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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
No. 2019-124

05 AUG 2019

TO : ALL PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY/MUNICIPAL MAYORS,
PUNONG BARANGAYS, DILG REGIONAL DIRECTORS, BARMM
MINISTER OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, AND OTHERS
CONCERNED

SUBJECT : YOUTH SUSTAINABILITY CONVERGENCE

Republic Act No. 8044 otherwise known as the Youth in Nation-Building Act supports the principle of mobilization of youth's abilities, talents and skills and redirecting their creativity, inventive genius and wellspring of enthusiasm and hope for the freedom of our people from fear, hunger and injustice.

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In view of the above, all local chief executives are hereby encouraged to allow on official business the participation of their Sanggunian Kabataan Officials including Local Youth Development Officers to the abovementioned activity.



Payment of the conference fee of ₱5,500.00 for delegates without accommodation; ₱7,500.00 for pre-registered delegates; and ₱8,500.00 for delegates who register on-site may be allowed chargeable against their respective funds, subject to its availability, and the provisions of DBM-DILG-NYC Joint Memorandum Circular No.1 Series of 2019, dated 23 January 2019, entitled: “Guidelines on the Appropriation, Release, Planning, and Budgeting Process for SK Funds” in the case of SK officials, and existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

For registration and more information, kindly contact Ms. Almira Gargarita, Program Associate, UN SDSN Youth-Philippines at almira.gargarita@sdsnyouthph.org or through mobile number **0956-078-3642**.

Attached with this Circular is the Youth Sustainability Convergence concept note for reference.

All Local Chief Executives and all others concerned are hereby directed to cause the widest dissemination of this Circular to all Local Government Units within their jurisdiction.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.


EDUARDO M. AÑO
Secretary 





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Matibay of NROO
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Gen. Eduardo Manahan Año (Ret.)
Secretary
Department of Interior and Local Government

Dear Gen. Año,

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Using interactive learning sessions and solutions-oriented workshops, the Youth Sustainability Convergence aims to:

- (a) Introduce the Sustainable Development Goals to the youth, particularly in light of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and educate young people about the importance and significance of SDGs and sustainability to the development of their communities and the Philippines.
- (b) Provide youth leaders a platform to learn, talk about, and integrate sustainability in their lives and in their work as local executives and legislators
- (c) Equip the youth, especially young legislators and executives, with skills and knowledge that would create a drive towards sustainability and the sustainable development in their communities through their work
- (d) Provide an avenue for the creation of local and national networks that would encourage the youth to be Solutions Leaders in different fields.
- (e) Provide platforms for youth to create concrete local youth-led programs to solve different problems in communities through their legislative and executive work.





The Youth Sustainability Convergence event is a **four-day live** in convention in Baguio City for youth to have enough time and opportunity to interact and learn with one another. The **conference fee is at P5,5000 for delegations without accommodations, P7,500.00 for pre-registered delegates and P8,500.00 for delegates who register on-site.** The fee includes conference participation, accommodations, food and conference kits which shall include a booklet, a camp shirt, tumblers, pens, souvenirs among all.

We would like to ask the help of the **Department of Interior and Local Government** through issuing an **official memorandum circular** inviting all Sanguniang Kabataaan officials and members, Young legislators and executives, Local Youth Development Councils Offices, and Youth Offices in all barangays, cities, and regions in the Philippines to attend the said event. We propose, and as what was discussed with the National Youth Commission, **that the funding for the registration fees and other expenses related to this conference can be taken from budget of the the Local Government Units.** Though, as per consultation with COA on their Memorandum Circular dated on **June 17,2019 on the JMC entitled "Guidelines on the Appropriation, Release, Planning, and Budgeting Process for SK funds"** the Sanguniang Kabataan can use their funds to attend **capacity building activities and trainings like the Youth Sustainability Convergence** – Though on this matter, we will be respecting the department's wisdom.

We have also attached the Youth Sustainability Convergence concept note and other pertinent documents to help you in making the advisory.

Should you have any concern or questions, do not hesitate to message the undersigned at **+639560783642** or **almira.gargarita@sdsnyouthph.org**.

Thank you very much and we hope to hear from you in the coming days.

Yours in service,

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Office of the President of the Philippines
National Youth Commission
"The Voice and Advocate of the Youth"



YOUTH ORGANIZATION REGISTRATION PROGRAM

ADVISORY

No. 17, series of 2019

SUBJECT: Youth Sustainability Convergence

DATE: August 15-19, 2019

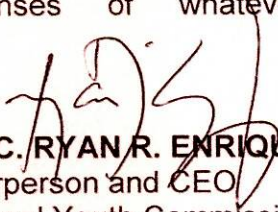
VENUE: Teacher's Camp, Baguio City

The **Sustainable Development Solutions Network (UN SDSN Youth-Philippines)** is a UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network official youth initiative that educates young people about the challenges of sustainable development and creates opportunities for them to use their creativity and knowledge to pioneer innovative solutions for Sustainable Development Goals.

This year UN SDSN Youth-Philippines aims to create a platform for young people to connect, collaborate and integrate their ideas and perspectives into national and regional pathways for the implementation of the SDGs through the Youth Sustainability Convergence with the theme "Shaping Solutions Leaders for a Sustainable 2030" from August 15-19, 2019 at Teacher's Camp, Baguio City.

For registration and more information, you may coordinate with their secretariat +639560783642 or almira.gargarita@sdsnyouthph.org.

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USEC. RYAN R. ENRIQUEZ
Chairperson and CEO
National Youth Commission

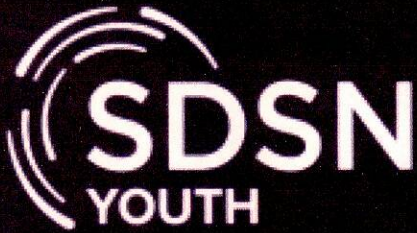


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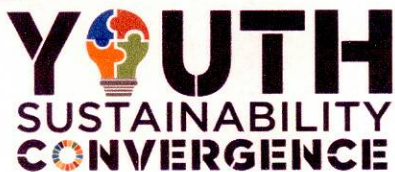
BAGUIO CITY
AUGUST 15-18, 2019



UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network Youth – Philippines

SDSN is a Global Initiative for the United Nations. In 2012, the UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon launched SDSN to mobilize global scientific and technological expertise to promote practical problem solving for sustainable development at local, national, and global scales.

In 2015, SDSN launched SDSN Youth as its official youth initiative. SDSN Youth educates young people about the challenges of sustainable development and creates opportunities for them to use their creativity and knowledge to pioneer innovative solutions for Sustainable Development Goals.

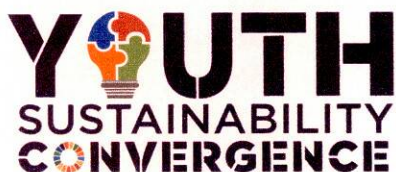


SHAPING SOLUTIONS LEADERS FOR A SUSTAINABLE 2030

With the theme "**Shaping Solutions Leaders for a Sustainable 2030**", **The Youth Sustainability Convergence**, a project of **UN SDSN Youth – Philippines**, aims to gather youth organizations and SDG advocates to strengthen the on-going initiatives of the youth sector and expand young people's programs and strategies in achieving the sustainable development goals.

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- e. Provide platforms for youth **to create concrete local and youth led programs** to solve different problems in their communities.



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

The achievement of the **Sustainable Development Goals** is the primary focus of the SDSN Youth and is at the forefront of the **Youth Sustainability Convergence**. On August 15-19, 2019, the SDGs will take center stage in the Philippines as more than one thousand (1000) young individuals from more than a hundred delegations from different backgrounds are expected to converge and create solutions for a more sustainable world.

Through the Youth Solutions Convergence, young people shall be part of the history of formulating ideas, debating about development plans, and creating concrete projects for **a world where no one is left behind**.



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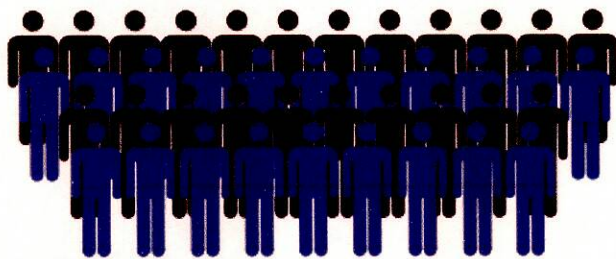
Where to, Baguio?

DETAILS WORTH REMEMBERING

The Youth Sustainability Convergence shall be a 4-day and 4-night convention that shall be held at the **The Baguio Teachers' Camp, Leonardwood Road, Baguio City, Luzon** from **August 15-19, 2019**.

One Thousand (1000) participants are expected to participate in the convergence coming from over a hundred delegations from the Philippines and foreign countries. For a more experiential environment, **more than thirty organizations and companies** are set partner to showcase how they work towards Sustainable Development and how they put Sustainability in their work.

PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS



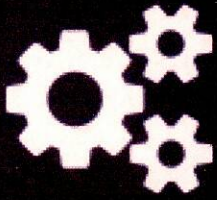
1000 Students and Community Youth Leaders (Ages 15-35) from all over the Country and the World



At least 40% of the slots will be given to women



Sub-sectoral representations will be prioritized



ACTIVITIES AND THE ASOS FRAMEWORK

All of the activities at the Youth Sustainability Convergence 2019 will revolve around the five foundations of sustainability which is People, Prosperity, Planet, Partnership, and Peace.

Through the ASOS framework of SDSN Youth, Participants would be grounded on different **principles regarding Society, Self, Organizations and organizational affairs, and Solutions making.** The ASOS framework at work is SDSN Youth Philippines' primary response for young people's development.

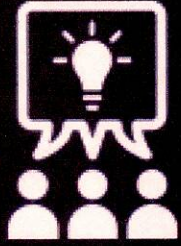


PLENARY SESSIONS



The Plenary sessions aim to equip participants with **knowledge on the SDGs, the youth situation in the Philippines, and the collective solutions and actions young people are doing for sustainable development throughout the country.**

Participated in by everyone, the session aims to as well be a networking tool for young leaders to connect with each other and to discuss different issues and solutions for their communities.



Breakout Sessions for Advocacy Enrichment



the Breakout Sessions for Advocacy Enrichment aim to educate the youth about **current realities and issues the Philippines is facing and advocacy principles and knowledge in realizing the the 2030 agenda.**

With renowned heads of Civil Societies and Government Agencies as speakers, young leaders would get first hand information about current strategies on tackling advocacies.

Breakout Sessions for Sustainable Skills

The Breakout Sessions for Advocacy Enrichment comes from the idea that effective organizations are grounded on good operational skills and are founded on best practices.

With industry captains from the academe and the private sector, **young leaders would learn practical skills in running their organizations.** Topics include fundraising, human resource management, community organizing, and project implementation.



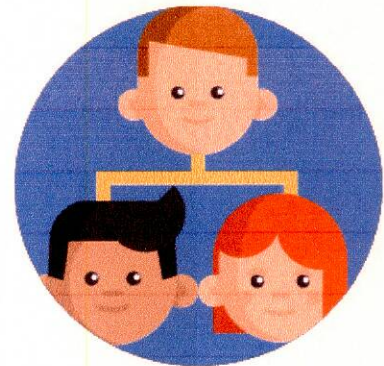


Mentorships

Mentorships form an integral part of continuous and effective leadership. With **youth leader mentors from different successful organizations**, each participant will be given a mentor to guide him/her in creating concrete solutions and programs for their communities.

Group Discussions

Group Discussions aims to give **safe spaces for young people** to talk about their ideas for sustainable development and intellectually debate with other young people about ways and strategies on how to solve issues on sustainable development. With SDSN Youth facilitators, discussions would flow constructively towards the realization of everyone's programs for their communities

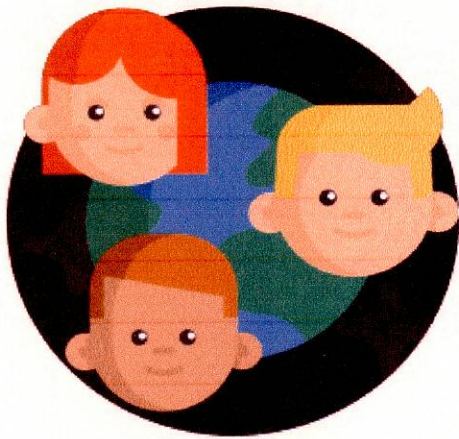


Community Immersions

Community Immersions are designed to give **experiential activities for young people to know and understand advocacy work**. Through different immersions in different advocacy work spaces of companies and NGOs, participants will have first hand experience and close-up learning sessions on the development sector and how it seeks to change the landscape of the Philippines



PLANET FAIR COMPETITION



“There is no plan B because we do not have a Planet B.” UN Sec. Gen. Ban Ki Moon has urged people to work and galvanize actions to help create a world where no one is left behind. It is through this call that the Youth Sustainability Convergence **shall be a spring board for youth ideas and innovations for Sustainable Development.**

Through the Planet Fair Competition, delegations or groups of eight to ten youth leaders from the same organizations have a chance to start concrete and real solutions for Sustainable Development. SDSN Youth will be giving **seed funding for innovations** that can solve real community problems. Mechanics for this competition will be announced a month before the event.

SUSTAINABILITY EXPO

In this four-day expo, different non-government organizations, social enterprises, and private companies shall **showcase different sustainability and sustainable development programs being implemented by their institutions.**

Through different creative means and sessions, these organizations and corporations, shall also exhibit how Filipino and international entities **integrate sustainability** in their processes and systems.





WHAT TO EXPECT FROM THE CONVERGENCE

All participants shall be given modest accommodations in the form of **solo beds** in the dormitories of The Baguio Teachers' Camp. To promote team work and discussions, **every participant with a delegation shall be housed with each other.** Though, housing shall be gender specific. Participants are advised to bring personal effects.

We believe that **camaraderie among cultures and different backgrounds** is of utmost importance in these events, we would like to advise everyone to bring souvenirs and food from their own localities to be shared with other people. There will be **nightly fellowships for all participants.**

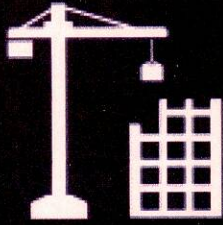


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Sustainability kits, YSC conference kits, were designed to empower young leaders to **participate and immerse themselves in the whole convergence experience.** More so, Sustainability kits would include **sustainability jump starter** packs which shall consist of different instruments to be used in different basic activities in and out of the convergence. Included in the kits are:

- (a) Convergence Handbook
- (b) Pencils
- (c) Camp T-shirt
- (d) SDSN Youth and Partner Freebies
- (e) Sustainability Jump starter packs
- (f) And many more



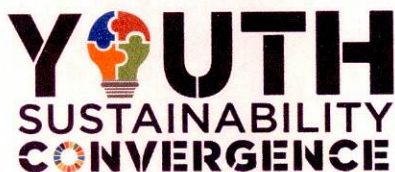


FEE AND PAYMENT PROCEDURES

KIND OF REGISTRATION	RATE
SDSN Youth Member Special Rate	PhP 2,500.00 for the first slot
EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION and PAYMENT (Before June 15)	PhP 6,500.00
PRE-EVENT REGISTRATION and PAYMENT (June 15 to August 12, 2019)	PhP 7,500.00
ON-SITE REGISTRATION and PAYMENT (August 15, 2019)	PhP 8,500.00
International Delegates	USD 250.00
GROUP REGISTRATION PROMO	For every ten paying participants within one delegation (same organization or community), one slot shall be given for free

Procedures:

1. Deposit at SDSN Youth PH **CHINABANK** Bank Account once confirmation of registration has been received:
Account Number: **1226 00 00 284-6**
Account Name: **Sustainable Development Solutions Network Youth Philippines, Inc.**
2. E-mail deposit slip at payment.ysc@sdsnyouthph.org
3. **For other payment methods**, please e-mail us at payment.ysc@sdsnyouth.org or you may call us at 0956 078 3642





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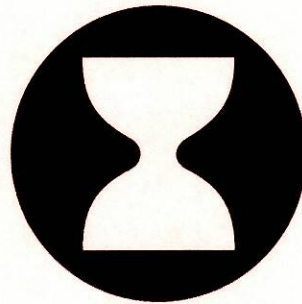
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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION



MEMORANDUM FROM THE CHAIRMAN

FOR : ALL CHED CENTRAL AND REGIONAL OFFICE DIRECTORS
ALL PRESIDENTS / HEADS OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE HIGHER
EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS (HEIS)

SUBJECT : PARTICIPATION IN THE YOUTH SUSTAINABILITY
CONVERGENCE WITH THE THEME, "THE EMERGENCE OF
SOLUTIONS LEADERS FOR 2030 PHILIPPINES", TO BE HELD
ON AUGUST 15-19, 2019 AT THE BAGUIO TEACHER'S CAMP,
BAGUIO CITY

DATE : 10 JUNE 2019

In accordance with the pertinent provisions of Republic Act (R.A.) 7722, otherwise known as the "Higher Education Act of 1994", this Office hereby endorses the above undertaking organized by Sustainable Development Solutions Network Youth Philippines, Inc. for the support and participation of all concerned.

This activity is open to all interested students, educators, administrators, and practitioners from Higher Education Institutions (HEIs).

Participation of officials, employees and students from private higher education institutions (HEIs) shall be **VOLUNTARY**. Officials and employees of State and Local Universities and Colleges (SUCs and LUCs) who will participate in this activity should obtain prior approval from the President/Head of their respective institutions. Proper use of government funds in accordance with the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) National Budget Circular No. 563 of 2016 and Budget Circular No. 2017-5 is highly expected.

For registration and further information, you may coordinate with their organizers via email at almira.gargarita@sdsnyouthph.org or via phone inquiry through 0956-078-3642.

Wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

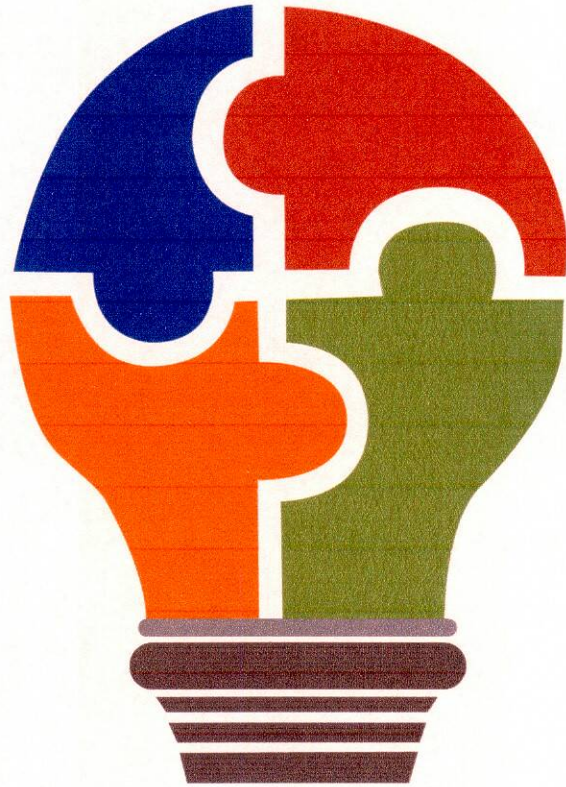
J. PROSPERO E. DE VERA III, DPA
Chairman

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