

Department of Environment and Natural Resources Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau

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MEMORANDUM

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Regional Executive Director

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The Director

SUBJECT

INVITATION TO THE 18th NATIONAL BIOTECHNOLOGY

WEEK

Pursuant to Proclamation No.1414 s. 2007, the last week of November was declared as National Biotechnology Week (NBW). This authorized seven (7) executive departments of the government, namely, Departments of Agriculture (DA), Education (DepEd), Health (DOH), Interior and Local Government (DILG), Science and Technology (DOST), Trade and Industry (DTI), and Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) including the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) to craft a meaningful celebration that will showcase biotechnology and its beneficial application in science and technology, agriculture and food security, nutrition and health, economic growth, and sustainable environment.

For this year's celebration, DTI spearheads the 18th NBW with the theme "Responding to the Challenges: Business Opportunities in Biotechnology". The DENR, through the Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau (ERDB), shall spearhead the *Enviotech* activities - the Technology Forum and the *Enviocon*. In line with this, we would like to invite a maximum of two (2) participants from your office to join the Technology Forum featuring the DENR's generated biotechnologies. This shall be held on November 23, 2022, 9:00 - 11:00 AM at the Philippine Trade Training Center, Pasay City. Participants may register through this link https://tinyurl.com/REGenviotech2022.

Further, we would like to invite your personnel's help in inviting Filipino youth aged 12 to 17 years old to join the **Enviocon**, a mobile photo essay contest that shall highlight the contributions of biotechnology to the environment and in creating opportunities for Filipinos. Kindly see the attached draft program for the Enviotech Technology Forum and the promotional materials/mechanics for the Enviocon for your reference. Interested personnel may also check the NBW Facebook page for the schedule of activities for the 18th NBW celebration at http://nbw.gov.ph or @nbwphilippines on Facebook and messenger.

For any concerns, kindly communicate with us through Ms. Myline O. Aparente, ERDB NBW Program, Registration, and Invitation Committee Chair, through erdbtechnotransfer@gmail.com or (049) 536-2269 loc 226.

FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION, PLEASE.

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