

Dear Sir/Madam:

Section 3 © of RA 9184, and its 2016 Revised IRR mandate that all procurement shall be governed by the principle, among others, of having streamlined procurement process that will uniformly apply to all government procurement and shall be simple and made adaptable to advances in modern technology in order to achieve and ensure efficient and effective methods. Section 8.1.1. of the same IRR provides that the PHILGEPS shall serve as the primary and definitive source of information on government procurement, and provides that eventually PHILGEPS continues its modernized efforts to expand its functionalities so that Government may have a fully electronic government procurement system with full functionalities at each stage. As of this time, the Modernized PHILGEPS is on pilot implementation and that full implementation will be realized by 4th quarter 2022 or early 2023.

Given that, and in order to respond to the e-procurement training needs of most entities, E-BLACKBOARDS LEARNING and SOLUTIONS, Inc. (EBLSI) a private company, which has since 2010, been the training provider of the Procurement Service-PHILGEPS, continues to offer the basic Version 1.5 PHILGEPS training, to allow Buyer agencies to create and post bid notices as well as Award notifications, and be compliant with the implementation of RA 9184 provisions, while awaiting full implementation of the MPHILGEPS.

EBLSI provides *tried and tested solutions* for online training on the use of PHILGEPS having successfully launched the conduct of full online classes in time of COVID, using available online platforms that mirror the usual 2-days sessions conducted face-to-face, **facilitated and anchored by Certified PHILGEPS Trainers from different entities nationwide**, using **Zoom** and **Google Meet**, and complemented by the PHILGEPS Learning Management System for tutorial guidance and system use.

Hence, if your agency <u>BAC members</u>, <u>Secretariat and Technical Working Group</u> require <u>PHILGEPS</u> Training for Version 1.5, you are most welcome! Classes will be purely virtual, hence, participants from a confirmed class can consists of procurement officers from different regions, and from varied levels of the bureaucracy, thus can open opportunities for information exchange and sharing of experiences.

Training schedules for the month, which will be on a first confirmed-first served basis, and are available and accessed via our website: https://e-blackboards.com/book-a-class. This is your gateway for training enrollment and registration.

For inquiries and/or clarification, please contact us by email at trainings@e-blackboards.com; or by **telefax** at (02) 7728-6883/ 7002-3207 or you may get in touch via mobile phone numbers 09924718093/09924886489/09924886480.

We hope to see you soon in one of our trainings!

Very truly yours,

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