

Republic of the Philippines Department of Education

REGION IV-A CALABARZON GATE 2, KARANGALAN VILLAGE 1900 CAINTA, RIZAL



25 August 2021

Regional Memorandum

PARTNERSHIP ENGAGEMENT WITH THE ASIA FOUNDATION

To: Schools Division Superintendents - Batangas Cluster

- 1. This pertains to the partnership proposal of The Asia Foundation by ETHAN GEARY, Deputy Country Representative represented herein by PATRICK BOLAÑOS, Special Project Officer of The Asia Foundation, Greenfield Tower Mayflower Street cor. William Street Greenfiled District Mandaluyong City.
- 2. The Asia Foundation would like to dedicate a training program to selected Senior High School students including Teachers in various schools located in the Division of Batangas and the City Divisions therein with the theme: "Basta Techy, Easy", equipping students with digital jobseeker tools.
- 3. In view of this, the SGOD Chiefs through the Division Partnership Focal Persons of concerned Divisions are advised to engage with the prospective partner for the possible partnership that would benefit the beneficiaries thereat.
- 4. For more information, you may visit the link www.godigitalasean.ph or contact Patrick Bolanos through email Patrick.bolanos@asiafoundation.org and mobile #09178817929. Attached herewith is the proposal and other pertinent documents for ready reference.
- 5. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

Regional Director

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May 17, 2021

Mr. FRANCIS CESAR B. BRINGAS

Regional Director Regional Office IV-A (CALABARZON) Department of Education

Dear Mr. Bringas,

The Asia Foundation with support from Google.org is implementing the Go Digital ASEAN project which is a ten-country initiative designed to equip the emerging workforce with digital skills and tools. It supports the digital talent and entrepreneurship objectives of the ASEAN Digital Integration Framework, set out by the ASEAN Coordinating Committee on MSMEs. In the Philippines, the initiative will reach up to 25,000 individuals. Additional references and information can be accessed at www.godigitalasean.ph.

As the emerging workforce of the future, senior high school students are key beneficiaries of the program. As such, Go Digital ASEAN - Philippines piloted a dedicated training program for senior high school students in select schools in Batangas in partnership with the Teacher's Dignity Coalition – Batangas Chapter. Entitled 'Basta Techy, Easy!', the pilot run focused initially on equipping students with digital jobseeker's tools. The succeeding trainings covering the rest of the modules are now being discussed. Additionally, potential collaboration with DepEd Division of Batangas to reach more students is being explored.

We are encouraged by the positive feedback and inspiring words from both students and teachers in the Batangas pilot. Students and their teachers emphasized the relevance of the topics and of the importance of reaching out to more individuals particularly graduating senior high school students. In this regard, we would like to explore how we can partner with your office to reach more students in CALABARZON.

Please let us know your interest and availability for a meeting. You may contact Patrick Bolaños, Special Projects Officer (E-mail: patrick.bolanos@asiafoundation.org; Mobile: +63917 881 7929) for confirmation and for any questions you may have.

We look forward to your positive response.

Sincerely,

ETHAN GEARY

Deputy Country Representative

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Office of the Regional Director

July 15, 2021

ETHAN GEARY

Deputy Country Representative The Asia Foundation Unit 2001 Greenfield Tower, Mayflower Street cor. Williams Street Greenfield District, Mandaluyong City 1534

> Attention: **Patrick Bolanos**

> > Special Projects Officer

Dear Mr. Geary:

Warm Greetings from DepEd Region IV-A.

This is in response to your letter dated May 17, 2021 regarding your intent to partner with this Office for the Go Digital ASEAN project designed to equip the graduating Grade -12 students with digital skills and tools with your mantra "Basta Techy, Easy".

Upon confirming this matter with Mr. Patrick Bolanos, your representative via teleconference, and as stated in the preceding communication, The Asia Foundation intends to magnify your program in reaching out more students through a partnership.

This Office welcomes such initiative from a prospective partner and would be glad to know more about the project through a proposal to be presented by your Team through a video conference. Please send us your draft Memorandum of Agreement or Understanding which will form part of our discussion during the scheduled virtual meeting on agreed schedule.

We look forward for a successful partnership program with your Institution.

Very truly yours

FRANCIS CESAR B. BRINGAS Regional Director

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