



Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Education  
Region VII, Central Visayas  
CITY SCHOOLS DIVISION-TAGBILARAN  
City of Tagbilaran



DIVISION MEMORANDUM  
NO. 109, s. 2018

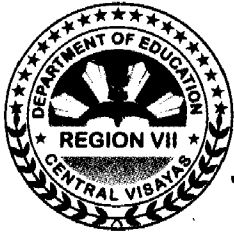
February 20, 2018

**SEAMEO INNOTECH 15<sup>TH</sup> INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE**

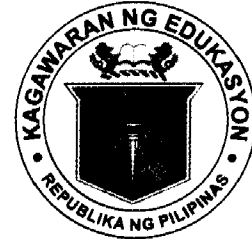
TO: All Division Chiefs  
Education Program Supervisors  
Public Schools District Supervisor  
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Principals  
All Others Concerned

1. In consonance with the communications received dated February 19, 2018 under DepEd Memorandum No. 153, s. 2017 dated October 12, 2017 duly supported with Regional Memorandum No. 131, s. 2018 entitled **SEAMEO INNOTECH 15<sup>th</sup> International Conference**, this Office reiterates the same communications to the field for their information and consideration.
2. For complete details, please read attachments.
3. Immediate and wide dissemination is highly needed.

**VIRGINIA C. ZAPANTA, Ed.D. , CESO V**  
Schools Division Superintendent *all*



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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
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REGION VII, CENTRAL VISAYAS  
Sudlon, Lahug, Cebu City



REGIONAL MEMORANDUM


No. 131, s. 2018

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**SEAMEO INNOTECH 15<sup>th</sup> INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE**

To: Schools Division Superintendents

1. For the information and guidance of all concerned, attached is DepEd Memorandum No. 153, s. 2017 dated October 12, 2017 with the subject "SEAMEO INNOTECH 15<sup>th</sup> International Conference", which is self-explanatory.
2. For details, please refer to the attached Memorandum and communication.
3. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
JULIET A. JERUTA, Ph. D., CESO IV  
Director III  
Officer-In-Charge

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*"EFA 2015: Karapatan ng Lahat, Pananagutan ng Lahat"*



January 23, 2018

Dr. Juliet Jeruta  
 Officer-in-Charge, Office of the Regional Director  
 Department of Education - Region VII  
 Sudlon, Lahug  
 Cebu City

Dear Dr. Jeruta,

In spite of the substantive gains made by Southeast Asian countries in providing access to education for their citizens, learners from the fringes of society continue to face challenges in claiming their right to education. This is particularly the case for those in communities which are geographically remote or affected by poverty, conflict, natural disasters and social, economic, cultural, and physiological access barriers. There are, however, many instances of learners who have been able to surmount these barriers and achieve success due to innovations in the design and delivery of inclusive education services, the passion, commitment and creativity of individual educators, the support of families, communities and other stakeholders, and the motivation, drive and love of learning on the part of the learners themselves. The possibility of replicating these cases of success is critical for the Southeast Asian region to fully attain Sustainable Development Goal No. 4 of "ensuring inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all". To support this effort the Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Organization Regional Center for Educational Innovation and Technology (SEAMEO INNOTECH) is mounting its **15<sup>th</sup> SEAMEO INNOTECH International Conference (15<sup>th</sup> IC)** with a focus on "*re-imagining approaches to inclusive education.*"

Concentrating on the critical question, "*How do we create a thriving learning community for all?*" the SEAMEO INNOTECH 15<sup>th</sup> IC will use the power of stories to explore inclusive education from the perspective of learners who are traditionally unseen, unheard and underserved in an effort to engage conference participants to rethink and reflect on innovative, high impact and sustainable approaches to providing quality education for all. The Conference deliberations will be anchored on three learning themes related to inclusive education: i) **Inclusive Leadership**, ii) **Inclusive Learning Culture**, and iii) **Inclusive Policies and Practices**. It will use the power of personal narratives of remarkable marginalized learners addressing these three learning themes to stir connections on how the region can work towards improving access to quality education for learners in the periphery.

In lieu of traditional conference formats involving multiple speakers, panels and presentations, learning conversations will be facilitated using a modified **Open Space Technology (OST)** approach that will engage participants to discuss education-related issues as well as exchange and share new ideas and best practices in the implementation of inclusive teaching and learning strategies in the region. A selection of compelling stories addressing the conference themes will help frame the conference deliberations supported by synthesis sessions from "Conversation Weavers".

Join us in the 15<sup>th</sup> IC on **March 6-8, 2018** at SEAMEO INNOTECH, Commonwealth Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City, Philippines. Share your narrative and discuss issues and opportunities related to providing quality education to traditionally marginalized learners with other education stakeholders in the region. Register now at our conference website: [seameo-innotech.edao.com](http://seameo-innotech.edao.com). To support your participation in the Conference, you may refer to the attached Department of Education Memorandum No. 153, s. 2017. We invite you as well to take part in our pre-event conversations happening on our Facebook page and voice your thoughts, ideas, and stories on issues surrounding inclusive education.

If you need more information, please contact the 15<sup>th</sup> IC Secretariat through +632.924.7681 to 84 loc. 203 or 124. You may also email Kim ([marilyn@seameo-innotech.org](mailto:marilyn@seameo-innotech.org)) or Lauren ([lauren@seameo-innotech.org](mailto:lauren@seameo-innotech.org)). Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram at [/icinnotech](#) for regular updates.

We look forward to your positive response, and interacting with you at the Conference.

Very truly yours,

RAMON C. BACANI  
 Center Director



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**

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No. **153**, s. 2017

**SEAMEO INNOTECH 15th INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE**

To: Undersecretaries  
Assistant Secretaries  
Regional Secretary, DepEd-ARMM  
Bureau and Service Directors  
Regional Directors  
Schools Division Superintendents  
Division Chiefs and Unit Heads  
Public Elementary and Secondary School Heads  
All Others Concerned

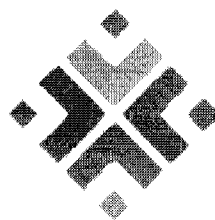
1. The Southeast Asian Ministers of Education Organization (SEAMEO) INNOTECH will conduct its **15th International Conference** with the theme **Thriving in the Margins-Inclusive Education Re-imagined** from March 6 to 8, 2018 at the SEAMEO INNOTECH, Commonwealth Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City.
2. Since 1986, SEAMEO INNOTECH has convened its Biennial International Conference as a platform for exchanging ideas, networking, and sharing good practices among education stakeholders. This year, the 15th SEAMEO INNOTECH International Conference will give an opportunity for those in the marginalized sectors to be heard by the policy-makers amidst competing interests and concerns.
3. All interested participants are invited to attend this activity.
4. For more information, contact SEAMEO INNOTECH at (02) 924-7681 to 84 or e-mail at [conference@seameo-innotech.org](mailto:conference@seameo-innotech.org).
5. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
**LEONOR MAGTOLIS BRIONES**  
Secretary

Reference:  
None

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index  
under the following subjects:

CONFERENCE  
OFFICIALS



15th  
**SEAMEO INNOTECH**  
International Conference

*Thriving in the Margins: Inclusive Education Re-Imagined*

GUIDE FOR PARTICIPANTS

CO-ORGANIZERS:



Asia South Pacific Association  
for Basic and Adult Education  
Learning, Research, Progress

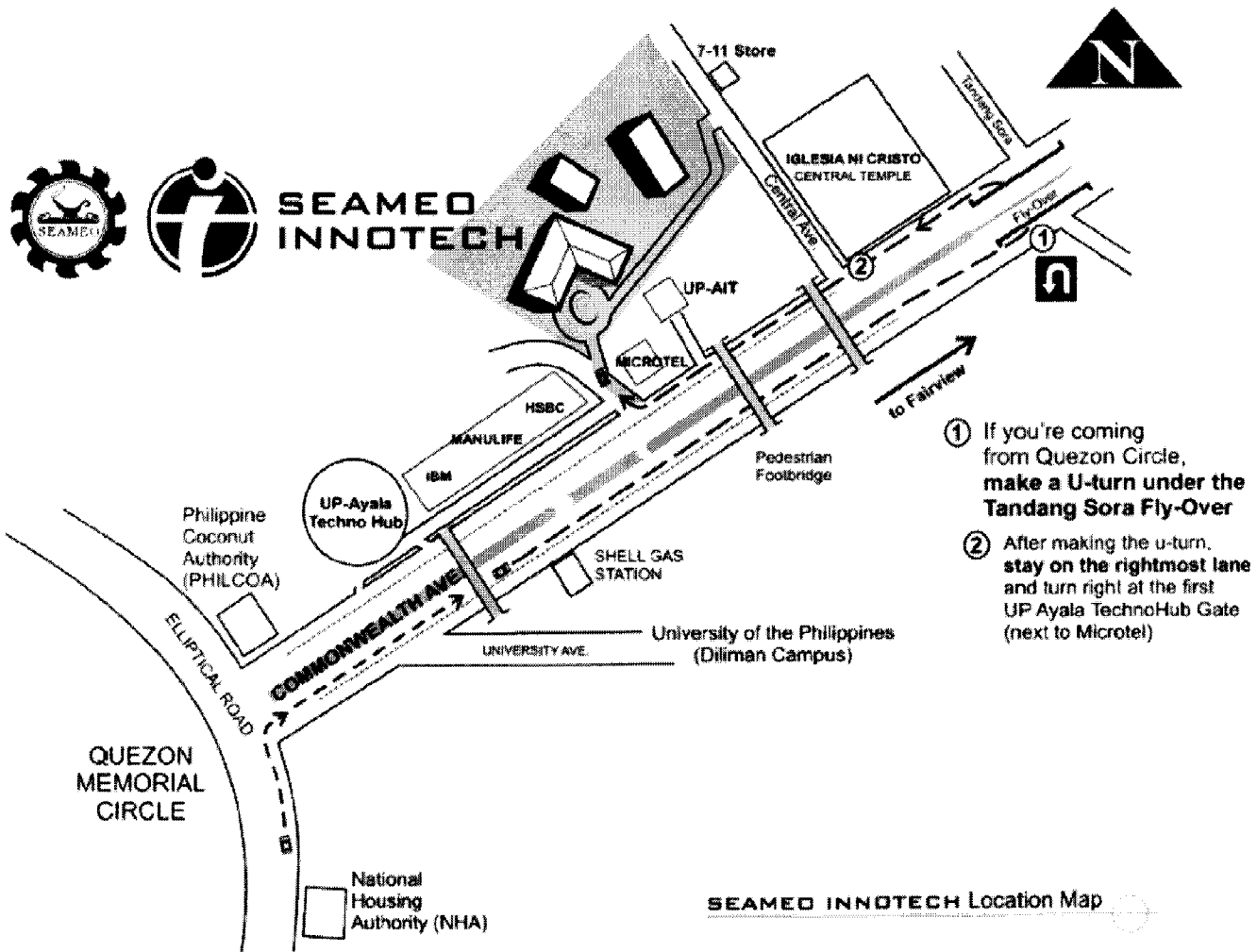
# Location

The conference will be held at SEAMEO INNOTECH campus in Quezon City, Philippines. The campus is located inside the UP-Ayala Land Technohub, an information technology park jointly developed by the University of the Philippines (UP) Diliman and property developer Ayala Land.

Upon entering Technohub from Commonwealth Avenue, in front of SEAMEO INNOTECH is the Microtel by Wyndham UP Technohub and HSBC Philippines. Commonwealth Avenue is the main access to SEAMEO INNOTECH where public jeepneys, buses and taxis pass.

There is also a smaller rear gate access through Central Avenue, across the entrance of the New Era University, which may be accessed from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm only.

The imposing buildings with steeples and spires to the left of Technohub belong to the "Iglesia ni Cristo" (Church of Christ), a Christian religious group. The complex is known as "Iglesia Central" or "Iglesia Cathedral." When a taxi driver does not know where SEAMEO INNOTECH is, it usually helps to tell him that it is near the Iglesia Central (or Central) or UP Technohub on the road to Fairview.



## Entry to the Philippines

Nationals from ASEAN-member states and 148 other countries can enter the Philippines without a visa for a stay not exceeding 30 days,\**“provided they hold valid tickets for their return journey to port of origin or next port of destination and their passports valid for a period of at least six months beyond contemplated period of stay.”* - dfa.gov.ph

Participants with passports from countries listed below are advised to apply for a temporary visitor’s visa at the Philippine Embassy or Consulate in their respective country of origin or legal residence:

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|------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| • Afghanistan          | • Iran        | • Palestine    |
| • Albania              | • Iraq        | • Sierra Leone |
| • Algeria              | • Jordan      | • Serbia       |
| • Armenia              | • Kosovo      | • Somalia      |
| • Azerbaijan           | • Lebanon     | • South Sudan  |
| • Bangladesh           | • Libya       | • Sri Lanka    |
| • Belarus              | • Macedonia   | • Sudan        |
| • Bosnia & Herzegovina | • Moldova     | • Syria        |
| • China                | • Montenegro  | • Taiwan       |
| • Cuba                 | • Nauru       | • Timor Leste  |
| • Egypt                | • Nigeria     | • Tonga        |
| • Georgia              | • North Korea | • Ukraine      |
| • India                | • Pakistan    | • Yemen        |

\* Brazilian and Israeli nationals are given 59 days stay based on existing agreements

\*\* Holders of passports from the Special Administrative Regions of Hong Kong and Macau are allowed to enter the Philippines without a visa for a stay not exceeding 14 days

## Possible Air Routes

The main international gateway for travelers to the Philippines, and Metro Manila in particular, is the Ninoy Aquino International Airport (NAIA) in Pasay City. NAIA has 4 passenger terminals, 3 of which serve international flights. Terminals 1 and 3 take the bulk of foreign arrivals accommodating international flights of 38 carriers, while Terminal 2 (Centennial Terminal) is exclusively used by Philippine Airlines for both its domestic and international flights.

The most convenient way to reach the conference venue from NAIA is by taxi which would take around an hour and a half of travel time and costs between 600 to 800 pesos.

A viable alternative entry point to Metro Manila is Clark International Airport in Pampanga - a province north of the capital. Clark hosts 8 airlines with international flights to and from 7 Asian cities: Hong Kong, Macau, Singapore, Incheon, Busan, Doha, and Dubai. In October of 2017, flights between Shanghai and Clark are expected to begin with China Eastern Airlines.

Clark International Airport is about 2 hours away from SEAMEO INNOTECH. For transportation services from Clark to Metro Manila, participants may visit: [crk.clarkairport.com](http://crk.clarkairport.com).



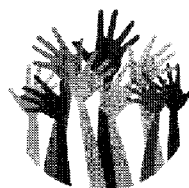
This coming March 06-08, 2018, listen to the accounts of how those living in the fringes of mainstream society have succeeded not only for themselves but also for others.

## INCLUSIVE EDUCATION RE-IMAGINED

SEAMEO INNOTECH's 15th International Conference (IC) uses the power of stories to explore inclusive quality education from the perspective of learners who are traditionally unseen, unheard, and underserved.

It aims to provide an opportunity for the conference participants to rethink and reflect on the current and good practices in inclusive quality education and how lessons learned from the conference can be applied in their individual contexts and realities.

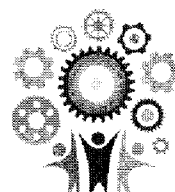
## LEARNING THEMES



**Inclusive Leadership**



**Inclusive Learning Culture**



**Inclusive Policies and Practices**

The 15th IC is a mix of plenary presentations, synthesis sessions, and concurrent breakout discussions on inclusive education and its relationship to the learning themes. It will use the power of personal narratives of remarkable marginalized learners that can stir connections on how the region can work towards improving access to quality education for learners in the periphery.

The Conference will be held for two-and-a-half days with discussions anchored on three learning themes related to inclusive education: i) **Inclusive Leadership**, ii) **Inclusive Learning Culture**, and iii) **Inclusive Policies and Practices**. A selection of compelling stories addressing these three learning themes will frame the conference deliberations. Learning conversations will be facilitated using a modified **Open Space Technology (OST)** approach that will engage participants to discuss education-related issues as well as exchange and share new ideas and best practices in the implementation of inclusive teaching and learning strategies in the region.

"Conversation weavers" will facilitate the creation of a tapestry of lessons learned or a synthesis supported by a shared action agenda that participants can apply in their own settings. This synthesis will help the participants make sense of the shared stories and discussions to redefine their own understanding of inclusion and how they can help support and improve access to quality education for all.

## INDICATIVE CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

### DAY 01

#### MARCH 06, 2018

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| 09:00 | Context Setting and Opening Message                 |
| 09:15 | Keynote Address Education Relief Foundation (ERF)   |
| 10:00 | <b>PLENARY</b><br>3 Stories on Inclusive Leadership |
| 11:00 | Opening the Circle                                  |
| 12:00 | Lunch   |
| 13:30 | Learning Conversation 1                             |
| 14:30 | Learning Conversation 2                             |
| 15:30 | Learning Conversation 3                             |
| 16:30 | Story Weaving                                       |
| 17:00 | Evening News  |

### DAY 02

#### MARCH 07, 2018

|       |   |
|-------|---|
| 09:00 | Morning News  |
| 09:30 | <b>PLENARY</b><br>3 Stories on Practices, Policies and Culture in Inclusive Education |
| 10:00 | Learning Conversation 4   |
| 11:00 | Learning Conversation 5   |
| 12:00 | Lunch   |
| 13:30 | Learning Conversation 6   |
| 14:30 | Learning Conversation 7   |
| 15:30 | Story Weaving   |
| 16:30 | Evening News  |

### DAY 03

#### MARCH 08, 2018

|       |                                      |
|-------|--------------------------------------|
| 09:00 | Morning News                         |
| 09:30 | Priority Setting and Action Planning |
| 10:30 | Story Weaving/<br>Tapestry           |
| 11:30 | Closing the Circle                   |
| 12:00 | Lunch                                |

## TO REGISTER

- 1 Go to <https://seameo-innotech.odoo.com>
- 2 Click on Events and choose 15th SEAMEO INNOTECH International Conference.
- 3 Fill out the registration page and pay the conference fee.

OR

- 1 Fill out the registration form enclosed in this brochure.
- 2 Submit the form and pay the conference fee.




## CONFERENCE FEE

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| <b>EARLY BIRD</b><br>(until February 2018)  | PHP 10,000/ USD 200 |
| <b>REGULAR RATE</b>                         | PHP 12,500/ USD 250 |
| <b>SPECIAL RATE</b><br>(DepEd, CHED, TESDA) | PHP 8,000           |

You may choose to pay online via **Paypal** or through **bank deposit**. Details are provided on the registration form.

### TAKE PART IN OUR PRE-EVENT CONVERSATIONS.

Share your thoughts, ideas, and stories on issues surrounding inclusive education. Visit us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram and use the hashtag **#inclusivEDnarratives**.

   [icinnotech](https://www.facebook.com/icinnotech)

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