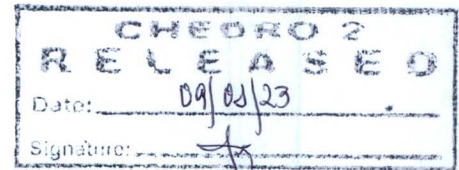




Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION
Region 02

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. 259, Series of 2023



**FOR : ALL PRESIDENTS/ OFFICERS-IN-CHARGE/HEADS OF PUBLIC AND
PRIVATE HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS IN REGION 02**

**SUBJECT : INVITATION TO THE SCHOLARS' ICONS: MODELS FOR
TRANSFORMATIVE EDUCATION**

DATE : September 4, 2023

Attached is a copy of the memorandum issued by **ATTY. LILY FREIDA M. MILLA, CESO IV**, Officer-in-Charge, Office of the Deputy Executive Director, Director-in-Charge, International Affairs Service, Commission on Higher Education, inviting all Philippine higher education institutions of the conduct of the **Scholars' ICONS: Models for Transformative Education** on **September 14, 2023** at the **Monarch Hotel, Calasiao, Pangasinan**.

This event will provide opportunity for the participants to exchange ideas and to establish business or research relations and to find local and international partners for future collaboration. Please confirm your attendance on or before **September 6, 2023** through this link <https://bit.ly/ScholarsICONS2023>.

Attached is the provisional event program, for your reference. Should you have any inquiries or concerns, you may directly coordinate with **Ms. Raifa Yvonne Galang** of the International Affairs Service through email at rygalang@ched.gov.ph with a copy furnished CHED-IAS at ias@ched.gov.ph citing the above mentioned reference number.

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ATTY. MARCO CÍCERO F. DOMINGO
OIC-Director IV

Encl: as stated

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TO : **ALL HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS (HEIS) PRESIDENTS**

FROM : *Lily Freida C. Macabangun-Milla*
ATTY/LILY FREIDA MACABANGUN-MILLA, CESO IV
Officer-in-Charge, Office of the Deputy Executive Director
Director, International Affairs Service

SUBJECT : **INVITATION TO THE SCHOLARS' ICONS: MODELS FOR TRANSFORMATIVE EDUCATION**

DATE : **28 AUGUST 2023**



We are pleased to inform you that the CHED International Affairs Service (IAS) will be holding the **Scholars' ICONS: Models for Transformative Education** on **14 September 2023** at the **Monarch Hotel, Calasiao, Pangasinan**.

The Commission on Higher Education's scholarship programs – Scholarships for Graduate Studies Abroad and Transnational Education – have produced outstanding scholars who have made significant contributions to their respective fields of study. Moreover, in partnership with the U.S. Embassy in the Philippines, CHED empowered Philippine higher education institutions (PHEIs) and Filipino academics to participate in training programs in the U.S. CHED also established noteworthy collaborations with U.S. institutions through scholarships and institutional grants.

In light of this, we are organizing this event to celebrate these breakthroughs. This will be a platform for the scholars and participants of U.S. training programs, to present their researches, breakthrough studies and share their valuable experiences and insights acquired from these engagements. It will also serve as an avenue to forge wider networks for greater collaboration, and encourage participation in similar programs.

Herewith, the CHED- IAS cordially invites you to participate in this event. This will provide opportunity for the event participants to exchange ideas and establish business or research relations and to find local and international partners for future collaboration. We hope to receive your confirmation on or before 06 September 2023 through this link <https://bit.ly/ScholarsICONS2023>.

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Thank you for your usual support and we look forward to your affirmative response.



SCHOLARS' ICONS:

Models for Transformative Education

BRIEFER PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME



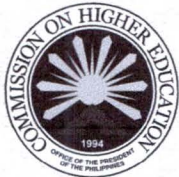
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SCHOLARS' ICONS: MODELS FOR TRANSFORMATIVE EDUCATION

RATIONALE

The Commission on Higher Education's scholarship programs – Scholarships for Graduate Studies Abroad and Transnational Education – have produced outstanding scholars who have made significant contributions to their respective fields of study. Moreover, in partnership with the U.S. and other embassies in the Philippines, CHED empowered Philippine higher education institutions (PHEIs) and Filipino academics to participate in training programs in the U.S. CHED also established noteworthy collaborations with U.S. institutions through scholarships and institutional grants.

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OBJECTIVES

- To provide a platform for Scholarships for Graduate Studies Abroad and Transnational Education scholars and US training participants to share their experiences, their research, and their journey in pursuing higher education.
- To gather and consolidate accomplishments and breakthroughs of SGSA and TNE scholars and US training participants.
- To showcase the achievements and breakthrough studies of the scholars from SGSA and TNHE programs
- To recognize the efforts of the Commission on Higher Education in providing opportunities for faculty and staff to pursue higher education.
- To foster collaboration and networking among scholars, educators, and professionals.



SCHOLARS' ICONS: MODELS FOR TRANSFORMATIVE EDUCATION

FORMAT:

The Scholars' ICONs will be a face-to-face event, hosted by a main event facilitator and moderator (from the INRC KRA 3) who will facilitate the parallel discussion between the scholars. The SGSA and TNE scholars and US training participants will be divided into three groups - HUMMS, STEM, and US and each group will have a separate parallel session. In addition, this will also be an opportunity for the scholars to showcase their breakthrough research to the guest HEIs, and faculty through a research expo.

EXPECTED OUTPUT:

- Inspiration and motivation for other students to pursue higher education and strive for excellence.
- Exchange of ideas and collaboration among scholars, educators, professionals, Embassy representatives and industry stakeholders.
- Recognition and celebration of the achievements of the scholars from SGSA and TNHE programs.
- Conference Proceedings book (online and hard copy).
- Initiate the establishment of a Community of Practice through a Pledge of Commitment.

EXPECTED OUTCOME:

- The summit will provide a valuable opportunity for Filipino scholars to share their experiences and insights with each other and with a wider audience. By highlighting the challenges and opportunities of pursuing higher education and research abroad, the summit may inspire and encourage other Filipinos to pursue their own academic dreams. Additionally, by showcasing the contributions of Filipino scholars to the global knowledge community, the summit may help to promote the Philippines as a hub for intellectual and academic excellence.



SCHOLARS' ICONS: MODELS FOR TRANSFORMATIVE EDUCATION PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

TIME	ACTIVITY
08:00 - 08:30	Registration
08:30 - 08:40	Preliminaries (National Anthem, Prayer, ASEAN Hymn)
08:40 - 08:45	Welcome Remarks Dr. Christine Ferrer Director IV, CHED Regional Office 1
08:45 - 08:55	Opening Message Atty. Lily Freida M. Milla, CESO IV Officer-in-Charge, Office of the Deputy Executive Director Director-in-Charge, International Affairs Service
	MESSAGES OF SOLIDARITY
08:55 - 09:00	From the U.S. Embassy in the Philippines, Ms. Pauline Anderson Deputy Cultural Affairs Officer
09:00 - 09:05	From the Fulbright Commission/Philippine-American Educational Foundation (PAEF), Mr. Julio Amador Executive Director
09:05 - 09:10	From the British Council, Ms. Lotus Postrado Country Director
09:10 - 09:40	Presentation of Available Programs of the US Embassy in the Philippines Name Position
09:40 - 09:50	Intermission Number Name of Performer
09:50 - 09:55	Introduction to the Parallel Sessions and Ribbon Cutting of Research Poster Displays Dr. Allan Cajés Position iNRC Sub-Committee Lead Dr. April Amihan Alcazar Position iNRC Sub-Committee Lead



SCHOLARS' ICONS: MODELS FOR TRANSFORMATIVE EDUCATION CONTINUATION

10:00 - 12:00	Parallel Sessions 1 STEM Research Presentations (main hall) HUMMS Research Presentations (breakout room) Question and Answer Awarding of Certificates
12:00 - 01:00	Lunch Break
01:00 - 02:30	Parallel Sessions 2 UCI and CCAP (main hall) TIEC and Cybersecurity Presentations (breakout room) Question and Answer Awarding of Certificates
02:30 - 03:20	Presentation of Available Programs of Other Embassies in the Philippines
03:20 - 03:30	Awarding of Tokens of Appreciation
	iEducationPH: The CHED IAS Microsite Launching
03:30 - 03:40	Context and Vision for the CHED IAS Microsite Atty. Lily Freida M. Milla, CESO IV Officer-in-Charge, Office of the Deputy Executive Director Director-in-Charge, International Affairs Service
03:40 - 04:20	Emerging Digital Technology for Higher Education Ms. Helen Balderama, MPA Director, Global Engagement and Partnerships, York International York University Q&A Awarding of Certificate of Appreciation to Speaker
04:20 - 04:35	iEducation Philippines AVP
04:35 - 05:00	Pledge of Commitment Invitation to Explore the microsite
5:00 onwards	Socials / US Embassy Reception