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Regional Memorandum

NOMINATION FOR SEAMEO INNOTECH SCHOLARSHIP ONLINE COURSE ON EARLY LITERACY INSTRUCTION FOR K-3 TEACHERS

To **Schools Division Superintendents**

1. Relative to the Memorandum from the International Cooperation Office, this Office through the National Educators Academy of the Philippines-CALABARZON calls for the nomination of qualified scholars for the said course. This **Online Course on Early Literacy Instruction for K-3 Teachers** will start on **January 18, 2021** and commence on **April 17, 2021**.
2. Nominees must be as follows:
 - a. Professional Career Stage 1 (Beginning Teacher);
 - b. Handling Kindergarten or Primary Level i.e. Grades 1 to 3 classes;
 - c. Not be a participant to Basa Pilipinas' Face-to-Face and blended learning.
3. Nominees must be officially indorsed by the Schools Division Superintendent before confirming their participation through this link **bit.ly/EGRACOURSE**.
4. Attached herewith is the Nomination Form to be submitted to neap.calabarzon@deped.gov.ph not later than January 13, 2021 along with the Memo from the ICO and FAQs regarding this course.
5. Immediate dissemination of this memorandum to all concerned is expected.


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MEMORANDUM

FOR : ALL REGIONAL DIRECTORS

THRU : JESUS L.R. MATEO
 Undersecretary for Planning and Human Resources and
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FROM : MARGARITA CONSOLACION C. BALLESTEROS
 Director IV

**SUBJECT : Request for Participants Nomination to SEAMEO INNOTECH's
 Early Literacy Instruction for K-3 Teachers Online Course**

DATE : 8 January 2021

This is with reference to the communication from the SEAMEO INNOTECH regarding the Centre's online course on Early Literacy Instruction for K-3 Teachers.

SEAMEO INNOTECH developed a self-paced course entitled Early Literacy Instruction for K-3 Teachers. The course will officially start on **January 18, 2021** and will end on **April 17, 2021**. It aims to provide teachers handling Kindergarten to Grade 3 with quality and readily accessible content to enhance their knowledge and skills to teach literacy—a skill that is critical for learners in the Philippines.

Specifically, the goal is to introduce and improve teaching reading and writing in the early grades and to provide the participants with practical strategies to help their students become competent readers and writers.

The course is presented in a Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) format, which means that the course is self-paced and the activities will be mostly asynchronous.

In this regard, we would like to request for your assistance in disseminating the information to interested K-3 teachers. The Department is requested to nominate six hundred (600) teachers who are handling Kindergarten to Grade 3, specifically those who were not covered under the Basa Pilipinas' Face-to-Face and blended learning courses on early literacy instruction. We would also appreciate receiving a list of nominees from your region for our reference. We will accommodate nominations on a first come first serve basis.

Attached are the official poster, FAQs, and Information Note on the course. For further coordination on the matter, your staff may contact the International Cooperation Office through email at ico@deped.gov.ph.



Frequently Asked Questions

Below are the responses to the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) regarding the course:

1. What is SEAMEO INNOTECH?

SEAMEO INNOTECH is principally dedicated to identifying common and unique education problems and needs in Southeast Asian countries and developing innovative and technology-based solutions to address these problems.

The Center aids in educational development within and outside the region through training and human resource development, research and evaluation, information and communications technology and other special projects addressing specific areas of concern in the Southeast Asian educational scenario. It is one of three SEAMEO (www.seameo.org) regional centers hosted by the Government of the Philippines.

2. What course is being offered for FREE?

Course Title	Description	Target Participants
Early Literacy Instruction for K-3 Teachers (a Massive Open Online Course)	<p>The course aims to help you to become familiar with effective and practical strategies in teaching reading and writing.</p> <p>Specifically,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• to introduce teaching reading and writing in the early grades; and• to provide you with practical strategies to help your students become competent readers and writers.	Beginning Teachers (Career Stage 1) who are handling Kindergarten to Grade 3 learners

3. When will the course be implemented?

This course is open to all beginning teachers of K-13. The course (pilot) will start on January 18 and will end on January 17, 2021.

4. How can I enroll?

To register, you need to access the link <https://bit.ly/EGRACOURSE> and accomplish the online registration form.

5. Where can I get the materials for the course?

All the course materials are uploaded in the course platform termed as iFLEX (INNOTECH Flexible Learning Management System or <https://iflex2.innotech.org>). The iFLEX is a MOODLE-based software application used for the administration, tracking, reporting and delivery of SEAMEO INNOTECH's flexible learning courses.

6. Who will be handling the class or act as course facilitator?

This course is presented in a Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) format. This means that the course is self-paced and the activities will be mostly asynchronous.

7. Am I qualified to enroll? Do I need to be nominated by my Supervisor?

The course is open to all teachers handling Kindergarten to Grade 3 learners.

You do not need to be nominated by your Supervisor, but you will need to inform him/her that you are participating in a course offered for FREE by SEAMEO INNOTECH.

8. Is there a face-to-face orientation before the course begins?

There is no face-to-face orientation. You are expected to view the Orientation Powerpoint Presentation for the selected course (below) and How to Navigate the iFLEX on your own.

LIST OF NOMINATED PARTICIPANTS

SDO _____

SEAMEO INNOTECH's Early Literacy Instruction for K-3 Teachers Online Course

FULL NAME	DESIGNATION	REGION	DEPED EMAIL ADDRESS

Noted by: _____

Prepared by: _____

Schools Division Superintendent