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# **Editorial**

### Dear reader,

Global healthcare concerns such as chronic diseases, mental health, vaccination and immunization, and healthcare access have revealed critical underlying health challenges, highlighting the need for increased public health awareness. This has prompted companies to prioritize healthcare, leading to significant changes in business operations across various industries. Businesses and organizations now place greater importance on the health and safety of their employees, clients, and communities, while integrating comprehensive health and safety strategies into their core business models.

Given the numerous healthcare concerns we are currently facing, it is crucial to prioritize more effective and inclusive health and safety protocols that address both mental and physical well-being. This underscores a broader understanding that the health of both the workforce and society impacts the long-term success of businesses.

In this edition of our EuroPH Connect, we delve into the **Florian Gottein** various healthcare issues concerning the Philippines. Featured in this issue is an insightful contribution from the **ECCP Executive Director** Secretary of the Department of Health, Teodoro Herbosa, as he shares the latest updates on the agency's ongoing On the advocacy side, ECCP President Mr. Paulo Duarte initiatives and the critical health challenges they are attended the third State of the Nation Address of President actively addressing. As well as discussing the importance Ferdinand Marcos Jr. where key priorities were highlighted of collaborating with international organizations and and resonated with the Chamber's advocacies. Likewise, it stakeholders to improve health outcomes. Read more about also provided an overview on the administration's continued this on page X. efforts to address critical issues and foster a thriving economic environment in the Philippines.

Take a look at Premium Member Roche (Philippines), as they discuss their strategic partnership with the public sector As for other highlights, take a look at our Advocacy Corner aimed at combating cancer and raising awareness about on page X and get the latest updates on our various this critical health issue. Sanofi, another esteemed Premium engagements with key government offices as well as our Member, also shares their perspective on the importance of committee meetings to discuss pressing industry concerns holistic wellness. and issues.

Upholding the Chamber's steadfast commitment to We extend a warm welcome to our new members, featured providing a platform to address the pressing challenges in in the New Members Corner on page X. To stay up to date the Philippine society, the ECCP held recent flagship events about the latest activities from our branches in Manila, Cebu, such as the Water Challenge Forum with the theme "Flowing Davao, Cagayan de Oro, Clark, and Iloilo, read this on page X. Forward: Harmonizing Efforts for Water Security" wherein Furthermore, you may also explore the available business pressing water challenges in the country and government opportunities on page X. We also highlight our lineup of priorities were discussed and highlighted. We also held the events, training programs, and international trade fairs that Nutrition Forum that invited key stakeholders from various may be of interest to you. sectors to address the pressing issues of malnutrition In the third quarter, we will continue to provide our members and obesity in the Philippines and to underscore the role and partners a space to discuss pressing concerns and of nutrition in promoting sustainable socio-economic advocacies through our flagship events. We continue development. With the theme "Investing in Nutrition: to advocate industry concerns and work together with Foundations for a Thriving and Healthy Future," this event stakeholders in the government and the private sector to had two sessions highlighting policies aimed at eradicating come up with initiatives. malnutrition and key initiatives of relevant stakeholders at the grassroots level.

These are just some of the many events and activities organized by the ECCP and there is more to come in the upcoming weeks and months. Stay updated by checking our events calendar for the month of August on page X or you may also keep track through our social media channels and our website.

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As always, we are grateful for your continued trust and support. I hope you enjoy this issue and we are excited to see you in one of our activities.

Best regards, Florian

Interview with the Department of Health Secretary Hon. Teodoro Herbosa

What are the current primary health challenges facing the to healthcare enhances overall well-being and life satisfaction, Philippines, and how is the Department of Health addressing leading to a more stable and content society. them?

The current primary health challenges facing the Philippines were first revealed during the COVID-19 pandemic. Issues in health infrastructure, processes, and human resources for health are the focus of the Health Sector 8-Point Action Agenda (8-PAA), which, in turn, lies at the core of the National Objectives for Health (NOH) 2023-2028, the government's medium-term strategy to strengthen the health sector.

For a developing country like the Philippines, prevention of illness is the key to better health outcomes and lower healthcare costs. Hence, we focused on improving the delivery of primary health care, where patients receive comprehensive and coordinated health services. Primary healthcare is effective in the prevention and early management of diseases before they become more complicated or severe. Thus, strengthening primary health care, which is at the heart of Universal health care, can reduce overcrowding in hospitals and make quality healthcare more accessible and affordable.

To ensure that no one is left behind in the provision of quality of the 8-Point Action Agenda (8PAA) performance towards the healthcare, we intensified our individual- and population-based realization of its key strategic objectives. interventions to maintain and protect health and well-being. We are continuously implementing the Health Facilities Enhancement The MEAL system shall form the basis for the assessment of annual Program (HFEP) which constructs Primary Care Facilities (PCFs) in progress, as well as a structured framework for evaluating the all provinces. We also launched other programs that would bring agenda's achievements by the conclusion of this administration healthcare closer to the people. These include the establishment in mid-2028. The adoption of the MEAL system underscores of Bagong Urgent Care and Ambulatory Services (BUCAS) Centers, the Department's commitment to stakeholder accountability operated by DOH hospitals, offering preventive, diagnostic, and and emphasizes the utilization of learning points from the 8PAA curative primary care services. They are convenient and accessible implementation for continuous quality improvement in the health one-stop shops for patients seeking health services. BUCAS Centers sector. It shall also foster a culture of learning, ensuring a sustained may soon be operated on a 24/7 basis, and will be the catalyst to effort to enhance decision-making processes for subsequent link the rest of the Health Care Provider Network (HCPN). We also agenda development. deployed Bagong Pilipinas Mobile Clinics, which will complement the The DOH is tasked with facilitating capacity-building programs capacity of existing health facilities and, with their mobility, reach for local government units. Can you elaborate on the types of more patients in remote and underserved areas.

What are the DOH's strategies in terms of collaborating with international organizations and other sector stakeholders to improve health outcomes in the Philippines?

The DOH collaborates with international organizations and other sectors through various initiatives.

- The DOH, in coordination with the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), DOH Centers for Health Development (CHD), Union of Local Authorities of the • Through memberships in different multilateral and regional Philippines, Association of Municipal Health Officers of the bodies like the WHO, ASEAN, UN, APEC, Gavi, and other Philippines, Provincial Health Officers Association of the international organizations, we are able to get support through Philippines, and Sanggunian Council Chairman for Health funding, technical assistance, capacity building for our health created a program to develop the Handbook for Local Health workers, and access to essential medicines and vaccines. Boards (LHBs), which will serve as a governance reference for There is also easier coordination with other countries and the LHBs such that it could fully support the Local Government other organizations especially during pandemics and health Unit's (LGU) journey towards Universal Health Care (UHC). emergencies. LHBs, composed of representatives from the LGU at several levels, from the DOH, and from the private sector, were formed By forging bilateral/multilateral agreements or cooperation under the UHC Act of 2019.
- with other countries, we foster our diplomatic relations, agree on areas of cooperation for implementation, share health data This handbook will serve as a crucial resource, outlining good and best experiences to improve health systems, conduct practices, procedural steps, and strategies for overcoming health research, and provide technical assistance. common challenges towards the functionalization of LHBs.

#### The National Objectives of Health (NOH) 2023-2028 strategy is **Capacity Development Program for DOH Representatives** anchored on "AmBisyon Natin 2040." How does promoting good health contribute to the broader goals of economic and social transformation outlined in this long-term vision?

The NOH 2023-2028, the health sector's medium-term strategy, is anchored on and aligned with our long-term vision and mediumterm plans, "AmBisyon Natin 2040" and the Philippine Development Plan (PDP) 2023-2028, respectively. The NOH emphasizes promoting UHC as essential to achieving economic and social transformation. Ensuring equitable access to guality healthcare services upholds Filipinos' fundamental right to health.

Healthy individuals are more productive, contributing to economic growth. Preventive care reduces healthcare costs, freeing up resources for education, infrastructure, and social services. Access

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A strong health system improves resilience to health crises, ensuring minimal disruption to economic and social activities. Healthy children perform better in school, laying the foundation for a skilled and knowledgeable future workforce. Addressing social determinants of health, such as working and living conditions, ensures people can lead healthier lives.

By promoting UHC, the NOH 2023-2028 strategy supports the vision of "AmBisyon Natin 2040". This integrated and holistic approach to health and development is key to sustainable economic and social transformation in the Philippines.

### Establishing a robust monitoring and evaluation framework is crucial for the NOH 2023-2028. How does the DOH plan to track and assess the progress of the health sector's medium-term strategy?

The health sector's medium-term strategy monitoring, evaluation, accountability, and learning (MEAL) system is being developed to provide guidance on the quantitative and qualitative dimensions

# programs and workshops that will be implemented to enhance local healthcare capabilities?

### Development of Handbook for Local Health Boards

- The first module (technical) and practicum for DOH representatives working with the LGU was piloted to the DOH Representatives of SOCCSKSARGEN Center for Health Development in 2023-2024. In 2024, DOH will continue its partnership with PBSP to develop and pilot Module 2 (leadership), the Facilitators' Guide, and the actual Training Manual in preparation for its national rollout in 2025.
- These DOH representatives serve to provide technical and managerial assistance to the LGU through the Local Health Boards and in other capacities that might be needed as the LGU transitions towards Universal Health Care.

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Signing the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) are (from left): Atty. Cesar Ong, Chief of Staff of Tingog Partylist; Marco V. Sanchez, Roche (Philippines) Inc. Country Manager for Diagnostics; Tingog Partylist Rep. Jude Acidre; Dr. Diana Edralin, Roche (Philippines) Inc. General Manager for Pharmaceuticals; and Dr. Ma. Teresa Dioko, Roche (Philippines) Inc. Health Ecosystem Chapter Lead

# Tingog Partylist, Roche (Philippines) Inc. sign pact to help educate, screen, diagnose, treat women with breast, cervical cancer

- a memorandum of agreement (MOA) to advance the 2030 Mission Leapfrog Project (MLP), a collaboration of Roche and health ecosystems partners to accelerate transformation in healthcare outcomes for women affected by breast and cervical cancer.
- Through the MOA, the Tingog-Roche partnership supports the goals of the National Integrated Cancer Control Act (NICCA) and the Universal Health Care Law (UHC) as it aims to advance breast and cervical cancer education, screening, diagnosis, and treatment to support women in key MLP sites.

"Mission Leapfrog embodies a noble mission to accelerate the MANILA - To raise awareness of breast and cervical cancer journey towards improved healthcare systems, focusing on the and boost the capability of the government to give care and pivotal experiences of breast and cervical cancer patients. This treatment to more women nationwide, Tingog Partylist and Roche initiative aims to revolutionize the landscape of women's health," (Philippines) Inc. signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) on he added. May 8, 2024 to advance the 2030 Mission Leapfrog Project (MLP).

"We thank Tingog Partylist and Reps. Yedda Romualdez and The MOA cements a private-public sector partnership in Jude Acidre for partnering with us in ensuring teachers, support of the goals of the National Integrated Cancer Control mothers, daughters, pillars of our society have access to life-Act (NICCA) and the Universal Healthcare Law (UHC), as 2030 saving medicines and diagnostics," said Dr. Edralin, who is also Mission Leapfrog aims to improve healthcare outcomes in the President of the Pharmaceutical and Healthcare Association of Philippines, specifically those for breast and cervical cancer, the Philippines (PHAP). through components such as education, screening, diagnostics, "We also thank House Speaker Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez for and treatment accessibility.

The parties formally signed the memorandum at the Office of Tingog Partylist at the House of Representatives in Quezon City through Tingog Partylist Rep. Rep. Jude Acidre; Dr. Diana Edralin, General Manager of Roche (Philippines) Inc.; and Dr. Ma. Teresa Dioko, Healthcare Ecosystems Chapter Lead of Roche (Philippines) Inc.

With the MOA, Tingog and Roche hope to speed up the transformation of healthcare outcomes in the country by improving the referral system from screening to treatment, through the lens of a breast or cervical cancer patient and through key partner local government units (LGUs).

"With this agreement, we mark the beginning of a transformative journey with the 2030 Mission Leapfrog Project," said Tingog Partylist Rep. Yedda Marie K. Romualdez in her message delivered by Rep. Acidre.

"At the heart of Tingog Partylist's mission is a steadfast commitment to championing the health and well-being of our people. Our core agenda has always been focused on fostering healthcare development that directly benefits the lives of those we serve," she added.



Tingog Partylist and Roche (Philippines) Inc. have signed "Our partnership with Roche (Philippines) Inc. signifies a pivotal step towards realizing this vision. Roche's global expertise in healthcare innovation, combined with Tingog's deep understanding of the local landscape, creates a powerful synergy. Together, we are poised to make significant strides in improving the diagnosis and treatment of breast and cervical cancer, thereby enhancing the quality of life for countless individuals," Rep. Romualdez said.

> "Today marks a significant leap forward in our shared commitment to transforming health care outcomes, particularly in the realm of breast cancer and cervical cancer," Rep. Acidre said.

> helping us at Roche address the anxiety and confusion around breast and cervical cancer and empower women to take charge of their health through better education and prevention, and lessen the fear of the financial impact of cancer through government and private funding support," added Dr. Dioko.

> Under the collaborative agreement, Tingog and Roche will help advance breast and cervical cancer education, people gathering, diagnosis, and treatment support for the women in the Mission Leapfrog LGU sites, as they champion policies supporting cancer program prioritization and funding.

> Roche will also bring in partners from various stakeholders who will support and develop the MLP, and help map out avenues to care and financing to minimize the out-of-pocket expenses of patients.

> Apart from helping provide access to mammogram and breast ultrasound services to high-risk women identified by the Mission Leapfrog Program, Tingog will also help provide funding support for breast and cervical cancer diagnosis and cancer treatment.

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# Inside ECCP: Manila

### ECCP Courtesy Visit with Bulaon-Bulaon Law Office 8 May 2024

The ECCP Membership team and Bulaon-Bulaon Law Office, represented by Atty. Erynne Angelie Bulaon and Atty. Iona Ashley Bulaon recently convened for a productive meeting. During the discussion, both parties engaged in a comprehensive discussion regarding potential collaborative initiatives. The meeting also explored avenues for fostering mutually beneficial growth and establishing a formal partnership.

The Chamber was represented by Gen Anaquita-Gatan, ECCP Associate Director for Strategic Partnerships & Communications; and Canela Reillo, ECCP Membership Relations Associate.



### ACDI Multipurpose Cooperative Courtesy Visit to ECCP Manila Office 5 June 2024

ACDI Multipurpose Cooperative visited the ECCP Manila office in pursuit of expanding its reach and influence.

Both parties discussed advancement opportunities and membership benefits with the ECCP, such as exclusive access to events, establishing transformative and tangible connections with industry leaders and experts, and potential for business growth and development.

Present in the meeting were (from L-R) Ms. Gen Anaquita, ECCP Associate Director for Strategic Partnerships & Communications; Mr. Patrick John Rico, ACDI Externals and Cooperative Affairs Officer;



Mr. Gabriel C. Albitos, ACDI Head, Luzon Externals and Cooperative Affairs Department; Mr. Jesrael Boot, ACDI Associate for Luzon Externals and Cooperative Affairs Department; and Ms. Canela Reilo, ECCP Membership Relations Associate.

### **Qatar Airways Courtesy Visit to ECCP** 5 June 2024

Qatar Airways paid a courtesy visit to ECCP to discuss their partnership for the ECCP Member Rewards Program.

Discussed in the meeting includes Qatar Airways' Beyond Business Programme that allows members to earn exclusive Qrewards, which can be redeemed for a flight, an upgrade, lounge vouchers, excess baggage, and more.

Present in the meeting were (from L-R) Ms. Gen Anaquita-Gatan, ECCP Associate Director for Strategic





Partnerships & Communications; Ms. Jackie Junio, Qatar Airways Senior Account Manager; and Ms. Canela Ysabel Reillo, ECCP Membership Relations Associate.

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### Agile Project Management Fundamentals 7.0 18 June 2024

Last June 18, ECCP Competency Hub with partner HURIS Inc. held the e-Learning session "Agile Project Management Fundamentals 7.0" via ZOOM.

This session empowered attendees to understand the dynamics of project management, fostering strong team collaboration and ultimately boosting their project success rates. The participants also learned to navigate uncertainties with agility and execute projects efficiently and competently.

We also offer this training for in-house or exclusive runs. To request a formal proposal, or to learn more about our training, please email trainings@eccp.com.

### Information Session on Government's Initiatives to Combat Plastic Waste 20 June 2024

The European Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines hosted an insightful information session on stakeholders' sustainability initiatives at Spaces, BGC. The event featured discussions on the latest government efforts to combat plastic waste and related strategies involving multi-sectoral collaboration, with focus on the implementation of the Extended Producer Responsibility Law.

Esteemed speakers and panellists from both the public and private sectors from the Department of Finance, DENR-Environmental Management Bureau, Philippine Alliance for Recycling and Materials Sustainability, SGV, Holcim Philippines, Nestle Philippines, and Coca-Cola Beverages Philippines contributed to this platform by

# MS Excel Advanced Skills for Business 20 June 2024

Held last June 20, ECCP Competency Hub's exclusive e-Learning session with RISE on "MS Excel Advanced Skills for Business" virtual training was a huge success. Attendees learned and mastered formulas, conquered complex data analysis, and are now ready to take their business efficiency to the next level.

The success of the MS Excel Advanced Skills for Business event empowers not just individual employees, but entire organizations to thrive in a datacentric landscape.

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exchanging important and timely insights on shaping a sustainable future for all.



### Managing Upwards: Improving the Executive-Assistant Relationship 21 June 2024

ECCP Competency Hub e-Learning session on "Managing Upwards: Improving the Executive-Assistant Relationship" with HURIS Inc. held last June 21 via ZOOM was a resounding success! The virtual training session equipped the attendees with knowledge in building a stronger Executive-Assistant relationship. Everyone is feeling empowered and ready to take their partnership to the next level.

We also offer this training for in-house or exclusive runs. To request a formal proposal, or to learn more about our training, please email trainings@eccp.com.

### Empowering Inclusion Through Gender Diversity and Allyship 27 June 2024

Celebrating an enlightening session that motivated us to pave the way for a better future.

Welcomed by ECCP Vice President Dr. Diana Edralin, the participants gathered for an empowering conversation on "Empowering Inclusion Through Gender Diversity and Allyship," held last 27 June 2024 at Makati Commerce Tower. The attendees learned so much about the power of gender diversity and the importance of allyship. From creating a safe space for open communication to building inclusive hiring practices, this event was packed with actionable insights.

### ECCP Attends the 10th Anniversary of Nezda Global 4 July 2024

ECCP would like to extend its warmest congratulations to our esteemed member, Nezda Global, on celebrating its 10th anniversary and inaugurating its new workspace at the 6th Floor of Rufino Building, Makati City on 04 July 2024. Gen Anaquita-Gatan, Associate Director for Strategic Partnerships and Communications; and Canela Reillo, Member Relations Associate represented the Chamber along with Nezda representatives Jea C. Paguntalan, Senior Manager, Business Development and Jagruti Manshani, Senior Business Manager.



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Huge thanks to our amazing speakers, moderator and event partners Philippine Business Coalition for Women Empowerment, Mondelēz International, Smart Communications, Inc., Unilever, and Colliers Philippines for making this event a success!



ECCP is also looking forward to furthering our partnership at the Asia Business Show on August 28th and 29th in Singapore.

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### ECCP Premium Member Du-Baladad and Associates (BDB Law) paid a courtesy visit to the ECCP main office in Makati City 10 July 2024

Underscoring BDB Law's commitment to leveraging its membership towards collective growth and development within the ECCP network. The visit also aimed to strengthen mutual understanding and explore potential areas for joint initiatives.

Present in the meeting were (from L-R) Aileen May B. Baligod, ECCP Manager, Industry and Government Gayda, Corporate Affairs Officer, BDB Law; Atty. Fulvio Affairs. D. Dawilan, Managing Partner; Catherine Lee, ECCP Du-Baladad and Associates (BDB Law) is a law firm Business Consultancy and Research Manager; Gen specializing in taxation and corporate services. It Anaquita-Gatan, ECCP Associate Director for Strategic is an exclusive member firm of the WTS Global in Partnerships and Communications; Alexdanre Ho the Philippines. WTS Global is a leading global tax Thanh, Head of Advisory Services, RBA; Wim Wuyts, practice offering the full range of tax services and is CEO and Managing Director of WTS Global; Atty. represented in over 100 countries. Benedicta Du-Baladad, Founding Partner and CEO,

### ECCP Courtesy visit to Manila House Private Members Club 16 July 2024

ECCP had a productive discussion with its newest member, Manila House Private Members Club. On 16 July 2024, ECCP and Manila House explored exciting opportunities for collaboration in various aspects that includes both parties' mutual interests, shared objectives, and potential benefits from working together.

Established in 2017, Manila House is known for providing an exclusive venue for networking, socializing, and leisure activities to its members through luxurious ambiance with amenities such as fine dining, lounges, event spaces, and recreational facilities.

Present in the meeting were (from L-R) Mindy Santiago-Ignacio, Head of F&B Sales and Retail; Armine Pondoc, Marketing Manager; Canela Reillo,

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BDB Law; Eugene Lim, Asia Pacific Chief Operations Officer, WTS Global & Founding Principal, WTS Taxise; Jonathan Webster, ECCP Director/Treasurer; and Katt Baligod, ECCP Manager, Industry and Government Affairs.



ECCP Membership Associate; Gen Anaquita-Gatan, ECCP Associate Director for Strategic Partnerships & Communications; Nick Kristelle Diamante, Membership & Sales Executive; and Donna Gem Ferrer, Head of Membership Sales.

### **ECCP Courtesy Visit to Incorp Philippines** 16 July 2024

ECCP paid a courtesy visit to one of its member, InCorp Philippines last 16 July 2024

During the visit, both parties discussed potential avenues for collaboration, underscoring the ECCP's commitment to establishing connections that promote business expansion and cooperation.

Founded in 2007, InCorp Philippines (formerly known as Kittelson and Carpo Consulting) has been instrumental in guiding both local and foreign enterprises through company incorporation and business registration processes in the Philippines. InCorp has been a member of ECCP since 2011.

Present in the meeting were (from L-R) Gen Anaquita-Gatan, ECCP Associate Director for Strategic Partnerships & Communications; Sherwin Urbano, Head of Business Growth; Canela Ysabel Reillo, ECCP Member Relations Associate; Samantha Denise Ferrer, ECCP Marketing Officer; and Orlymae Vinculado, Business Development Officer.



### ECCP and Cathay Pacific Explore Opportunities for Collaborationa 17 July 2024

The ECCP recently paid a courtesy visit to Cathay Pacific on 17 July 2024 to discuss potential avenues for collaboration, highlighting ECCP's commitment to developing connections that promote business growth and collaboration, especially in the aviation sector.

Established in 1946, Cathay Pacific Airways is Hong Kong's flag carrier, providing passenger and cargo services to around 200 cities in Asia, Europe, North America, Africa, and Australia. Cathay Pacific has been a member of ECCP since 2013.

Present in the meeting were (from L-R) Gen Anaquita-Gatan, ECCP Associate Director for Strategic Partnerships & Communications; Vishnu Rajendan, Country Manager-Philippines; Canela Reillo, ECCP Member Relations Associate; and Chinkee Bayaborda, Head of Sales, Customer and Commercial

### Water Challenge Forum 2024 17 July 2024

On July 17, the European Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines, together with its Environment and Water Committee, organized a forum aiming to gain insight into the water sector's current landscape as well as the proposed plans, regulations, and frameworks to realize a water-secured Philippines.

With the theme, "Flowing Forward: Harmonizing Efforts for Water Security," the forum featured discussions underscoring the pressing water challenges in the country and government priorities to address them, including the establishment of the Department of Water Resources.

Esteemed speakers and panelists included Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) Undersecretary Dr. Carlos Primo David, National Economic and Development Authority Assistant Secretary Roderick Planta, Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical and Astronomical Services



Administration (DOST-PAGASA) Assistant Weather Services Chief Ms. Ana Liza S. Solis, and Manila Water Company Enterprise Regulatory Affairs Director Atty. Jo Kristine Celera.

Also joining the program as the session moderator was Mr. Christopher Ilagan, Chair of the Global Water Partnership- Southeast Asia. The event was hosted by Mr. Francis Macatulad, Project Director of Asia Society for Social Improvement and Sustainable Transformation for Social Improvement and Sustainable Transformation (ASSIST).

### Source Fashion 2024 17 July 2024

Ambassador Teodoro L. Locsin Jr.'s graced the Source Fashion 2024 held last 17 July 2024. Highlighting the commitment to positioning the Philippines as a significant player in the global sustainable fashion arena. The ECCP led this effort to launch the Philippines as a focal arena for sustainable fashion in Asia, under the Race to Net Zero Philippines initiative aligned with the United Nations' Race to Zero global campaign.

The Chamber is honored to have Ambassador Locsin's insights and endorsement of this initiative believing strongly that the Philippines is ready to lead as a sustainable fashion hub in Asia. The ECCP is proud of the local brands that are embracing this challenge and paving the way for growth!

Also extending our appreciation to all our proud Filipino brands and exhibitors- BAYO Atelier, Bayo Foundation, Creative Definitions, ANTHILL Fabric Gallery, Hibla PH, Kinabuhi, PAMMÉ, Kenro Boutique, and Liwayway-for the exceptional representation of Filipino culture.







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### Leadership and Management Skills for Supervisors 23 July 2024

Held last 23 July 2024, the ECCP Competency Hub's e-Learning session on "Leadership and Management Skills for Supervisors" virtual training was a remarkable success. Attendees learned and mastered the qualities, roles, and responsibilities of the supervisor geared towards the attainment of organizational goals.

Participants also immersed themselves in developing their proficiency on effective supervision, aimed at driving organizational success with precision.



# Post-State of the Nation Address Briefing 24 July 2024

On July 24, the ECCP and Asia Group Advisors (AGA) Philippines hosted a virtual briefing to delve into the key points of President Bongbong Marcos' third State of the Nation Address (SONA) This comprehensive event aimed to provide a clear summary of the major themes, priorities, and announcements made by the Philippine government.

This event covered exchanges on the potential implications of the SONA on the business landscape, regulatory environment, and investment opportunities within the Philippines. It also featured an interactive Q&A session on specific industry concerns, as well as delved further into the economic prospects and priorities of the government.

Speakers at this event were Mr. Ricky Carandang, Senior Advisor of the Asia Group Advisors Philippines, and Mr. Aris Dacanay, ASEAN Economist at HSBC. The session was moderated by Atty. Stephanie Denise Dos Santos, Associate at Quisumbing Torres. Post-State of the Nation Address Briefing 24 July 2024 • 10:00 AM - 12:00 NN • ZOOM



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### Nutrition Forum 2024 30 July 2024

On 30 July, the ECCP, along with its Food and Beverage Committee, organized its third run of the Nutrition Forum to further underscore the role of nutrition in promoting sustainable socio-economic development. With the theme "Investing in Nutrition: Foundations for a Thriving and Healthy Future," this event had two sessions highlighting policies aimed at eradicating malnutrition and key initiatives of relevant stakeholders at the grassroots level.

The forum hosted esteemed speakers and panelists including Department of Health-National Nutrition Council Assistant Secretary and Executive Director Dr. Azucena Dayanghirang, Department of Science and Technology Secretary Renato Solidum Jr., Food and Drug Administration Regulation Officer Ms. Givinia Tuason, National Anti-Poverty Commission Secretary Lope Santos III, Department of Social Welfare and Development Assistant Secretary Baldr Bringas, City of Muntinlupa Mayor Ruffy Biazon, Mondelez International Nutrition Strategy and Communications Senior Manager Pei Gee Chew, and Reach Out Feed the Philippines Founder Dawn Cabigon.

ECCP Food and Beverage Committee Chair Helen Grace Baisa joined the program as panel moderator for both sessions. The event was hosted by Mondelez Philippines Inc. Corporate and Government Affairs Lead Caitlin Punzalan.

To join or inquire about the ECCP Food and Beverage Committee, please contact advocacy@eccp.com

### ECCP Courtesy visit to Beauchem Thermtech Group, Inc. 31 July 2024

The ECCP paid a courtesy visit to Beauchem Thermtech Group, Inc. on 31 July 2024 as part of the Chamber's initiative to meet and discuss potential partnerships with its members. The company has been a member of ECCP for over 27 years.

Beauchem Thermtech Group, Inc. specializes in combustion and environmental engineering and provides solutions through process automation and systems improvement. Beautherm also has environmental management technologies designed to comply with the environmental laws of the Philippines.

Also present in the meeting were (from L-R) Canela Reillo, ECCP Member Relations Associate; Ms. Gen Anaquita-Gatan, ECCP Associate Director for Strategic Partnerships & Communications; Ma. Theresa T. Martinez; and Christian Martinez, Beauchem Thermtech Managing Director.

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# Inside ECCP: Cebu

Food Fraud & Food Defense: A Practical Guide on How to Assure Food Authenticity and Safety Inhouse Training with All Natural Coco Products, Inc. 5 - 6 June 2024

The European Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines - Cebu (ECCP Cebu) hosted a successful two-day training program on Food Fraud & Food Defense: A Practical Guide on How to Assure Food Authenticity and Safety last June 5-6, 2024. Designed for food safety professionals, the program provided participants with comprehensive knowledge of these crucial areas through expert-led discussions by Dr. Sheila Rose Gatchalian. This initiative focused on strengthening food safety measures by raising awareness of food fraud vulnerabilities and bolstering food defense strategies. By equipping food safety team members with the necessary skills to mitigate fraud risks and implement robust protocols, the ECCP Cebu directly contributes to a more secure and sustainable food supply chain.



### ECCP Cebu Discusses Potential Partnership With Dumaguete Coconut Mills, Inc. 7 June 2024

The European Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines (ECCP) Cebu recently convened with senior management of Dumaguete Coconut Mills (DUCOM), Inc. at the DUCOM facility in Bacong, Negros Oriental. The purpose of the meeting was to explore potential areas of collaboration that align with both ECCP and DUCOM's commitment to fostering sustainable economic growth and development within the Visayas region. Discussions centered on shared values and a collective vision for the future, with a focus on identifying new initiatives and programs that will contribute to achieving these shared goals of sustainability.



### ECCP Cebu Holds Meeting With Salaya Beach Houses 7 June 2024

On June 7, 2024, The European Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines (ECCP) Cebu met with Mr. Marc Van Der Poel, General Manager of Salaya Beach Houses. The meeting took place at Salaya's luxurious beachfront resort in Dauin, Negros Oriental.

The primary focus of the meeting was to introduce the ECCP's initiatives in the tourism industry. This collaboration aims to promote the Philippines' worldclass tourism destinations and diving spots, with a particular focus on Dauin, Negros Island Region. Both parties acknowledged the importance of showcasing the region's tourism potential. This shared vision creates exciting possibilities for future cooperation.

### ECCP Cebu Pays Visit To Hotel Dumaguete 10 June 2024

In a productive meeting between the Cebu Branch of the European Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines (ECCP) and Hotel Dumaguete's Officer-in-Charge Robert Ojales, both parties reaffirmed their unwavering commitment to environmental sustainability within the tourism industry of Dumaguete City (formerly part of the Central Visayas region). The discussions centered on forging a collaborative partnership that leverages ECCP Cebu's extensive network and resources to support Hotel Dumaguete's eco-friendly practices and initiatives. This strategic alliance aims to elevate the significance of sustainable development within the region's hospitality sector, offering Hotel Dumaguete valuable membership benefits and tailored service opportunities.

### ECCP Cebu Courtesy Visit to Foundation University 10 June 2024

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### Asian College visited by ECCP Cebu 10 June 2024

In a productive meeting, the European Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines (ECCP) Cebu engaged with Dr. James Christopher Layag, Vice President for Academic Affairs of Asian College. The discussion centered on establishing collaborative initiatives that would enrich both parties. Highlighting the importance of aligning academic programs with industry requirements, the ECCP Cebu delegation emphasized their commitment to preparing future graduates for the workforce and fostering the growth of the Visayas, particularly Dumaguete's business landscape. Additionally, they presented their recent achievements and upcoming projects aimed at solidifying the bridge between Dumaguete's educational institutions and the business sector.

### **ECCP Establishes Dialogue With Raw** Brown Sugar Milling Co. Inc, 10 June 2024

The European Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines (ECCP) Cebu branch recently held a productive meeting with Raw Brown Sugar Milling Co. Inc. During the meeting, ECCP Cebu Branch Officer Jillian Sitchon discussed the chamber's services, upcoming events, and its dedication to fostering economic growth and positive trade relations between European and Philippine businesses. The discussion concluded with the promising possibility of collaboration between a Spanish member company of the ECCP and Raw Brown Sugar Milling Corp in the area of renewable energy production.

### **ECCP Cebu Strengthens Business Ties in Negros Oriental** 10 June 2024

The ECCP Cebu, represented by its Branch Officer Ms. Jillian Sitchon paid a courtesy visit to the Negros Oriental Chamber of Commerce and Industry (NOCCI) last June 10, 2024, meeting with NOCCI President Edward Du and Executive Director Mr. John Jalandoni.

The visit focused on fostering collaboration to enhance the business environment in Negros Oriental. Discussions centered on mutual growth, sharing best practices, and promoting a more inclusive and dynamic economic landscape for European and local businesses within the region.









The ECCP Cebu delegation also presented their ongoing initiatives and upcoming projects designed to drive regional economic development.



### **ECCP Cebu Fosters Collaboration with** Silliman University 10 June 2024

ECCP Cebu, represented by ECCP Cebu Branch Officer Jillian Sitchon conducted a productive visit to Silliman University on 10 June 2024, engaging with key representatives including Atty. Ebenezer Lim (Chief Finance Officer), Asst. Prof. Marivic Diano (Entrepreneurship Department Chairperson, College of Business Administration), Dr. Mae Brigit benefits for both the academic community and the Villordon (Dean, College of Arts and Sciences), Visayas business sector. Furthermore, the ECCP Cebu Dr. Chuchi Montenegro (Director, Information and provided insights into their ongoing advocacy efforts Communications Technology), and Ms. Glynnis Casiño and outlined future plans designed to support and (Officer-in-Charge, Strategic Partnerships). accelerate regional economic development.

Discussions centered on establishing collaborative This visit underscores ECCP Cebu's commitment to pathways to strengthen linkages between academia fostering a dynamic and collaborative environment and industry, with a focus on fostering innovation and that bridges the gap between academe and industry, promoting entrepreneurial endeavors. The potential ultimately contributing to a more robust and innovative for joint projects, research initiatives, and strategic Visayas business landscape. partnerships was explored, aiming to deliver mutual

### Alignment Meeting With Cebu Access Point Logistics Inc. 14 June 2024

In a recent productive meeting, the European Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines (ECCP) Cebu branch engaged with Cebu Access Point Logistics Inc. President Jay-R Tandas and Vice President Adelaine Cantiga. The discussion centered on potential collaborative opportunities, leveraging Cebu Access Point Logistics' European network and industry expertise. The dialogue also highlighted their commitment to sustainability through their recent partnership with ECCP Cebu at the Iloilo City Eco-Librium event on June 19th. Furthermore, the ECCP presented its valuable member services and events, generating interest from Cebu Access Point Logistics Inc. in joining the Chamber.

### ECCP Cebu Meets With Industry Leaders At PHIL CONSTRUCT Visayas 20 June 2024

Associates from the ECCP Cebu Branch went to Waterfront Cebu City Hotel & Casino to visit PHIL CONSTRUCT Visayas, the annual trade show showcasing the newest technologies and products of the construction industry. The ECCP connected with leaders and experts from different firms and sectors, seeking to widen the Chamber's network and find new ways of collaboration. The ECCP also emphasized its role in connecting Filipino businesses to international trade shows, showcasing their products abroad.

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### ECCP Cebu held its first Community Connect for the year 27 June 2024

ECCP Cebu Community Connect was held on June 27, 2024, from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM at The Glass House, IPI Center by Rockwell in Cebu City. This exclusive event for ECCP members offered a unique opportunity to create meaningful interactions and build relationships between current and new members. The participants were able to gather valuable insights into ECCP's benefits, updates on upcoming events, and tips on maximizing your membership. Furthermore, they were engaged in networking opportunities, sharing experiences, and exploring potential collaborations before the night ended.



### Nurturing Transformative Change in Philanthropy Focusing on Thought Leadership and Social Responsibility Forum with SRG and AVPN 1-2 July 2024

From July 1-2, 2024, the European Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines (ECCP) Cebu, in collaboration with Spring Rain Global and the Asian Venture Philanthropy Network, hosted the forum "Nurturing Transformative Change in Philanthropy: Focusing on Thought Leadership and Social Responsibility" at the Cebu Parklane International Hotel.

This transformative event featured prominent speakers and dynamic discussions, delving into various facets of corporate social responsibility. Participants gained invaluable insights and strategies to drive sustainability and impactful change. Attendees engaged in meaningful dialogue, expanded their



knowledge, and forged connections that will propel future initiatives.

A highlight of the forum was the soft launch of our "Race to Net Zero" campaign, an ambitious initiative aimed at accelerating the transition to a sustainable, low-carbon future. This campaign underscores our commitment to environmental stewardship and the urgent need for collaborative action against climate change.

# USC Political Science Department had a courtesy visit to the ECCP Cebu Office 17 July 2024

The European Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines Cebu Branch was recently visited by the University of San Carlos - Political Science Department represented by Mr. Rejene T. Lakibul.

Mr. Lakibul visited the branch to check upon the third year USC Political Science students who were completing their summer practicum with the ECCP Cebu Branch as their host training establishment.

completing their summer practicum with the ECCP Cebu Branch as their host training establishment. The discussion also highlighted potential areas for further collaboration, ensuring that the practicum program continues to offer valuable real-world experience to the students while supporting the

### DOHE invited ECCP Cebu for their All Aboard Startup Cebu Mixer! 17 July 2024

On July 17, 2024, at Enspace Cebu Business Park, ECCP Cebu participated in the "All Aboard! Startup Cebu Mixer" hosted by DOHE. The event aimed to foster a vibrant community where startups can network and collaborate.

This event highlighted startups in the innovation sector, allowing them to share their business insights. Key speakers from DOHE and the technology field provided valuable insights and facilitated open discussions. Celebrating its 2nd anniversary, DOHE expressed gratitude to its partners.

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### ECCP Cebu had a courtesy visit to the Cebu office of UHY ML Aquirre CPAs & Co. 19 July 2024

The ECCP Cebu Branch recently had the pleasure of paying a courtesy visit to UHY ML Aquirre CPAs & Co. at their new office in Regus, AppleOne Tower. During this productive meeting, ECCP representatives had the opportunity to engage with Mr. Michael Aquirre to discuss exciting plans for their upcoming event in Cebu. This event will feature a showcase of the innovative Babylon AI app, designed to revolutionize the way businesses and accountants manage their operations. The Babylon AI app promises to bring enhanced efficiency and streamlined processes to the accounting industry. We are eagerly looking forward to this collaboration and the positive impact it will have on the business community. Stay tuned for more updates and event details!



### HURIS had a courtesy visit to the ECCP **Cebu Office** 22 July 2024

The ECCP Cebu Branch recently met with Mr. Anton Narciso B. Caedo, Senior Business Analyst of Huris, last July 22, 2024 at the Regus Office. This meeting focused on collaborating with Huris, a Human Resource Innovations and Solutions, Inc.

The meeting highlighted that Huris is interested to collaborate with ECCP Cebu for the upcoming training regarding HR and Innovations. They are also exploring businesses outside Metro Manila, specifically Cebu.

We hope that this venture would pave the way for a better future for HR solutions in the Chamber.



# Inside ECCP: CDO

### The City of Waterfalls: Go Right and Invest in Iligan City 24 June 2024

June 24, 2024 – The City of Waterfalls: Go Right and Invest in Iligan City virtual forum was conducted in partnership with ECCP Northern Mindanao member Iligan City Local Government Unit.

With speakers from the City Government of Iligan including Mayor Frederick Siao, the virtual event served as a venue to discuss what the City has to offer, the ease of doing business in lligan, its awards and recognitions recently received, its development plans, among others. The platform was also shared by great speakers from the industry and public sector, Mr. Roman Menz, CEO of Republic Cement and Vice President of ECCP and Mindanao Development Authority (MinDA) Secretary Leo Tereso Magno.

The Q&A was moderated by ECCP NMBC Chairman Mr. Ralph Paguio and it sure was a platform for a fruitful exchange among the audience and the panelists/ speakers. Closed by Iligan Chamber President Ms. Reggie Punongbayan, the virtual event ended gracefully with 70 attendees.

### Sunset Jazz: A Networking Socials 28 June 2024

June 28, 2024 - An incredible evening was concluded with the members and guests of ECCP in the Sunset Jazz Socials held at the Korum Lounge, Cagayan de Oro City. The attendees had a great downtime on a relaxing Friday evening along with a bottomless beers, jazz music and networking. The event allowed the participants to engage, network, and build rapport to a more collaborative future for industry partnerships. Gratitude to our sponsors and partners for the support; Bronze Partners: Converge ICT Solutions, Inc. and Office of the Vice Mayor of Cagayan de Oro City, Beverage Partners: Radeberger, Schofferhofer and San Miguel Beer, and Coverage Partner: Joseeds Creatives.

Thank you to everyone who joined the intimate group filled with music, endless mingles and formed connections.

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### Behavior-Based Safety Training 4 - 5 July 2024

The ECCP Northern Mindanao organized the second public run of the Competency Hub program on Behavior-Based Safety in partnership with Northern Mindanao member, J3 Trainers and Consultants, Inc. The 2-day e-learning session, attended by safety practitioners from various industries, was facilitated by Engr. Rene Alvarado, MBA. This program is also open to be conducted in-house, either face-to-face or virtual.



# Inside ECCP: Davao

**ECCP Davao Membership Visits and** Meetings 11 June 2024

ECCP Davao paid a visit to Constantin Design and Build last June 11. The meeting shared updates on the Chamber's activities and discussed intersections for collaboration, particularly on infrastructure development. Constantin Design & Build is one of ECCP Davao's long-standing members known to design and execute residential, commercial, and industrial projects. On the same day, Mr. Gray Goodwin visited the BAEP CRESCENT Project Office to discuss potential involvement of Marine Algae Products with the ongoing project. Both parties are looking forward to planning site visits in the BaSulTa provinces of the BARMM. Present in the meeting were ECCP SMBC Chairman Mr. Tony Peralta and ECCP Branch Officer Sam Gura.

### 2nd Southern Mindanao Business Council Meeting 11 June 2024

The 2nd Southern Mindanao Business Council meeting, held at Assumption College of Davao, was hailed as a resounding success last June 2. Running from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM, the event fostered meaningful networking opportunities and provided deep insights into the region's economic landscape. The meeting commenced with preliminaries led by Ms. Sam Gura, followed by welcome remarks from Sr. Elvira D. Soleminio. Mr. Antonio Peralta, Chairman of ECCP SMBC, shared updates on ECCP Davao and its advocacy initiatives, setting the stage for the day's discussions. A highlight of the event was the presentation by Ms. Ivy Caballes, Regional Manager of Save The Children Philippines, who spoke on reinforcing a more inclusive workplace. Her discussion highlighted the significant benefits of inclusivity for organizational growth and employee well-being, resonating deeply with the attendees.

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Mr. Peralta then moderated an engaging session on business and industry updates, providing a platform for participants to share insights and strategies. The meeting concluded with closing remarks from Mr. Mike Grogan, CEO of Kaizen Leadership Asia, who emphasized the importance of continued collaboration and sustainable business practices. A preview of upcoming ECCP events, a photo opportunity, and a networking session wrapped up the event, leaving attendees optimistic about the future.

### ECCP Davao and Members attend Transcend Summit by Eastern Communications 25 June 2024

The ECCP Davao was honored to speak during Eastern Communication's first leg of Transcend 2024: Forging the Future of Business last June 25, 2024, at Acacia Hotel Davao. Delivered by SMBC Chairman Peralta, members and other industry leaders like Sophos, and DCIPC were present to share their expertise, insights, and inspiration in tech and business. As Davao's business landscape is thriving, displaying an immense potential for growth and innovation. The summit also discussed integrating advanced technology solutions which businesses in Davao can streamline operations, enhance productivity, and stay competitive in a rapidly evolving market.

### ECCP joins DCIPC Davao Stakeholders Meeting 27 June 2024

The Davao City Investment Promotion Center (DCIPC), in partnership with Punongbayan and Araullo, conducted a Stakeholders Consultation/Focus Group Discussion on June 27, 2024 at the DCIPC office. Wellattended by representatives of the private sector such as ECCP, DCCCII and CREBA, the meeting aimed to gather insights to aid in amending the Davao City Investment Incentive Code ordinance.

### ECCP attends "What's Next for Mindanao?" Outlook by Palafox 3 July 2024

The ECCP Davao celebrated with Palafox Associates in its 35th Anniversary Celebration last July 3 at the Palafox Davao HQ, Pryce Tower. With the theme: "What's Next for Mindanao?" The event gathered media and industry stakeholders, who collectively expressed their admiration of the firm's visionary advocacy, "Philippines 2050: A First-World Country, A First-World Economy." Headed by Arch. Jun Palafox, this ambition is to engage various sectors including the government, private sector, environmental advocates, civil society, and the Filipino people, to position the Philippines as a competitive nation with a robust economy. This transformative blueprint aims to set the country on a path towards becoming a first-world nation by midcentury, reflecting Palafox Associates' commitment to bold and sustainable urban planning and development.



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### ECCP meeting on BAEP-CRESCENT with PCCI and PBSP 17 July 2024

On July 17, the BAEP CRESCENT Project represented by Mr. Tony Peralta and Ms. Sam Gura met with Members of the PBSP Mindanao Regional Committee to discuss possible collaboration in facilitating business sector engagement in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM). Among the issues discussed include the priority concerns of the MSMEs and investors. Present in the meeting were MinCom Chairman Miguel Rene A. Dominguez (Vice President of Alsons Agribusiness Unit, Director of Sarangani Agricultural Company, Inc.), Mr. Manuel Andres Boniao (President, Bali Oil Palm Produce and Peoples Agri Service & Supply, Inc.), Mr. Arthur C. Uy (President, My Hotel), Mr. Edgar Bullecer (Co- Founder and Managing Trustee, Raintrust Paglas Group), Mr. Fermin Edillon (Head of the Reputation Enhancement Department, Davao Light & Power Inc.).

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# Inside ECCP: Iloilo



# **Breaking Barriers: Empowering Women and** Young Professionals in Business Leadership

On July 31, 2024, we had the privilege of hosting a journeys, shedding light on the challenges they faced landmark event, "Breaking Barriers: Empowering Women and Young Professionals in Business Leadership" at Regus Center Iloilo. This inspiring session brought together a vibrant mix of young professionals and accomplished women in business, all united by a shared commitment to fostering growth and innovation in the corporate world.



and the strategies they employed to overcome them.

These narratives served as a source of motivation,

highlighting that with the right support and resources,

there are no limits to what can be achieved.



The event underscored the critical role women and young professionals play in driving innovation and growth. Their fresh perspectives, coupled with their determination and resilience, are essential to the success of modern businesses. However, to fully harness this potential, it is imperative to create an environment that supports and empowers them.

Throughout the session, attendees were immersed in a series of insightful discussions, and networking opportunities designed to empower and inspire. Renowned industry leaders and speakers shared their

A key theme of the event was the importance of creating inclusive workplaces where diversity is not only accepted but celebrated. Participants explored practical ways to advocate for gender equality and inclusivity within their organizations. This included actionable strategies for mentorship, career development, and building supportive networks that can help break down the barriers often faced by women and young professionals in the business world.

The resounding success of the event is a testament to the growing recognition of the importance of diversity and inclusion in the workplace. By empowering women and young professionals, we are not only strengthening individual careers but also building a more robust and innovative business landscape.



### Meeting with Mr. Pascal Kerneis of the **European Services Forum** 7 June 2024

During his visit to Brussels for the European Business Organisation Worldwide Network (EBOWN) annual meeting, ECCP Executive Director, Mr. Florian Gottein, met with Mr. Pascal Kerneis of the European Services Forum on 07 June. At the said meeting, Mr. Gottein and Mr. Kerneis had a discussion on the EU-PH Free Trade Agreement, as well as the importance of the services sector. Mr. Gottein likewise handed over a copy of the ECCP 2024 Advocacy Papers to Mr. Kerneis.

More on the EBOWN annual meeting: https:// www.linkedin.com/posts/eccponline\_ chamberofchoice-brighterpossibilities-activity-7205750632325029888-\_0vX

### ECCP and DOTr Courtesy Meeting to the German Ambassador 11 June 2024

On 11 June, the ECCP, together with Department of Transportation (DOTr) Undersecretary for Aviation and Airports, Hon. Bobby Lim, met with German Ambassador to the Philippines, Dr. Andreas Michael Pfaffernoschke. This meeting provided a platform for an exchange between the ECCP and its Aviation Committee, the DOTr, and the German Embassy on Representative to the Philippines and ECCP Director; areas for collaboration between the Philippines and Atty. Manolito Manalo, OMLAW Managing Partner Germany in the aviation sector. At the said meeting, the and ECCP Aviation Committee Co-Chairperson. ECCP Aviation Committee likewise had an opportunity Also present were Ms. Katharina Bandelow, German to talk about its policy advocacy recommendations, Embassy Economic and Commercial Officer; Mr. including those on airport infrastructure, incentives Maximilian Motschmann, AsBAA Vice Chairman; for industry players, aviation safety systems, and Mr. Junard Cruz, DOTr Consultant; and Ms. Katrina sustainability efforts in the aviation sector, among Baligod, ECCP Manager for Industry and Government others. Affairs.

In attendance from the ECCP were Mr. Paulo Duarte, ECCP President; Mr. Florian Gottein, ECCP Executive Director; Mr. Jussi Hoikka, Airbus Chief

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### ECCP Environment and Water Committee Meeting 11 June 2024

The ECCP Environment and Water Committee convened last 11 June at the ECCP Office in Makati City, with some Davao-based committee members dialing in via Zoom. During the meeting, the members discussed the Advocacy Recommendations presented within the ECCP Advocacy Papers 2024. The committee also discussed notable developments within the industry such as updates on the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Law.

The group also discussed the Committee's upcoming events namely, the ECCP Information Session on Government Initiatives to Combat Plastic Waste and the Water Challenge Forum happening on 20 June and 17 July, respectively.

To join or inquire about the ECCP Environment and Water Committee, please contact advocacy@eccp.com.

### ARTA Launching of Executive Order No. 59 (s. 2024) and Ceremonial Signing of its Implementing Guidelines 18 June 2024

The ECCP took part in the launch of Executive Order No. 59, s. 2024 on Streamlining The Permitting Process For Infrastructure Flagship Projects (IFPs), and Ceremonial Signing of its Implementing Guidelines co-organized by the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) and the Anti-Red Tape Authority (ARTA) last 18 June 2024 at the Philippine International Convention Center, Pasay City. Representing the Chamber was Associate Director for Government and International Affairs Sophia Ordoña.

### Arangkada Second Roundtable Discussion on Philippine Airport Infrastructure 18 June 2024

Represented by Aviation Committee Co-Chairpersons Atty. Mannix Manalo and Ms. Lourdes Cariño-Angeles, aswellasCommittee Member Mr. MaxMotschmann, the ECCP took part in the Arangkada Second Roundtable Discussion (RTD) on Philippine Airport Infrastructure on 18 June 2024 at the Robert Sears Hall, AmCham Philippines. At the RTD, the group discussed the state of Philippine airport infrastructure as well as policy recommendations to address persisting institutional issues in the Philippine aviation sector, among others.

# Environment and Water Committee Meeting 11 June 2024 • 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM • ECCP Office and Zoom









### ECCP Information Session on Government Initiatives to Combat Plastic Waste 20 June 2024

The European Chamber of Commerce of the Philippines hosted an insightful information session on stakeholders' sustainability initiatives at Spaces, BGC. The event featured discussions on the latest government efforts to combat plastic waste and related strategies involving multi-sectoral collaboration, with focus on the implementation of the Extended Producer Responsibility Law.

Esteemed speakers and panellists from both the public and private sectors from the Department of Finance, DENR-Environmental Management Bureau, Philippine Alliance for Recycling and Materials Sustainability, SGV, Holcim Philippines, Nestle Philippines, and Coca-Cola Beverages Philippines

### **ECCP Human Capital Committee Meeting** 20 June 2024

On 20 June, the ECCP Human Capital Committee gathered for a committee meeting at the Quisumbing Torres office in Taguig City. At this meeting, the members received a presentation from Mr. Sherwin Urbano, Head of Business Growth Department at In.Corp Corporate Services Philippines, Inc, on HR Compliance and Fundamentals. In his presentation, Mr. Urbano covered reportorial requirements, tax annualization, and recruitment trends, among others. After the presentation, the committee members also had an exchange on industry developments and recommendations.

To join or inquire about the ECCP Human Capital Committee, please contact advocacy@eccp.com.

### Senate Technical Working Group Meeting on CREATE MORE 21 June 2024

Atty. Alden Labaguis, Vice Chairperson of the ECCP Tax and Financial Services Committee, represented the Chamber at the Senate Technical Working Group Meeting on the CREATE MORE Bill held in a face-toface format last 21 June, at the Senate Office. As part of this meeting, the Joint Foreign Chambers, which the ECCP is a member of, presented its position/ recommendations on the proposed measure.

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contributed to this platform by exchanging important and timely insights on shaping a sustainable future for all.



### Achieving Food Security: Advancing Investments for Agricultural Sustainability 24 June 2024

On 24 June, the ECCP attended a policy forum organized by PHINMA Corporation, in partnership with Stratbase ADR Institute and Makati Business Club, on advancing food security in the Philippines. The event featured speakers from both the private and public sectors, each of whom highlighted key policies and projects to bolster the country's food security alongside the benefits of investing in agricultural infrastructure and cold storage solutions.



### Tax and Financial Services Committee Meeting 27 June 2024

On 27 June, the ECCP Tax and Financial Services Committee Members convened for its third regular committee meeting for the year. At this meeting, the committee members exchanged updates and insights on tax- and finance-related policies. Among which include CREATE MORE, PIFITA, and Ease of Paying Taxes. Industry-specific tax developments were also covered at the meeting. Likewise, the ECCP provided summaries of recent engagements with Senator Sherwin Gatchalian (Senate Ways and Means Committee), Department of Finance, and the Bureau of Internal Revenue.

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### Joint Briefing on Anti-Red Tape Authority (ARTA)-Department of Health (DOH)-Food and Drug Administration (FDA)'s Initiatives on Medical Drug and Device Manufacturers 1 July 2024

The ECCP Healthcare Committee was represented at the Joint Briefing on Anti-Red Tape Authority (ARTA)-Department of Health (DOH)-Food and Drug Administration (FDA)'s Initiatives on Medical Drug and Device Manufacturers, held at Novotel Manila on 01 July 2024. The said briefing, which was joined by key representatives from ARTA, DOH, FDA, as well as the Office of Secretary Frederick Go (Special Assistant to the President for Investment and Economic Affairs), provided updates on the government's achievements and plans in streamlining processes and improving ease of doing business in the healthcare sector, in particular, the medical devices sub-sector.

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The Chamber was represented by Mr. Eric Sajor III, ECCP Director and Sanofi Philippines Head of Corporate Affairs, and Ms. Jovita S. Parado, RPh, Roche Pharma Regulatory Affairs & Quality Assurance Manager.

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### DTI Launch of the National Al Strategy Roadmap 2.0 and CAIR 3 July 2024

The ECCP was represented at the Launch of the National AI Strategy Roadmap 2.0 and the Center for AI Research (CAIR), organized by the Department of Trade and Industry, last 03 July 2024. Mr. Paulo Duarte, ECCP President and Bosch Philippines Managing Director expressed his support to this initiative via a video message, citing shared goals towards unlocking economic opportunities, as well as emphasizing the industry's commitment to continue collaborating with the Philippine government.

# ECCP Food and Beverage Committee Meeting

4 July 2024

On 04 July, the ECCP Food and Beverage Committee convened for a committee meeting at the ECCP Office in Makati City. During the meeting, the committee members discussed salient points regarding the Philippine Nutrient Profile Model as well as several pressing industry concerns raised by the body such as undue regulatory burdens faced in several bureaus/ government agencies.

Moreover, the ECCP also shared updates on recent and upcoming engagements including the FDA Industry Kapihan Session held last 15 April, the ECCP's position paper on the latest version of the Philippine Nutrient Profile Model submitted to the DOH-Nutrition Council

### **5th Customs Industry Council and Advisory Council (CICAC) Meeting** 5 July 2024

The ECCP was represented by its Customs and Logistics Committee Chairperson, Mr. Michael Raeuber, at the Fourth Customs Industry Consultative and Advisory Council Meeting last 05 July. This meeting served as a platform for public and private stakeholders to gather and exchange pertinent developments on customs-related matters.

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To join or inquire about the ECCP Food and Beverage Committee, please contact advocacy@eccp.com.



### Women in Business Committee Gathering 11 July 2024

Last July 11, the ECCP held a Women in Business Committee Gathering at the Fullerton Health Clinic BGC in Taguig City. The committee members were able to discuss recommendations and priority topics that they would like to be tackled at future engagements. The ECCP also shared updates on recent and upcoming activities such as the Wellness Month Event happening on 20 August 2024 which will focus on women's mental, physical, and financial wellness. Further, the gathering also had a short networking portion in the program to allow the attendees to get to know each other over some snacks and refreshments.

### **ECCP RE&EE Committee Meeting with DOE Asec. Capongcol** 12 July 2024

On 12 July, the ECCP Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Committee had a virtual meeting with Assistant Secretary Mylene Capongcol of the Department of Energy - Renewable Energy Management Bureau. The group had a productive discussion on energy sector updates and developments, particularly the Philippine government's energy policy and program priorities.

### Bureau of Customs Grand Launching of the ATA Carnet System 15 July 2024

The ECCP attended the Grand Launching of the ATA Carnet System last 15 July 2024. ATA Carnet, also known as passport for goods, is an internationally accepted customs document to temporarily import and export goods into over 80 carnet countries and territories, allowing cross-border movement of goods duty- and tax-free. In the Philippines, the ATA Carnet System will be implemented on 15 July 2024 for the following: 1) commercial samples; 2) professional equipment; 3) and good for display at exhibitions, fairs, and meetings.

The Philippines is the 81st country to implement the ATA Carnet. This shall expand opportunities for industries and further facilitate cross-border trade and investments. The Philippine Chamber of Commerce (PCCI) is the duly authorized National Carnet across the Philippines.





### Women in Business Committee Gathering

11 July 2024 • 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM • Fullerton Health BGC



Issuing and Guaranteeing Association (NIGA) in the Philippines. Carnet validity shall not exceed one (1) year from the effective date of the security furnished to PCCI.

During the event, the BOC also officially signed a Customs Memorandum Order, implementing the ATA

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### ECCP Healthcare Committee Meeting 17 July 2024

Last 17 July, the ECCP Healthcare Committee convened for a regular committee meeting at the ECCP office. During the meeting, the group had a productive discussion on suggested approaches and next steps regarding the industry's advocacy recommendations relating to procurement and health technology assessment, among other pertinent matters. The members also had an exchange on their recent initiatives and opportunities to collaborate in several sector initiatives.

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### ECCP President attended the State of the Nation Address (SONA) 22 July 2024

ECCP President, Mr. Paulo Duarte, attended the State of the Nation Address (SONA) of President Ferdinand Marcos Jr. on 22 July 2024. At the SONA, President Marcos Jr. tackled the topics boosting the agriculture sector, advancing environmental protection and the fight against climate change, promoting industry growth, accelerating infrastructure development and digital transformation, advancing human capital development, promoting job generation, and ensuring social welfare.

"The Chamber recognizes the administration's commitment to fostering a robust economic environment through significant reforms and initiatives. The implementation of green lanes and the modernization of government procurement processes are substantial strides towards enhancing the ease of doing business in the Philippines. We also appreciate the emphasis on healthcare and education. The ECCP firmly believes that continued investment in health and education is crucial for developing human capital, which is key for sustained economic growth. Furthermore, we look forward to continuing our collaboration with the government to ensure sustainable growth and competitiveness in the region." FCCP President Paulo Duarte shares.

### Navigating EU Regulations on Sustainability and Due Diligence 24 July 2024

The ECCP, in partnership with the Royal Danish Embassy in Manila, organized a joint committee session and mini-forum last 24 July via Zoom. With the title "Navigating EU Regulations on Sustainability and Due Diligence," this event provided valuable insights regarding key EU legislative initiatives seeking to address the impacts that businesses have on the environment and on human rights throughout global value chains.

The mini-forum featured presentations by Ms. Jennifer Pham, Regional Advisor on Sustainable Value Chains of the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Mr. Michael Kurt Raeuber, Chairman & Group CEO of Royal Cargo Inc. and Co-chairperson of the ECCP Customs and Logistics Committee. The session was moderated by Ms. Gie Garcia, Co-Managing Director & Chief Sustainability Officer of NEO and Chairperson of the ECCP Sustainability Committee.

Hosting the event was Ms. Reza Dadufalza-Goyeneche, Senior Commercial Officer at the Danish







Following the SONA, the ECCP also released an official media statement. Read it here via https://www.eccp. com/articles/3081



### NAVIGATING EU REGULATIONS ON SUSTAINABILITY AND DUE DILIGENCE

24 July 2024 • 02:00 PM - 04:00 PM • ZOOM



Embassy in Manila, with a wrap-up discussion by Mr. Roderick de Castro, ESG Director of PwC Philippines. Among the ECCP committees involved include the Customs and Logistics Committee, the Environment and Water Committee, the Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Committee, and the Sustainability Committee.

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# **New Members Corner**

# **Regular Members**



### SETSCO Services Pte. Ltd.

With over 40 years of extensive experience, Setsco Services The Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung (KAS) is a political Pte Ltd is one of Singapore's largest test and inspection foundation. In Germany, 16 regional offices offer a wide companies accredited by the Singapore Accreditation variety of civic education conferences and events. As a Council - Singapore Laboratory Accreditation Scheme think-tank and consulting agency, our soundly researched (SAC-Singlas) to ISO/IEC 17025 and by SAC to ISO/IEC 17020, scientific fundamental concepts and current analyses are ISO/IEC 17065 and ISO/IEC 17021. meant to offer a basis for possible political action.

Setsco is a leading organization offering a comprehensive range of testing, calibration, inspection, certification, consultancy and training services to key markets such as Oil & Gas, Aerospace, Marine, Food, Pharmaceutical, Healthcare, Petrochemical, Electronics, Environmental, Construction, and Building & Facilities.



### **TESTEX Swiss Textile Testing Ltd.** (TESTEX Philippines Representative Office)

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back in 1846 as the 'Zurich Silk Conditioning Institute'. Today, the company employs more than 300 staff at around 30 locations worldwide.

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### Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung



### MHE-Demag (P), Inc.

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### Waysmarter Travel Corporation

Registered in 2018 w/ SEC, Waysmarter Travel Corporation provides car rental service in Metro Manila in the beginning and eventually after gaining clients w/ multinational operations.

# **Associate Members**





Marketing Services Company with focus on Retail Marketing, Brand Activation, PR, Branding, Brand Management, Marketing Campaign, Digital Marketing (SEO, PPC, HTML).



### Alpha Suites Makati

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#### **ACDI Multipurpose Cooperative**

ACDI Multipurpose Cooperative is a business organization registered under the Cooperative Development Authority (CDA) in compliance with Republic Act 9520, also known as the Philippine Cooperative Code of 2008.

As the largest cooperative in the Philippines, we take pride in serving an extensive membership base through our widespread network of offices nationwide. Our journey began as a modest credit cooperative for military pilots on October 20, 1981, with official operations commencing on May 11, 1982. Today, our services extend to active and retired personnel of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, alongside other uniformed services including the Philippine Coast Guard and the Bureau of Fire Protection. We also cater to their dependents and select regular civilian employees.



#### **Hue Hotels and Resorts**

Hotel in the heart of Puerto Princesa & Boracay Station 2.

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#### Nippon Sanso Ingasco Inc.

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### **BULAON-BULAON LAW OFFICE**

Bulaon-Bulaon Law Office is a women-led professional partnership, specializing in guiding clients through legal complexities with tailored solutions and reliable advice.

Here, trust and reliability are the corner stones of successful attorney-client relationships. It is our mission to work closely with clients, ensuring their voices are heard and objectives are met.



### Solaire Resort North

Solaire Resort North is situated on a 1.5-hectare land and is the first 5-star integrated resort in Quezon City. The property has 38 floors and offers 526 luxurious accommodations, 4 gaming levels for mass and VIPs, 14 dining options ranging from casual cafes, signature restaurants, premium bars and lounges. It also has meeting facilities with an expansive 1,800 sqm grand ballroom, a high-end gym and expansive spa, outdoor swimming pool with kids' waterpark, and indoor Kids' Club.



### GCash

Mynt is a partnership between Globe Telecom, the Ayala Corporation, and Ant Financial, that provides innovative and first-in-world fintech solutions to consumers, merchants, **Asian Consulting Group** and organizations. Its vision is to enable financial access The Asian Consulting Group is the Philippines' first Tax Hub for consumers and merchants by disrupting traditional for top corporations, SMEs, and celebrities in the Asiachannels through digital financial technology services. It Pacific region. operates two fintech companies: GCash, a micropayment service that transforms the mobile phone into a virtual Founded in 2011, ACG has helped clients with businesses in manufacturing, healthcare, agriculture, real estate, and wallet for secure, fast, and convenient money transfer, and more. Since its founding, it has helped its clients save more Fuse, a tech-based lending company that enables Filipinos than about P30 billion in tax savings. to get microloans to business loans without the traditional requirements set by banks and other lending institutions. For more information, visit https://www.mynt.xyz.



#### **PhilSurv Geodetic Services**

Philsurv first completed a survey in 2009 and has since accomplished over 3000 surveys across a wide range of services all over the Philippines and in America. Philsurv continuously strives to develop the skills and technologies to cater to the surveying needs of today and help shape the future. We take pride in being part of nation-building and community development.



### Novelle Office Furniture

NOVELLE OFFICE FURNITURE, INCORPORATED is a highly aggressive, competitive, innovative, quality-conscious, and professional office furniture and fixtures manufacturer and supplier in the Philippines, with more than fourteen (14) years of extensive experience in supplying the needs of its clients worldwide. Novelle Office Furniture, Inc. was duly registered and established on October 05, 1997, and is attained with the changing times and ever-increasing demands for widely varying styles, colors, and functional designs and has consistently delivered products of top quality and at very competitive prices. The company is in the midst of a modernization program, which will widely improve its services to meet the challenges of designing furniture for different office and home environments.





### Manila House Private Club Inc.

Manila House is a private members' club founded to promote and foster positive interaction between members of diverse backgrounds. We aim that they experience and contribute to our mission to create an environment for work and relaxation, art, culture and learning.

We hope that members and their distinguished guests come to regard Manila House as a home away for from home. We want to ensure the active engagement of our members and their families. We are committed to provide members, their families, and distinguished guests an enjoyable and enriching experience complemented by excellent cuisine and warm efficient service.



# **Foreign-Based Member**

# CORIO

#### Corio Generation Ltd

Corio Generation is a portfolio company of Macquarie Asset Management operating on a standalone basis. We have a project pipeline of around 30 GW. Our global team of offshore wind specialists take projects from origination, through development and construction, and into operations.



# **Business Opportunities**



solutions

A Finnish software solutions company specializing in unified supply chain and retail planning services is seeking to establish partnerships and have dialogues with Philippine enterprises to exploring supply chain solutions.

### Portuguese global consulting firm with expertise in Advanced Data Analytics is seeking for partners or clients

A Portugal headquartered global consulting firm with expertise in Advanced Data Analytics and AI is looking for partners and clients for operations improvement and success by using their tailor fit business solutions. They cater to various industries such as but not limited to Energy & Utilities, Telecommunications, Retail & Ecommerce, Transport & Logistics, Consumer Goods, Process Industries & Manufacturing.

### Spanish wholesale company, specializing in the global distribution of perfumes and selective cosmetics, is seeking to establish partnerships with Philippine enterprises

A Spanish wholesale company, specializing in the global distribution of perfumes and selective cosmetics, is seeking to establish partnerships with Philippine enterprises to explore business opportunities in the perfume and cosmetics market. They work with the leading brands in perfumery and cosmetics, and offer competitive pricing and personalized service to clients.

### Finnish company is looking for a supplier of animal fat oils to export from Manila/within the Philippines to Malaysia/ASEAN and in the EU

A Finnish global trailblazer in sustainable solutions and renowned as the producer of sustainable aviation fuel, renewable diesel, and innovative feedstock solutions is looking for a supplier of animal fat oils to export from Manila/within the Philippines to Malaysia/ASEAN and in the EU

If interested in becoming a partner, we would love to talk to you. Please send us an email to catherine.lee@eccp.com or visit www.eccp.com for more information. We are looking forward to hearing from you.

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### A Finnish software solutions company is seeking to establish partnerships and have dialogues with Philippine enterprises to exploring supply chain

# AUGUST

### FACE-TO-FACE TRAINING UNLOCK THE FUTURE: REGULATING THE USE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE 01 August | 02:00 PM - 04:00 PM | Dusit Thani Manila

FACE-TO-FACE TRAINING POWER OF PLAY: ADULT LEARNING REIMAGINED 08 August | 01:00 PM - 05:00 PM | Dusit Thani Manila

### FREE WEBINAR

BUILDING AND MANAGING A RESPONSIBLE AND SUSTAINABLE ENTERPRISE 12 August | 02:00 PM - 03:30 PM | ZOOM

### E-LEARNING SESSION

### BEYOND RESISTANCE: UNDERSTANDING AND ADDRESSING SYSTEMIC PATTERNS IN YOUR ORGANIZATION 13 August | 01:00 PM - 04:00 PM | ZOOM

### E-LEARNING SESSION

APPLIED NEUROSCIENCE FOR FOCUS AND CREATIVE AT WORK 16 August | 01:00 PM - 04:00 PM | ZOOM

### NETWORKING EVENT

**EUROPEAN BUSINESS & BEERS: KADAYAWAN MIXER** 16 August | 06:00 PM - 09:00 PM | Pocket Park, Davao City

### **MASCHINEN & TECHNIK 45TH ANNIVERSARY COCKTAIL RECEPTION** 16 August | 06:00 PM - 10:00 PM | Dusit Thani Manila

### **E-LEARNING SESSION**

UNDERSTANDING FINANCIAL REPORTS: ACCOUNTING FOR THE BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MODULE 19 August | 08:30 AM - 04:30 PM | ZOOM

### FACE-TO-FACE TRAINING

### SKILLS TRAINING ON ENGINEERED BAMBOO PRODUCTION 20 - 22 August | 09:00 AM - 05:00 PM | HomeBiz Crafts Bamboo Hub, Iligan City

### CULTIVATING WELLNESS FEST 20 August | 02:00 PM - 05:00 PM | Makati/BGC (TBA)

### NETWORKING EVENT

### EUROPEAN NETWORKING SOCIALS 22 August | 06:00 PM - 10:00 PM | Sheraton Manila Hotel, Pasay

### **E-LEARNING SESSION**

UNDERSTANDING FINANCIAL REPORTS: PROFITABILITY ANALYSIS 27 August | 08:30 AM - 04:30 PM | ZOOM

## **ENERGY SMART FORUM 2024**

28 August | 09:00 AM - 04:30 PM | Dusit Thani Manila

### FACE-TO-FACE TRAINING

STRATEGIC PLANNING AND MANAGEMENT 29 August | 01:00 PM - 05:00 PM | Dusit Thani Manila

# **2024 International Trade Fairs**

ANUGA SELECT JAPAN IMM COLOGNE AND ISM JAPAN Interior Design Food and Beverages 14-18 | Cologne, Germany 10-12 | Tokyo, Japan ISM COLOGNE Z Sweet & Snacks ◄ 28-31 | Cologne, Germany AND SIGEP CHINA ..... Food and Beverages 17-19 | Shenzhen, China SOURCE HOME & GIFT **IFAT BRASIL** AT SPRING FAIR Environmental Technologies Gift & Home 24-26 | Sao Paulo, Brazil NEC, Birminghamn R 4-7 | NEC, Birmingham ۵. Food & Beverages SOURCE FASHION A 29- May 1 | NEC, Birmingham Fashion 18-20 | Olympia, London IFAT MUNICH SINGAPORE AIRSHOW 13-17 | Munich, Germany 8 Aviation 20-25 | Olympia, London ш ш ..... HORTI ASIA 22-24 | Bangkok, Thailand THAIFEX HOREC ASIA Hotels, restaurants and cafes 6-8 | Bangkok, Thailand Nutraceuticals ANUGA FOODTEC THAIFEX Food and Beverages A Food & Beverage 19-22 | Cologne Germany RCH ≥ H+H COLOGNE 4 Handicraft ALIMENTEC 22-24 | Cologne Germany Σ ITALY ш z ANUGA SELECT BRAZIL 6-7 | Bergamo, Italy Food and Beverages 9-11 | Sao Paulo, Brazil CERAMITEC 2 > Fashion Ceramics JUL 0 14-16 | Olympia, London 9-12 | Munich, Germany 4 ...... .......

GAMESCOM Games & Entertainment 4 21-25 | Cologne, Germany ..... ANUGA SELECT CHINA SOURCE HOME & GIFT Gift & Home 1-4 | NEC, Birmingham ANUGA HORIZON Food & Beverages 3-5 | Cologne, Germany ISM MIDDLE EAST FOOD & DRINK EXPO Sweets & Snacks 24-26 | Dubai, UAE F ANUFOOD INDIA Food & Beverages ш 28-30 | Mumbai, India S Environmental Technologies AGRITECHNICA & EXPO Agriculture & Horticulture Games & Entertainment VITAFOODS EUROPE 17-20 | Singapore **CHINA BREW &** 22-24 | Geneva, Switzerland BEVERAGE 0 28-Jun 1 | Bangkok, Thailand ...... Technologies Hotels, restaurants and cafes 18-21 | Bogota, Columbia Beverage INTERZUM FORUM 0 Furniture & Interior Design Z ..... Ceramics SOURCE FASHION C ш 

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HOME & BUILDING

Furniture & Construction 7-9 | Muscat, Oman



Beverage and liquid food 28-31 | Shanghai, China



26-28 | Nuremberg Germany

**BAUMA CHINA** Construction & Machinery 26-29 | Shanghai, China 

ASEAN CERAMICS 11-13 | Ho Chin Minh, Vietnam

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