association of the Philippines from July 1 to December 31, 2022, to serve the unexpired term of Dr. Alfredo Pascual.

Prior to joining MPTC, he served as the President and Chief Executive Officer of Metro Pacific Water, and its subsidiaries, MERALCO PowerGen Corporation and Light Rail Manila Corporation (LRT 1). He completed a full six-year term (July 2010 to June 2016) as Secretary of the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) where he led the Good Governance and Anti-Corruption Program, and the implementation of major government infrastructure projects nationwide.

Before he was appointed DPWH Secretary in 2010, he was President and CEO of Maynilad Water Services for three (3) years and led the successful turnaround of one of the two major water concessionaires in Metro Manila. Among his previous positions in the private and public sectors were as Senior Vice President of Citadel Holdings, and as Chairman and President of Bases Conversion and Development Authority (BCDA) from 1998 to 2002. He was directly involved in the major projects of SBMA, Clark SEZ & BCDA including the privatization and development of Bonifacio Global City.

In June 2016, he was conferred the Order of Lakandula with the rank of Grand Cross (Bayani). He was also a recipient of the Outstanding Filipino Award for Government/Public Service and was named the Most Distinguished Alumnus by the UP Alumni Engineers in November 2011. He received other significant awards and recognitions, including the Outstanding Exemplar in Government Service, Lifetime Distinguished Achievement Award from the UP Alumni Association; and the Outstanding Manilan Award for Public Service.

He holds a Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering from the University of the Philippines. He is a covenant member of Ang Ligaya ng Panginoon Community.



### **Noel Verdote**

*Lead, Advanced Energy Sources and Systems  
USAID Energy Secure Philippines (ESP) Activity  
RTI International*

Noel N. Verdote is currently Lead for the Deployment of Advanced Energy Sources and Systems of the USAID Energy Secure (ESP) Philippines. He is a sustainable energy management/ green energy finance professional who worked with development-oriented organizations on government implemented projects in the Philippines and in the ASEAN, and in private companies in the Philippines to catalyze and scale up investments in low carbon and green transition. Mr. Verdote is a licensed Mechanical Engineer and has postgraduate degrees in Engineering (Energy Technology) from the Asian Institute of Technology and MBA from the Melbourne Business School.



### **Dr. Gilberto Llanto**

*Team Leader, Regulatory Reform Support Program  
for National Development  
University of the Philippines Public Administration  
Research and Extension Services Foundation  
(UPPAF-RESPOND)*

Gilberto M. Llanto, Ph.D. (Economics) is a Trustee of the Philippine Institute for Development Studies and Team Leader, Regulatory Reform Support Program for National Development (RESPOND), a project of the University of the Philippines Public Administration Foundation. He was President of the policy think-tank, Philippine Institute for Development Studies in 2013-2018. Before this, he was a Senior Fellow and Vice-President of PIDS, Undersecretary of the National Economic and Development Authority (Ministry of Economic Planning) and Executive Director (rank of Assistant Secretary/Assistant Minister) of the Agricultural Credit Policy Council of the Department of Agriculture. He also served as President of the Philippine Economic Society and was Regional Coordinator of the East Asian Development Network.

He has published numerous studies and papers on banking and finance, microfinance, housing finance, local government finance, infrastructure regulation, regulatory management. His most recent publications include Chapters in three books, namely, Reducing Unnecessary Regulatory Burdens in ASEAN (2018), Innovation Policy in ASEAN (2018) and The Development of Regulatory Management Systems in East Asia (2016) published by the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (Jakarta), and a Chapter in Financial Inclusion, Regulation and Education published by the Asian Development Bank Institute, Tokyo (2017).

## Closing Keynote

### Introduction of Speaker



#### **Julian Payne**

*Chairman, Techrep, Inc. and Canadian Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines*

Mr. Payne has been President of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines, since 2009. He joined Canada's Public Service in 1972 as Treasury Board analyst for defense, foreign affairs, and international development.

He later served in the Canadian International Development Agency in various senior positions, his final being Assistant Deputy Minister and Vice President Asia Branch.

In 1981 he was appointed Canada's High Commissioner to Guyana and Ambassador to Suriname. In 1994, he was elected to ADB's Board of Directors until 2003 when he entered the private sector. In 2015, he founded Techrep, Inc. to introduce new technologies in the Philippines. Earlier in 2003 he founded Searep Limited in Hong Kong.

He graduated from the Royal Military College of Canada in 1963 with a BA in Economics and Politics. After service as a naval aviator, he received an M.Sc. (Econ) from the London School of Economics.

### Keynote Speaker



#### **Hon. Robert E.A. Borje**

*Vice-Chairperson and Executive Director  
Climate Change Commission*

Secretary Borje was appointed Commissioner and Vice Chair of the Philippines' Climate Change Commission on 08 March 2022 for a term of six (6) years.

A career diplomat in the Philippine Foreign Service, Mr. Borje brings to the Climate Change Commission nearly two (2) decades of experience in multilateral and bilateral diplomacy and negotiations in climate change and sustainable development and the nexus with disaster preparedness and resiliency, migration, and international security.

He was Presidential Assistant on Foreign Affairs and advised the Office of the President on key multilateral and bilateral issues. Mr. Borje was the Office of the President's focal point in the development, articulation, coordination and implementation of



the Philippines' independent foreign policy for nearly six (6) years, with focus on Philippine strategic interests in climate change and sustainable development agenda, disaster risk reduction and resilience, migrant workers' right, and regional and international security.

Mr. Borje has served as President Duterte's Special Envoy to Japan, the Kingdom of Bahrain, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Tunisia and the United Arab Emirates, to advance bilateral cooperation in areas of mutual interest, including climate change and disaster resilience.

Prior to his detail to the Office of the President, Mr. Borje was Director for the Oceans Governance Division of the Maritime and Ocean Affairs Office and then Director for South and Central Asia at the Office of Asian and Pacific Affairs of the Department of Foreign Affairs.

Mr. Borje's foreign assignments include the Philippine Embassy in Washington, D.C. and the Permanent Mission of the Philippines to the United Nations in New York.

He served as Special Assistant to Secretary of Foreign Affairs Alberto G. Romulo handling the portfolio on multilateral and regional diplomacy. Before passing the Foreign Service Officer Examinations in 2002, Mr. Borje served at the Office of the President's Mindanao Economic Development Council as Senior Economic Development Specialist then Supervising Economic Development Specialist working on Mindanao Investment Programming. He was a broadcast journalist before joining government service.

Mr. Borje has a degree in Communications from the University of the Immaculate Conception. He attended the Netherlands Institute of Foreign Relations Clingendael at The Hague and was Fellow at the Rhodes Academy for Oceans Law and Policy in Greece, the International Institute of Humanitarian Law in Italy and the Asia-Pacific Center for Security Studies in the United States.

Mr. Borje has received three (3) presidential decorations for meritorious service in the field of foreign affairs and diplomacy. In 2007, Mr. Borje was conferred the Orden ng Lakandula (Ranggong Pinuno) and the Gawad Mabini (Ranggong Dakilang Kasugo) by President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo. In 2021, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte conferred upon Mr. Borje the Gawad Mabini with the Rank of Grand Cross (Dakilang Kamanong). Mr. Borje hails from Mindanao and is the son of retired Rear Admiral Adolf P. Borje of San Fernando, La Union and Barangay Captain Eleanor Alabado Borje of Koronadal, South Cotabato.

## ARANGKADA LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDEE



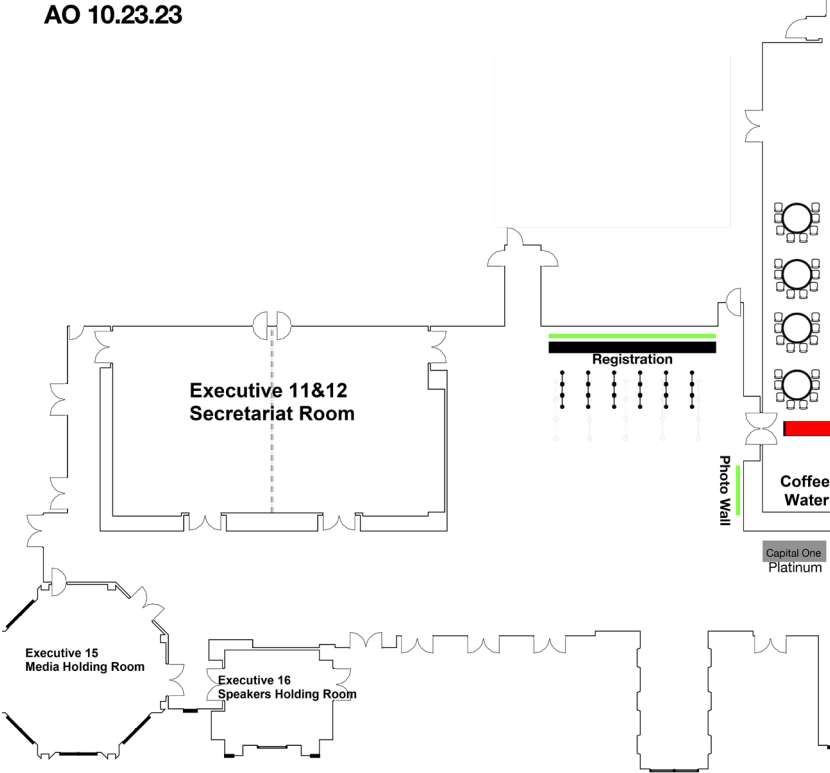
Shameem Qurashi is the former chairman of the Philippine Association of Multinational Companies Regional Headquarters, Inc. (PAMURI), the Chamber of Representing Regional Headquarters (RHQs) and Regional Operating Headquarters (ROHQs) of major multinational companies, including leading international banks and Fortune 500 companies operating in the Asia-Pacific region and covering the worldwide activities of parent companies and affiliates.

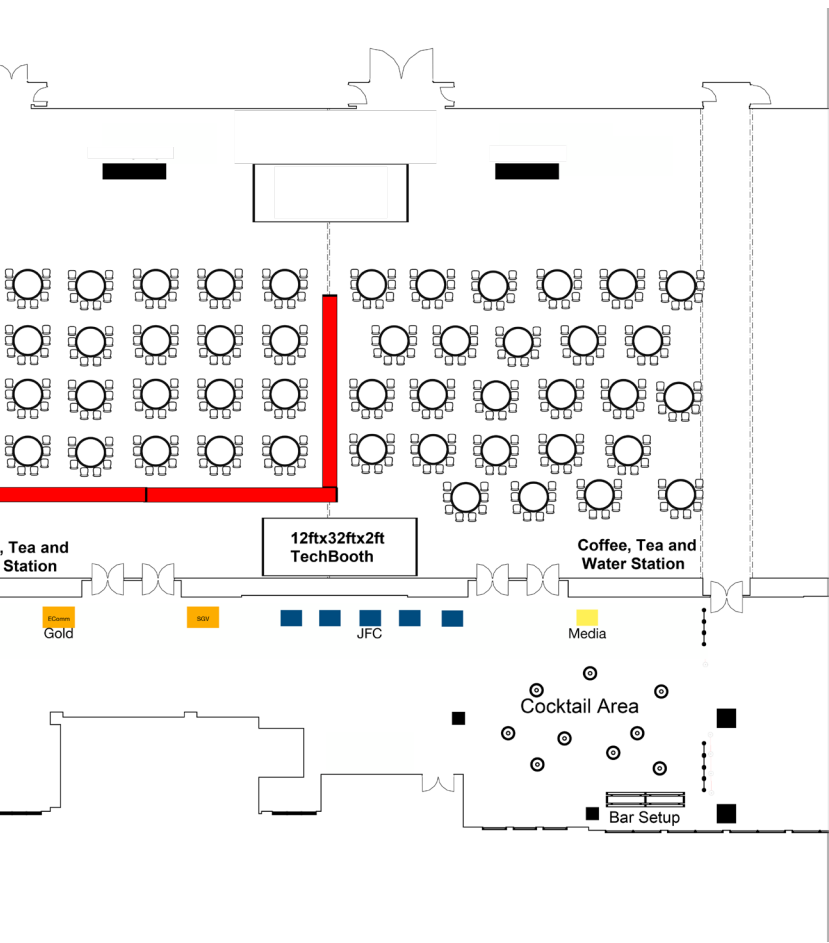
He was the chairman of the Milcon Gulf Group, a privately held conglomerate involved in international projects across a variety of industries and sectors, including aerospace, banking and finance, project structuring, joint venture development, energy, petroleum, information technology, mining, real estate, shipping, telecommunications, tourism and trading. Milcon Gulf's regional headquarters is based in the Philippines, and is a member of PAMURI.

Qurashi was a fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (FCA), Life member of ICAEW.

# EXHIBIT LAYOUT

Venue Floor Plan  
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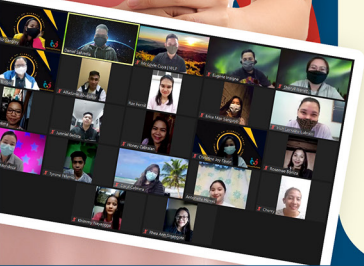


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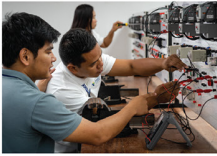
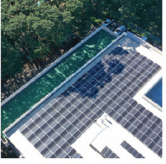
Capital One Philippines recognizes the importance of investing in the future readiness of the Filipino youth. Through its Contact Center Readiness Program (CCRP), the company is taking significant strides in bridging the gap between education and the industry. With the help of this initiative, young Filipinos are given the training and skills necessary to succeed in the IT-BPM sector.

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**Company Profile:** GHD is an employee-owned global engineering, environmental, and architecture consulting firm. GHD works in the energy, water, resources, environment, transportation, and property and buildings markets. Together with an expanded offering in advisory, digital, and project management services, GHD can now partner with its clients from project origination and feasibility study phases; through planning, design, and permitting; and up to operations, decommissioning and closure phases.

GHD offices in Makati City, Cebu City, and Quezon City are home to more than 1000 employees. GHD in the Philippines had been called upon to do technical due diligence like energy yield studies, site assessment which includes geotechnical and hydrological assessments, oceanographic studies, engineering design including ports and coastal engineering, stakeholder engagement, environmental permitting and monitoring, owner's engineer and construction supervision, asset management framework development and implementation, and decarbonization or ESG governance strategy development.

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**Company Profile:** Marubeni Philippines Corporation is one of the leading Japanese companies in the country. With over a hundred years of history in the Philippines, Marubeni actively contributes to the nation's progress by leading infrastructure projects, introducing innovative solutions in technology, promoting environmental and clean energy initiatives, and supporting endeavors in commodity businesses. The Company has established its presence in the handling of products and provision of services in a wide range of sectors. These areas encompass import and export related to food products and materials, petrochemicals, chemicals, petroleum products, metals, and heavy equipment. Our activities also extend to power plant and infrastructure projects, industrial plant, consumer finance, digital technology, water, railway, healthcare, and forestation. Through its projects and investments in the Philippines, Marubeni upholds its commitment to improve the lives of the Filipino people.

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**Company Profile:** Quezon Power (Philippines), Limited Co. (QPL) owns and operates the 460MW net coal-fired electric generating facility and the 31-kilometer transmission line in Barangay Cagsiy 1 in the municipality of Mauban, Quezon. It began commercial operations in May 2000 and to this day continues to deliver reliable and affordable power to the Luzon grid through a 25-year power purchase agreement and transmission line agreement with the Manila Electric Co. (Meralco).

San Buenaventura Power Ltd. Co. (SBPL), a 500-megawatt power plant was built in response to the increased demand for additional power in Luzon. SBPL is the first coal plant in the Philippines to utilize the state-of-the-art supercritical technology that has been proven to increase operational efficiencies and significantly reduce emissions while supplying reliable and affordable electricity in Luzon.

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**Company Profile:** Royal Cargo (RCI) has been providing customized logistics solutions to clients worldwide for over 45 years. We remain dedicated to delivering specialized services to meet the increasing cargo transportation and handling demand.

Its primary operations are in the Philippines. It operates in ten (10) other countries, including the United Kingdom, USA, China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Malaysia, Papua New Guinea, Taiwan, Thailand, and Vietnam. Royal Cargo provides high-quality and cost-efficient specialized logistics solutions in the fields of international and domestic freight forwarding, warehousing and distribution, projects and heavy lift, business process outsourcing, crane and erection, customs clearance and brokerage, liquid transportation, chartering and shipping agency, trucking services, and logistics solutions for clinical research and development – with owned equipment and facilities.

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**Company Profile:** Alaska Milk Corporation (AMC) has been committed to providing affordable and quality nutrition to Filipinos for more than fifty years. AMC is also an active partner of every Filipino in nation building. Over the years, AMC has been recognized both here and abroad for its commitment to eliminating malnutrition by raising milk consumption in the country, sustainability by recycling and upcycling plastic waste, and empowering Filipinos through livelihood and nutrition programs under its AlasKaunlaran Corporate Purpose Responsibility (CPR) Programs.

In 2012, AMC was acquired by Royal FrieslandCampina (RFC), a Dutch multinational dairy cooperative based in Amersfoort, Netherlands. RFC is considered one of the world's largest dairy cooperatives, composed of 15,703 member-dairy farmers in the Netherlands, Germany, and Belgium. RFC supplies consumer products, such as milk, yogurt, and cheese; infant nutrition and desserts; products for the professional market, such as cream and butter products; and ingredients and semi-finished products for producers of infant nutrition, the food industry, and the pharmaceutical sector. RFC has branches in 32 countries and exports to more than 100 countries worldwide.

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**Company Profile:** AIG Philippines Insurance Inc. is a leading non-life insurer in the Philippines providing Property and Casualty Insurance to businesses in the country. We bring the global capabilities of AIG to our clients through unique services and tailor-made insurance solutions to address the specific needs of Philippine businesses. AIG's combination of global risk expertise, familiarity within the industries driving growth in the Philippines, strong financial capacity, technical and engineering expertise, and a responsive local claims team, uniquely position us in the marketplace. Our innovative insurance solutions help our clients mitigate both traditional and emerging risks so that they can have the confidence to face the future. AIG's extensive history in the Philippines, and more broadly across Asia and the world, provide us invaluable knowledge and unique insights which are relevant to the industries, business environment, and growing needs of the Philippines. Today, we remain stronger than ever with our disciplined focus on Property and Casualty solutions and providing a comprehensive range of business insurance solutions and risk mitigation services.

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**Company Profile:** For over 15 years, Amazon Web Services has been the world's most comprehensive and broadly adopted cloud platform. AWS has been continually expanding its services to support virtually any cloud workload, and it now has more than 200 fully featured services for compute, storage, databases, networking, analytics, machine learning and artificial intelligence (AI), Internet of Things (IoT), mobile, security, hybrid, virtual and augmented reality (VR and AR), media, and application development, deployment, and management from 81 Availability Zones (AZs) within 25 geographic regions, with announced plans for 21 more Availability Zones and seven more AWS Regions in Australia, India, Indonesia, Israel, Spain, Switzerland and the United Arab Emirates. Millions of customers—including the fastest-growing startups, largest enterprises, and leading government agencies—trust AWS to power their infrastructure, become more agile, and lower costs. To learn more about AWS, visit [aws.amazon.com](http://aws.amazon.com).

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**Company Profile:** BDO Unibank Inc. (BDO) is the country's largest bank in terms of total assets, loans, deposits and trust funds under management. The Bank has the country's largest distribution network, with over 1,600 consolidated operating branches and more than 4,600 ATMs nationwide, and has 16 international offices in Asia, Europe, North America and the Middle East. The Bank also offers extensive digital banking solutions to make banking easier, faster, and more secure for its clients.

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**Company Profile:** Cargill provides food, agriculture, financial and industrial products and services to the world. Cargill in the Philippines was established in 1947 with a copra buying station, becoming the first subsidiary in Asia Pacific. Since then, it has diversified its footprint and grown its businesses. Headquartered in Bonifacio Global City, Taguig, we employ over 2,000 people across 27 locations throughout the country. Together with farmers, customers, governments and communities, Cargill in the Philippines serves as a trusted partner in food, agriculture and nutrition. We help people thrive by combining new technologies with our insights from over 150 years of experience. Sustainability is at the heart of our purpose to nourish the world, so we continue to drive progress by creating positive environmental, social and economic impacts.

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**Company Profile:** From its inception in 1998, The EON Group has evolved to become the pioneering stakeholder relations agency in the Philippines and is now a fully integrated communications consultancy. With this integration enhanced by a multi-function Innovation Cluster supporting service delivery, EON strives to stay a trusted communications consultant to some of the biggest global brands across twenty-one industries. EON's approach to communications highlights the value of building trust-based relationships with various audiences through authentic storytelling. More than any other firm, EON is positioned to help companies master this approach by simultaneously communicating core messages using channels that are relevant to the target audience. This approach allows EON to support global and local clients build mutually beneficial and trust-based relationships with their stakeholders. This goal is at the core of EON's strategies, expressed through the powerful integration of various disciplines including branding, marketing, communication, stakeholder relations, experiential activations, and digital communication. EON is ranked along with its global affiliate, Edelman, the world's largest independent public relations network. Through this affiliation, EON possesses the capability to service global clients and tap an expanded network for clients wishing to broaden their presence in other markets.



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