



PUBLIC WEBINAR ON CODE RED: THE STATE OF CLIMATE AND HUMANITY

Klima ng Kinabukasan: Ating Alagaan

In Observance of the National Climate Change Consciousness Week

November 23, 2021, 8:30AM – 3:00PM, via Zoom Platform

RATIONALE

Adaptation to climate change is a rapidly growing challenge, particularly for developing countries like the Philippines. The Philippines is one of the global “hotspots” vulnerable to climate change impact given its geographic location and archipelagic character.

Even if greenhouse gas emissions are reduced significantly in the coming years, climate change impacts such as gradual temporal and spatial shifts in resources, as well as drought, floods, severe weather events and sea-level rise are likely to result in food shortages, increases in vector borne diseases, infrastructure damage, and the degradation of natural resources. The poor will be affected disproportionately, and development choices today will influence the adaptive capacity of people and their governments well into the future. We cannot afford to delay adaptation planning and action to ensure that maladaptation does not exacerbate adverse climate impacts and impede sustainable development. There is likewise a need to shift our development pathways into low-carbon, energy efficient and more sustainable growth to significantly contribute to the reduction of greenhouse gases that cause global warming.

In view of the intensifying impacts of climate change, the rapid developments in climate change science and state of the art responses needed, it is important for the whole-of-society and whole-of-nation approach to update and share knowledge, awareness, practical experience and skills and to be able to actively support national and local efforts in addressing the impacts of climate change besetting different localities given the current and emerging realities and challenges.

The recently released 6th Assessment Report by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) particularly, on the contribution of Working Group 1 – Climate Change 2021: The Physical Science Basis, gives us a clear signal that urgent climate action is indeed imperative. The report projects that in the coming decades climate change will be bringing multiple different changes in different regions which will all increase with further warming. As stated by IPCC Working Group 1 Co-Chair Valerie Masson-Delmotte, “This report is a reality check which provides us a much clearer picture of the past, present and future climate, which is essential for understanding where we are headed, what can be done, and how we can prepare.”

DATE AND VENUE/METHODOLOGY

In observance of the country’s celebration of this year’s Climate Change Consciousness Week in November with the theme, *Klima ng Kinabukasan: Ating Alagaan*, the DENR Climate Change Service through the CCITSD shall organize a public webinar on **Code Red: The State of**

Climate and Humanity on November 23, 2021 via Zoom platform mainly through powerpoint presentations, reactions from panelists and open discussion. The webinar shall highlight the key findings and outcomes from the IPCC 6th Assessment Report specifically, on the Physical Science Basis. DENR colleagues shall also present the implications of climate change to the relevant major ENR (environment and natural resources) sectors and cite related initiatives to address these. Moreover, as the event shall mainly address the youth participants, representatives from notable environmental and climate change youth groups in the country as well as the Climate Change Commission will share their responses and statements. More importantly, the webinar shall be teeming with constant calls to urgent climate action from all speakers.

OBJECTIVES

The webinar generally aims to present the key findings and outcomes of the IPCC 6th Assessment Report: The Physical Science Basis in a more laymanized and comprehensible form primarily to the youth sector. It is expected that findings from the Report would increase their awareness, facilitate understanding and appreciation of the current state of the climate with the end in view of providing the impetus for urgent climate action in the Philippine context.

Further, with the presentations on the implications of climate change to the ENR sectors and sharing of responses from the youth groups and the Climate Change Commission, it is expected that these will widen their perspectives in terms of identifying relevant entry points, opportunities and prospects on how the youth sector can actively participate and significantly contribute to the cause of addressing climate change. Ultimately, the webinar hopes to explore and identify practical recommendations for the youth sector to help strengthen national policies and programs to ensure a climate-resilient and sustainable development in the country.

PARTICIPANTS AND RESOURCE PERSONS

At least 100 participants/representatives from the various environmental and climate change youth groups and organizations and academic science clubs are expected to attend the webinar. Distinguished representatives from the DENR and the Climate Change Commission and well-renowned youth leaders and advocates on environmental protection and climate change will be invited. The DENR Climate Change Service (CCS) through the CCITSD shall assist in providing the necessary logistical support.

BUDGETARY REQUIREMENTS

All expenses to be incurred relative to the conduct of the webinar including but not limited to meals, supplies, internet services, communication services, and others, shall be charged against the funds of the Climate Change Service-CCITSD, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

WEBINAR LINK

Please be guided by the following webinar link:

<https://zoom.us/j/96743665946?pwd=RTlnWXh4WkQ3ZVp0MThvNWdzODRzUT09>

Meeting ID: 967 4366 5946

Passcode: CodeRed

Provisional Program
National Climate Change Consciousness Week
"Klima ng Kinabukasan: Ating Alagaan"
Public Webinar on Code Red: The State of Climate and Humanity
November 23, 2021
9AM – 3PM

Time	Activity/Topic	Proposed Resource Person/s	Duration
8:30 – 9:00AM	Registration Videos	DENR- CCS	30min
SESSION 1: INTRODUCTION			
9:00 – 9:05	Prayer Philippine National Anthem	DENR- CCS	5min
9:05 – 9:15	Opening Remarks	Atty. Analiza Rebuelta-Teh Undersecretary for Finance, Information System and Climate Change, DENR	10min
9:15 – 9:20	Acknowledgment of Participants Objectives and Agenda Group Photo	DENR - CCS	5min
SESSION 2: CLIMATE CHANGE 2021: THE PHYSICAL SCIENCE BASIS			
9:20 – 9:50	Presentation on the IPCC Sixth Assessment Report: The Physical Science Basis (IPCC AR6)	Mr. John Leo Algo Member, Interim Secretariat, cvAksyon Klima Pilipinas Deputy Executive Director for Programs and Campaigns Living Laudato Si' Philippines	30min
9:50 – 10:00	Q&A	Facilitator: DENR - CCS	10min
SESSION 3: IMPLICATIONS OF CLIMATE CHANGE TO THE PHILIPPINES: ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES SECTORS, KEY INITIATIVES, AND CALL TO ACTION			
10:00 – 10:30	Biodiversity	Ms. Rowena Bolinas Chief, Policy, Program Planning and Monitoring Section Biodiversity Policy and Knowledge Management Division Biodiversity Management Bureau	30min
10:30 – 10:50	Forestry	Mr. Marcial C. Amaro, Jr., CESO III DENR Assistant Secretary for Policy, Planning and Foreign-Assisted and Special Projects and, Director, in concurrent capacity Forest Management Bureau	20min
10:50 – 11:10	Air/Water/Waste	CDR. Carlo D. Dacera, EnP, PMRD PN (RES) Senior Environmental Management Specialist Environmental Management Bureau – Caraga Regional Office	20min
11:10 – 11:30	Water Resources	Dr. Seville D. David, CESO III Executive Director National Water Resources Board	20min
11:30 – 11:45	Q&A	Facilitator: DENR - CCS	15min

Intermission/Announcement			
11:45 – 12:00	Presentation on Globe Telecom's Camp Kalikasan app	Globe Telecom, Inc.	15min
12:00 – 1:00 PM	LUNCH BREAK		45min
SESSION 4: RESPONSES AND CALL TO ACTION			
1:00 – 2:15PM	Responses and Call to Action	Mr. Rodne Galicha Convenor, Aksyon Klima Pilipinas Executive Director, Living Laudato Si'	15min
		Ms. Marinel S. Ubaldo, RSW Advocacy Officer for Ecological Justice Campaign and Youth Engagement Living Laudato Si' Philippines	15min
		Mr. Ronald Magsakay Founder and Executive Director E-kwento PH	15min
		Mr. Vincent Nuñez Cotoron, MSCM, CBP, NACE-CCI2 Environmental Management Specialist I Environmental Management Bureau – Caraga Regional Office	15min
		Atty. Rachel Anne S. Herrera Commissioner Climate Change Commission	
2:15 – 2:30	Open Forum	Facilitator: DENR - CCS	15min
2:30 – 2:40	Synthesis and Conclusion	DENR-CCS	10min
2:40 – 2:50	Post-event Survey		10min
2:50 – 3:00	Closing Remarks	Dir. Elenida dR Basug DENR Climate Change Service	10min