

# ASEAN CIVIL SOCIETY CONFERENCE/ ASEAN PEOPLES' FORUM 2017

## First Regional Consultation Meeting

15-17 February 2017

Villa Consuelo Retreat House

King John St., Del Rey Ville 2, Camarin, Caloocan City, Philippines

### Objectives:

1. To reach unities for ACSC/APF 2017 and beyond based on a rethinking and reconceptualization of CSO engagement with ASEAN;
2. To discuss and finalize the proposed theme of the ACSC/APF 2017; and
3. To constitute the regional committees, define their respective terms of references, and come up with proposed action plans for 2017; and
4. To develop alternative modes of regional integration based on a people-to-people interactions and networking.

## PROGRAMME

**Day 1: February 15, 2017**

**Moderator: Ron de Vera, AFAD<sup>1</sup>**

### AM Session

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| 8:00  | 8:30  | Registration   | Interim Secretariat  |
| 8:30  | 8:45  | Preliminaries  |  |
| 8:45  | 9:45  | Culturatic Opening Salvo <sup>2</sup>  | Cultural Committee with Teatrong Bayan   |
|       |       | GROUP PICTURE  |  |
| 9:45  | 10:45 | Opening Remarks  | Jelen Paclarin<br>Chair, Regional Steering Committee<br>Executive Director, WLB <sup>3</sup>                                   |
|       |       | Working Break: SNACK @ 10:30 AM  |  |
| 10:45 | 11:00 | Situation and Perspectives on the Philippines and ASEAN <sup>4</sup>                                   | Princess Nemenzo<br>National Coordinator, WHP <sup>5</sup><br>Co-Convener, DIGNIDAD <sup>6</sup><br>Philwomen on ASEAN Network |
| 11:00 | 12:00 | Panel Discussion:<br>South East Asian Perspectives on Civil Society Engagement with ASEAN <sup>7</sup> | Ed Tadem<br>Co-Convener, Philippine NOC<br>President, FDC <sup>8</sup>   |
|       |       |  | Chalida Tajaroensuk<br>Director, PEF <sup>9</sup>  |
|       |       |  | (TBC) <sup>10</sup>  |

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| 12:00                    | 12:30 | OPEN FORUM   | Magz Maglana  |
| 12:30                    | 1:30  | LUNCH  |   |
| <b><u>PM Session</u></b> |       |  |   |
| 1:30                     | 1:40  | Call to Order  |   |
| 1:40                     | 2:00  | Workshop Orientation<br>Guide Questions <sup>11</sup>    | Magz Maglana  |
| 2:00                     | 5:00  | Workshop:<br>5 Convergence Space Groupings <sup>12</sup> | Facilitators:<br>Ron de Vera (AFAD)<br>Chang Jordan (WLB)<br>Raquel Castillo (SPELL) <sup>13</sup><br>Amihan Abueva (CRC-Asia) <sup>14</sup><br>Hope Tura (Save the Children) |
|                          |       | Working break: SNACK @ 3:30PM                            |   |
| 5:00                     | 6:00  | Plenary: Workshop Report                                 | Reporter per group  |
| 6:00                     | 6:30  | Synthesis  | Magz Maglana  |
| 7:00                     | 9:00  | DINNER SOLIDARITY NIGHT <sup>15</sup>                    | Cultural Committee  |

**Day 2: February 16, 2017 Moderator: Jay Martin Abiola, AsiaDHRRA<sup>16</sup>**

**AM Session**

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| 8:00  | 8:30  | Call to Order  |   |
| 8:30  | 9:00  | Overview of Day 2 Agenda   | Myrna Dominguez, IRDF <sup>17</sup>   |
| 9:00  | 10:00 | Introduction of the following <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RSC 2017</li> <li>• Host NOC/EXECOM</li> <li>• Interim Secretariat</li> <li>• Program Committee</li> <li>• Drafting Committee</li> <li>• ICOM Committee</li> <li>• Cultural Committee</li> <li>• Finance Committee</li> <li>• Mobilization Committee</li> </ul> | Jelen Paclarin<br>Ed Tadem<br>Angging Aban<br>Lead Interim Secretariat<br>Myrna Dominguez<br>Mark Pascual, APRN <sup>18</sup><br>Maris Cruz, IPD <sup>19</sup> /Dignidad<br>Joseph Purugganan, Focus-Phils<br>Evelyn Balais, PAHRA <sup>20</sup><br>Cipriano Fampulne, AKKKMA <sup>21</sup> |
| 10:00 | 10:30 | Presentation of Budget   | Angging Aban  |
| 10:30 | 10:45 | Break: SNACK   |   |
| 10:45 | 11:30 | Plenary: Presentation and approval of theme  | Ed Tadem  |

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| 11:30                    | 12:00 | Plenary: Presentation of Logo  | Ryan Silverio, ASC <sup>22</sup>  |
| 12:00                    | 1:00  | LUNCH  |   |
| <b><u>PM Session</u></b> |       |  |   |
| 1:00                     | 1:15  | Call to Order  |   |
| 1:15                     | 1:45  | Plenary: Approval of New Committees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cultural Committee</li> <li>• ICOM Committee</li> </ul>   | Jelen Paclarin  |
| 1:45                     | 3:30  | Plenary: Discussion and Approval of Committee TORs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RSC</li> <li>• Program Committee</li> <li>• Drafting Committee</li> <li>• ICOM Committee</li> <li>• Cultural Committee</li> <li>• Finance Committee</li> </ul> | Jelen Paclarin<br>Agnes Matienzo, MFA <sup>23</sup><br>Mark Pascual<br>Maris Cruz<br>Joseph Purugganan<br>Evelyn Balais |
| 3:30                     | 5:30  | Break-out Session: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Constitution and Action Planning of Regional Committees<sup>24</sup></li> </ul> <p>Working Break: SNACK @ 3:30 PM</p>  | Committee Heads   |
| 5:30                     | 6:00  | Plenary: Reporting and Approval of Committee Action Plans  | Ed Tadem  |
| 6:00                     | 6:30  | Community Visit Orientation  | Cipriano Fampulne, AKKKMA<br>Mobilization Committee   |

**Day Three: February 17, 2017**

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| 9:00 | 3:00 | Community Visit <sup>25</sup> | Mobilization, Cultural, & Program Committees |
| 4:00 | 5:00 | Collective Reflection         | Raquel Castillo, SPELL                       |
| 5:00 | 5:15 | Closing Remarks               | Philippine NOC                               |

**FOR RSC Members and interested participants<sup>26</sup>**

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|-------|-------|--------------------------------|-----|
| 10:00 | 11:00 | Dialogue with Phil. Government | RSC |
| 11:00 | 12:00 | Press Conference               | RSC |
| 1:00  | 3:00  | RSC Meeting                    | RSC |

## END NOTES

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<sup>1</sup>Asian Federation against Involuntary Disappearances

<sup>2</sup>The Culturatic opening salvo and group picture will be done in the Pavilion. After these, we will proceed to the Conference Hall.

<sup>3</sup>Women's Legal and Human Rights Bureau

<sup>4</sup>Objective: To present the micro-macro context of ACSC/APF 2017

<sup>5</sup>Women Health Philippines

<sup>6</sup>Buhay na may Dignidad para sa Lahat (Life with Dignity for All)

<sup>7</sup>Objective: To present CSO perspectives on alternative ASEAN regional integration

<sup>8</sup>Freedom from Debt Coalition

<sup>9</sup>Peoples' Empowerment Foundation

<sup>10</sup>One more speaker but has not confirmed yet

<sup>11</sup> Guide questions:

1. Based on your sectoral/thematic issues, how will you describe an "alternative" ASEAN regional integration model? (principles, strategy, structure, composition)
  - **Working definition of alternative:**  
**Alternative and non-mainstream practices encompassing economic, political, and socio-cultural aspects whose objective is to challenge mainstream practices and eventually replace conventional models of development. To do this requires the coming and working together of grassroots organizations, local communities, CSOs, and social movements.**
2. Based on the working definition of alternative practices, cite alternative practices in your country or community.
3. How do you propose to make ASEAN alternative regional integration participatory, inclusive, and grounded on peoples' experiences? Can you cite specific country experiences?
4. Based on the examples cited above, what would be the ideal structure/mechanism to achieve the vision of an alternative ASEAN regional integration model?

<sup>12</sup> Convergence Spaces:

The convergence space concept is designed for the APF/ACSC to provide space for organizations, groups and networks working on interrelated/similar issues to come together and collectively discuss a common issue which they could advance/support/develop as a regional campaign. The focus is built primarily around strategy sessions in order to develop core output/s for each convergence space. The idea is also to encourage inter-organizational efforts and contribute to strengthening peoples' solidarity and movement building.

1. Corporate greed and power (trade, climate, corporate governance, migration, resource grabs and food sovereignty)
2. Human rights & access to justice (human rights, food security, participatory democracy, access to justice)
3. Labor mobility and mixed migration in ASEAN (labor migration, abandoned families, marriage migration, mixed/dynamic migration, climate displacement)
4. Peace & human security (peace and security, militarization, territorial dispute/conflict)
5. Decent jobs, guaranteed essential services, and social protection for all (jobs, livelihood, social protection, and essential services)

<sup>13</sup>Sustainability and Participation through Education and Lifelong Learning

<sup>14</sup>Children's Rights Coalition Asia

<sup>15</sup> REMINDERS:

- Country NOCs and regionals are **encouraged** to prepare presentations for the solidarity night.
- Everyone, especially those who are not staying overnight are encouraged to actively take part in and finish the solidarity night.

<sup>16</sup>Asian Partnership for the Development of Human Resources in Rural Asia

<sup>17</sup>Integrated Rural Development Foundation

<sup>18</sup>Asia Pacific Research Network

<sup>19</sup>Institute for Popular Democracy

<sup>20</sup>Philippine Alliance of Human Rights Advocates

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<sup>21</sup>Aksyon sa Kahandaan sa Kalamidad at Klima (Action for Calamity and Climate Preparedness)

<sup>22</sup>ASEAN SOGIE Caucus

<sup>23</sup>Migrant Forum in Asia

<sup>24</sup>NOTE: Due to the lack of subsidy to all NOC committees, hence to address the lack of representation in all committees, committee groupings will be as follows:

- Program & Cultural Committee
- Drafting & ICOM Committee
- Finance Committee

<sup>25</sup>Community Visit will be done simultaneous with the RSC activity.

<sup>26</sup>NOTE: Only 30 people can be accommodated.