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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM
No. 645, s. 2019

**FORUM ON BRUNEI DARUSSALAM-INDONESIA-MALAYSIA-PHILIPPINES EAST ASEAN GROWTH AREA
(BIMP-EAGA) IN BASIC EDUCATION**

**TO: All Schools Division Superintendents
This Region**

1. Attached is Unnumbered Memorandum dated October 3, 2019 signed by Margarita Consolacion C. Ballesteros, Director IV, International Cooperation Office, re: Forum on Brunei Darussalam-Indonesia-Malaysia-Philippines East ASEAN Growth Area (BIMP-EAGA) in Basic Education.
2. The forum aims to acquaint the DepEd officials and personnel on the importance of international commitments and partnerships in the education sector. Hence, it is hereby requested that each Division Offices shall have one (1) representative, particularly SGOD Chief or a Planning Officer, to attend in the forum.
3. Kindly email confirmed participants to ico@depd.gov.ph with the subject *Confirmation for BIMP-EAGA Forum*.
4. Further details and information are provided in the attached Memorandum.
5. For your information and immediate compliance.


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OIC – Regional Director

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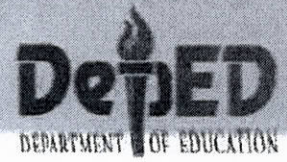
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MEMORANDUM

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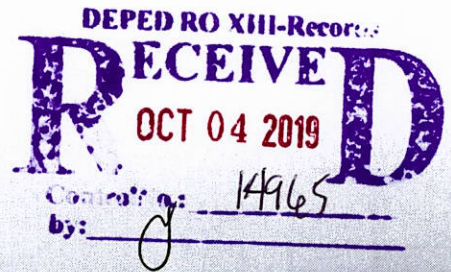
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FROM : 
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Director IV

SUBJECT : **Forum on Brunei Darussalam-Indonesia-Malaysia-Philippines East ASEAN Growth Area (BIMP-EAGA) in Basic Education**

DATE : 3 October 2019



The DepEd International Cooperation Office (ICO) will be holding the **Forum on Brunei Darussalam-Indonesia-Malaysia-Philippines East ASEAN Growth Area (BIMP-EAGA) in Basic Education** on **5-7 November 2019** in **Davao**.

This forum aims to acquaint the DepEd officials and personnel on the importance of international commitments and partnerships in the education sector. The BIMP-EAGA is one of the newest organizations in which the Department is engaged with. In this relation, the forum aims to raise

awareness for and increase the participation of the Department in the organization's projects.

We are inviting **one (1) representative from each division of your region** to participate in the forum, specifically, an **SGOD Chief** or a **Planning Officer** who can help in formulating proposals for BIMP-EAGA projects.

Please be informed that accommodation and meals during the forum will be provided, please refer to the table below. Travel expenses including airfare, local transportation, meals not included in the forum and other incidental expenses shall be charged from your local funds. Attached herewith are the concept note and tentative program of activities.

	Day 0 5 Nov	Day 1 6 Nov	Day 2 7 Nov
Breakfast		✓	✓
AM Snacks		✓	✓
Lunch	✓	✓	
PM Snacks		✓	
Dinner	✓	✓	

Kindly email list of confirmed participants to ico@deped.gov.ph with the subject *Confirmation for BIMP-EAGA Forum*.

For confirmation of participation and further queries or concerns on the matter, kindly contact our International Cooperation Office (ICO) at telephone number (02) 637-6463 or email address ico@deped.gov.ph.

Thank you very much.

Attachments:

- A. Concept Note
- B. Tentative Program of Activities



Brunei Darussalam-Indonesia-Malaysia-Philippines
East ASEAN Growth Area



PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

Time	Activity
5 November 2019	Arrival of Participants
6 November 2019	
8:30 – 9:30	Registration
Opening Ceremony	
9:00 – 9:10	Philippine National Anthem The ASEAN Way Invocation
9:10 – 9:20	Welcome Remarks
9:20 – 10:00	Recognition of Participants Introduction of the International Cooperation Office and its mandate Dr. Margarita Consolacion Ballesteros International Cooperation Office (ICO)
Program Proper	
10:00 – 10:15	Cultural Presentation
10:15 – 10:30	Coffee Break
10:30 – 11:00	Session 1: Overview of BIMP-EAGA Exec. Dir. Romeo M. Montenegro Mindanao Development Authority
11:00 – 11:30	Session 2: How BIMP-EAGA contributes to ASEAN Asst. Secretary Junever M. Mahilum-West Department of Foreign Affairs – ASEAN Affairs
11:30 – 12:30	Session 3: Discussion on the SCE Pillar Dr. Gaspar S. Gayona Regional Director, TESDA Region VI
Lunch	
1:30 – 2:00	Session 4: Working Groups under SCE Pillar - Human Resources Working Group Atty. Lily Freida M. Milla Commission on Higher Education - Socio-Cultural Working Group Ms. Adelina M. Suesmith National Commission for Culture and the Arts



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2:00 – 4:00	Session 5: Discussion on drafting project proposals
4:00 – 5:00	Open Forum
5:00 – 5:30	Synthesis
5:30 – 5:40	Closing Remarks
5:40 – 6:00	Photo Opportunity
Early Dinner	
7 November 2019	Departure of Participants



CONCEPT NOTE

Background

The International Cooperation Office (ICO) is anchored on the goal of enhancing the institutional capacity of the Department of Education in developing, coordinating, managing, and consequently, fulfilling international commitments of the country. The office is also mandated to serve as the clearing house for all international transactions within the Department of Education and to strengthen the ties of the Department to its international partners, including bilateral and multilateral cooperation.

One of its goals is to acquaint the Department of Education Personnel on the importance of the international commitments and partnerships in the education sector. This forum will also introduce the mandate of the office to the Department, both in the Central and Field offices.

One of the organizations is the BIMP-EAGA and its new pillar on Socio-Cultural and Education (SCE), this forum aims to raise awareness and increase participation of the Department in the BIMP-EAGA.

Objectives of the Forum

The forum aims to serve as a platform to discuss the following:

- To introduce BIMP-EAGA to the Regional Offices Concerned
- To identify and formulate possible project proposals for BIMP-EAGA

Participants

SGOD Chief or Planning Officer, who can help in formulating proposals for BIMP-EAGA projects. One (1) representative per division from the following regions:

1. Region IV-B (Palawan and Puerto Princesa City only)
2. Region IX
3. Region X
4. Region XI
5. Region XII
6. CARAGA
7. BARMM

Venue and Schedule

5-7 November 2019 in Davao