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CARAGA REGION



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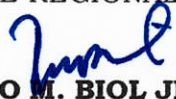
To: SCHOOLS DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS  
This Region

INVITATION FOR 25th CARAGA BUSINESS CONFERENCE

1. The Agusan del Sur Chamber of Commerce and Industry Foundation, Inc. (ADSCCIFI) in partnership with the Provincial Government of Agusan del Sur shall host the 25<sup>th</sup> Caraga Business Conference on August 10-11, 2023.
2. Interested personnel may join the said conference. However, this office reiterates that participation to this activity is voluntary.
3. Attached in this Memorandum is the letter of invitation which contains the mechanics of registration and others.
4. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum to all concerned is highly desired.

**MARIA INES C. ASUNCION**  
Director III  
Officer-in-Charge  
Office of the Regional Director

BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR:

  
**ISIDRO M. BIOL JR., PhD.**  
Chief – CLMD

Encl/s.: As stated  
Reference/s: Invitation Letter from ADSCCIFI  
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index  
under the following subjects:

BUSINESS CONFERENCE INVITATION

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## 25TH CARAGA BUSINESS CONFERENCE

"Caraga: Merging Opportunities, Harmonizing Capacities"

AUGUST 10 - 11, 2023

Provincial Learning Center, Gov. D.O Plaza Government Center, Prosperidad, Agusan Del Sur.



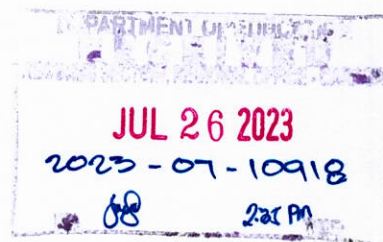
June 30, 2023

**MS. MARIA INES C. ASUNCION**

OIC, Regional Director

DepEd Caraga

Libertad St., Butuan City, Agusan del Norte



Dear Ma'am:

Greetings of Peace and Prosperity.

We are inviting you to the **25<sup>th</sup> Caraga Business Conference (CBC)** with the theme, "*Caraga: Merging Opportunities, Harmonizing Capacities*" scheduled on August 10-11, 2023 at the Provincial Learning Center, Gov. D.O Plaza Government Center, Prosperidad, Agusan del Sur. The conference is hosted by the Agusan del Sur Chamber of Commerce and Industry Foundation, Inc. (ADSCCIFI) in partnership with the Provincial Government of Agusan del Sur.

The 2-day conference will focus on the following topics – Infrastructure, Power, Tourism (Meetings, Incentives, Conferences, Exhibitions), Agriculture, Youth entrepreneurship, Human Capital, Investment and Financing. We have invited reputable speakers both from the private and public sectors to share insights and practical ideas relevant to the economic development of Caraga. The registration fee for each participant is P2,200.00 to cover food and conference kit. Attached is a copy of the registration form.

Thank you for always supporting the business sector.

Sincerely yours,

  
**JOCELYN L. BASTARECHE**

President- ADSCCIFI

Chairperson- CBC 2023

  
**JULIE P. SENENSE**

Regional Governor

PCCI- Caraga



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## REGISTRATION FORM

Please fill out the following details to register for the upcoming 25<sup>th</sup> Caraga Business Conference.

### PERSONAL INFORMATION\*

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gender: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_  
Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Do you have any dietary restrictions? If yes, please specify:  
\_\_\_\_\_
2. Do you require any special accommodations? If yes, please specify:  
\_\_\_\_\_

### PAYMENT INFORMATION\*

- a. ☐ Cash (on site)
- b. ☐ Check (on site)
- c. You can also pay thru gcash @09177178479 (Kamille Angelie N. Mabano).
- d. Deposit at PNB account no. 4026-7000-3745  
Account name (Agusan del Sur Chamber of Commerce & Industry Foundation Inc).

Please send the Registration form to [25cbc.official2023@gmail.com](mailto:25cbc.official2023@gmail.com) or [adschamberofcommerce68@yahoo.com.ph](mailto:adschamberofcommerce68@yahoo.com.ph)

*Please note that your registration is subject to confirmation upon receipt of the registration fee. Further instructions regarding payment and conference details will be provided upon successful registration.*

*By submitting this form, you agree to abide by the terms and conditions set forth by the Caraga Business Conference 2023.*

**Thank you for your participation. We look forward to welcoming you at the 25<sup>th</sup> Caraga Business Conference 2023!**



25<sup>TH</sup> CARAGA BUSINESS CONFERENCE PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

DAY 1 | AUGUST 10, 2023

|                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                    |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 7:00AM – 9:00AM                              | Registration                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                    |
| 9:00AM – 10:30AM                             | OPENING CEREMONY                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                    |
|                                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Entry of Colors</li><li>• Entry of Dignitaries &amp; Participants</li><li>• Grouped per Chamber</li><li>• Invocation</li><li>• National Anthem</li><li>• Agusan Hymn</li><li>• Agusan March</li><li>• Caraga Hymn</li><li>• Acknowledgement of Participants</li></ul> |                                                                                                                                    |
| Call to Order                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | MS. JULIE P. SENENSE<br>Regional Governor PCCI – Caraga                                                                            |
| Welcome Message                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | HON. FREDERICK MARK P. MELLANA<br>Municipal Mayor, Prosperidad                                                                     |
| Conference Rationale                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | MS. JOCELYN L. BASTARECHE<br>ADSCCIFI President/Conference Chair                                                                   |
| Opening Statement                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | MR. ARTURO M. MILAN<br>PCCI Area Vice President for Mindanao                                                                       |
| Message                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | HON. SANTIAGO B. CANE, JR.<br>Provincial Governor, Agusan del Sur                                                                  |
| Introduction of the Keynote Speaker          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | MS. JOCELYN L. BASTARECHE<br>ADSCCIFI President/Conference Chair                                                                   |
| 10:30 – 10:45AM Keynote Address              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | HON. ADOLPH EDWARD G. PLAZA<br>Congressman, 2nd District<br>Province of Agusan del Sur                                             |
| 10:45 – 11:10AM Overview of Caraga’s Economy |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | HON. NILO P. DEMEREY, JR.<br>Chairperson, Caraga RDC<br>Governor, Province of Dinagat Islands                                      |
| PLENARY 1 – MERGING OPPORTUNITIES            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                    |
| 11:15AM – 11:30AM                            | REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT ON INFRASTRUCTURE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | HON. ROMEO S. MOMO, SR.<br>Congressman, 1st District<br>Province of Surigao del Sur<br>Chair, Committee on Public Works & Highways |
| LUNCH (11:30AM – 1:00PM)                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                    |



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| 1:00PM –<br>1:15PM  | POWER UTILITY SITUATIONER AND<br>UNDERSTANDING POWER COSTS                                                                                                                                                                                                       | ATTY. JOSEFINA PATRICIA A. MAGPALE-ASIRIT<br>Former ERC Commissioner<br>Energy Regulatory Commission                                                                                      |
| 1:18PM –<br>1:35PM  | MINDANAO DEVELOPMENT POWER<br>SITUATIONER AND RENEWABLE ENERGY IN<br>CARAGA (HYDRO)                                                                                                                                                                              | SEC. MARIA BELEN S. ACOSTA<br>Secretary<br>Mindanao Development Authority                                                                                                                 |
| 1:35PM –<br>1:50PM  | COMMUNICATION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | USEC. ALAN A. SILOR<br>Undersecretary<br>Department of Information and<br>Communications Technology                                                                                       |
| 1:55PM –<br>2:15PM  | CONNECTIVITY                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | TBA                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 2:15PM –<br>2:45PM  | REACTORS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regional Development On<br/>Infrastructure</li> <li>Power Utility Situationer and<br/>Understanding Power Costs</li> <li>Communication and Connectivity</li> </ul>                                               | MS. CHRISTINA HEMADY R. ARCILLAS<br>President<br>Butuan City CCI<br>MR. JOHN VINCENT C. PIMENTEL<br>President<br>Tandag City CCI<br>MR. FREDDIE SEMBRANO<br>President<br>Surigao City CCI |
| 2:45PM –<br>3:15PM  | OPEN FORUM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Awarding of Plaques</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                 | Moderator TBA                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 3:15PM –<br>4:30PM  | OPPORTUNITIES AND THEIR MILESTONES <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Butuan City Chamber of Commerce<br/>&amp; Industry</li> <li>Tandag City Chamber of Commerce<br/>&amp; Industry</li> <li>Surigao City Chamber of Commerce<br/>&amp; Industry</li> </ul> | MS. CHRISTINA HEMADY R. ARCILLAS<br>President, Butuan City CCI<br>MR. JOHN VINCENT C. PIMENTEL<br>President, Tandag City CCI<br>MR. FREDDIE SEMRBANO<br>President, Surigao City CCI       |
| SOLIDARITY NIGHT    |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 5:00PM –<br>10:00PM | CHAMBER'S NIGHT 25 <sup>th</sup> MILESTONE                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Venue: Gov. D.O Plaza Covered Court<br>Dress code: Mindanao-Filipiniana                                                                                                                   |
| END OF DAY 1        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                           |



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DAY 2 | AUGUST 11, 2023

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| 9:00AM – 9:20AM                     | Recap                                                                                                                                                                                         | TBA                                                                                            |
| 9:20AM – 9:30AM                     | Message                                                                                                                                                                                       | HON. ALFELITO M. BASCUG<br>Congressman, 1 <sup>st</sup> District<br>Province of Agusan del Sur |
| Introduction of the Keynote Speaker |                                                                                                                                                                                               | MS. MARIA LIZA BALMADRES<br>VP for External Affairs<br>Agusan del Sur CCI                      |
| 9:30AM – 9:40AM                     | Keynote Address                                                                                                                                                                               | HON. RONNIE VICENTE C. LAGNADA<br>City Mayor<br>Butuan City, Agusan del Norte                  |
| PLENARY 2 – HARMONIZING CAPACITIES  |                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                |
| 9:40AM – 9:55AM                     | M.I.C.E (MEETINGS, INCENTIVES, CONFERENCES, EXHIBITIONS)                                                                                                                                      | RD IVONNIE B. DUMADAG<br>Regional Director<br>DOT Caraga                                       |
|                                     | CREATIVE INDUSTRY OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS                                                                                                                                       | DTI                                                                                            |
| 9:55AM – 10:10AM                    | MINING                                                                                                                                                                                        | ATTY. DANTE R. BRAVO<br>President<br>Global Ferronickel Holdings, Inc.                         |
| 10:10AM – 10:25AM                   | AGRI-BUSINESS                                                                                                                                                                                 | EPCC HOLDINGS                                                                                  |
| 10:25AM – 11:10AM                   | INVESTMENT AND FINANCING <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Development Bank of the Philippines</li> <li>Land Bank of the Philippines</li> <li>Central Bank of the Philippines</li> </ul> | TBA<br><br>TBA<br><br>TBA                                                                      |
| 11:10AM – 11:30AM                   | HUMAN CAPITAL                                                                                                                                                                                 | ATTY. JOEFRY SUYAO<br>Regional Director<br>DOLE Caraga                                         |
| LUNCH (11:30AM – 1:00PM)            |                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                |



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| 1:00PM –<br>2:15 PM | <b>REACTORS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>M.I.C.E (Meetings, Incentives, Conferences, Exhibitions)</li> <li>Mining</li> <li>Agri-Business</li> <li>Investment and Financing</li> </ul> | <b>MR. LEONEL ROJO</b><br>President<br>Dinagat CCI<br><b>TBA</b><br><br><b>TBA</b><br><br><b>TBA</b>      |
| 2:15PM –<br>3:05PM  | <b>OPEN FORUM</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Awarding of Plaques</li> </ul>                                                                                                             | <b>Moderator TBA</b>                                                                                      |
| 3:05PM –<br>3:30PM  | <b>OPPORTUNITIES AND THEIR MILESTONES</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dinagat Chamber of Commerce &amp; Industry</li> <li>Bislig City Chamber of Commerce &amp; Industry</li> </ul>      | <b>MR. LEONEL ROJO</b><br>President, Dinagat CCI<br><b>MR. LEONIDAS DINGDING</b><br>President, Bislig CCI |
| <b>TBA</b>          | <b>UPDATES ON 24<sup>TH</sup> CBC RESOLUTIONS</b>                                                                                                                                                   | <b>MS. JULIE P. SENENSE</b><br>Regional Governor<br>PCCI Caraga                                           |
| <b>TBA</b>          | <b>PRESENTATION OF THE 25<sup>th</sup> CBC RESOLUTIONS</b>                                                                                                                                          | <b>MS. JULIE P. SENENSE AND ALL CCI PRESIDENTSS</b>                                                       |
| <b>TBA</b>          | <b>CLOSING STATEMENT</b>                                                                                                                                                                            | <b>MS. JOCELYN L. BASTARECHE</b><br>ADSCCIFI President/Conference Chair                                   |
| <b>END OF DAY 2</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                           |