



MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT
MIMAROPA Local Governance Resource Center
Multi-Sectoral Advisory Committee

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

This Memorandum of Agreement entered into this _____ day of _____ 2021, Quezon City, Philippines by and between:

The **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT MIMAROPA Regional Office (RO)**, with office address of 822 Quezon Avenue, Barangay Paligsahan, Quezon City represented in this Agreement by its Regional Director, **WILHELM M. SUYKO, CESO IV** hereinafter referred to as **DILG MIMAROPA Regional Office (RO)**

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The **DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES MIMAROPA Regional Office (RO)**, with the office address of 1515 L&S Bldg., Roxas Blvd. Ermita, Manila represented in this Agreement by its Regional Director, **MARIA LOURDES G. FERRER, CESO III** hereinafter referred to as **LGRC Stakeholder**.

WITNESSETH THAT;

WHEREAS, the DILG is mandated to develop the capabilities of local government units (LGUs) to transform them into self-reliant communities in line with the principles of decentralization and local autonomy;

WHEREAS, the DILG is committed to carry out its responsibility of strengthening the management and technical competencies of local officials and functionaries by providing them access to local governance;

WHEREAS, the DILG MIMAROPA RO is committed to sustain its effort of developing LGU capacities through sharing knowledge, learning and experience as well as replication of good practices in local governance;

WHEREAS, the DILG MIMAROPA RO recognizes the need for the establishment of a Local Governance Resource Center (LGRC) that will serve as a dynamic center of learning, a multimedia program for knowledge sharing on local governance and as complementary strategy in developing LGU capacities;

WHEREAS, the DILG MIMAROPA RO endeavors to provide a mechanism where provincial line agencies and other institution can converge and harmonize its programs for local governments;

WHEREAS, the DILG MIMAROPA RO and the LGRC Multi-stakeholder agree to jointly pool knowledge and expertise in local governance;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, the parties hereby agree to bind themselves as members of the **“MIMAROPA Multi-Sectoral Advisory Committee”** hereinafter referred to as **“MSAC”** with the **DILG MIMAROPA RO** as the **Lead Agency** and the **LGRC Stakeholder** as one of the **Member Agencies/ Organizations**.

and under the following terms:

ARTICLE I. FUNCTIONS OF THE MSAC

To ensure the functionality and dynamism of the LGRC, the MSAC shall:

1. Advise the MIMAROPA Local Governance Resource Center on policies and strategic directions to improve its operations to include the development of knowledge products and services;
2. Provide technical assistance to other stakeholders on knowledge management;
3. Share knowledge products that are classified as open documents related to local governance to the LGRC and its multi-stakeholders;
4. Identify and propose opportunities to strengthen convergence and harmonize various programs of regional line agencies and other institutions that would contribute in developing local governments' capacities;
5. Provide resource persons for various capability training programs related to local governance; and
6. Meet regularly or as the need arises to assess the operations and ensure the dynamism of the LGRC and its responsiveness to the information/learning needs of the region.

ARTICLE II. EFFECTIVITY

This agreement shall take effect immediately upon signing by the parties hereto. Either party to this MOA may initiate termination of this Agreement in the event of a default by the other party in performing its obligations herein defined or by any other cause, subject to mutual consent of the parties.

ARTICLE III. OTHER PROVISIONS

The LGRC-MSAC shall adhere to the Data Privacy Act of 2012 and other similar relevant laws as well as to the provision on the confidentiality, security and protection of any information or data.

The LGRC Stakeholder herein referred to shall now form part of the existing MIMAROPA Multi-Sectoral Advisory Committee (MSAC) which serves as the advisory entity of the Local Governance Resource Center (LGRC) of DILG MIMAROPA RO in so far as policy directions, operational strategies as well as in the development of products and services that promote excellence in local governance.

Any and all revisions, modifications and/or amendments of the terms and conditions of this MOA shall be made in writing subject to mutual consent of all the parties thereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto set their hands this ____ day of _____, in Quezon City.

WILHELM M. SUYKO, CESO IV
Regional Director
DILG MIMAROPA RO

MARIA LOURDES G. FERRER, CESO III
Regional Director
DENR MIMAROPA RO

SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF:

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
Quezon City

BEFORE ME, a notary public, for and in the above jurisdiction, personally appeared on this _____.

Name	Position	Agency
WILHELM M. SUYKO, <i>CESO IV</i>	Regional Director	DILG MIMAROPA RO
MARIA LOURDES G. FERRER, <i>CESO III</i>	Regional Director	DENR MIMAROPA RO

Known to me to be the persons who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to me is his/her free and voluntary act and deed.

The parties have signed this Memorandum of Agreement consisting of three (3) pages, including the page where the acknowledgement is written, and their instrumental witness left margin of each and every page.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand on the date and place above written.

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