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FMB SPECIAL ORDER

No. 2023- 329

SUBJECT:

AUTHORIZING THE CONDUCT OF SUSTAINABLE INVESTMENTS IN FORESTRY: NETWORKING AND

LEARNING ON 12 DECEMBER 2023

In the interest of service and in order to promote the initiatives and activities related to forestry investment and also link with potential partners such as financial and insurance corporations, other government agencies and development partners, the conduct of **Sustainable Investments in Forestry: Networking and Learning** on 12 December 2023 in National Capital Region is hereby authorized to be participated by the following FMB officials and personnel:

1.	Arleigh J. Adorable, CESO III	2.	For. Edna D. Nuestro
3.	For. Ildefonso L. Quilloy	4.	For. Ma. Teresa G. Aquino
5.	Atty. Ray Thomas F. Kabigting	6.	For. Kenneth D. Tabliga
7.	For. Alicia L. Castillo	8.	For. Norlito P. Sarmiento
9.	For. Diana Q. Vinarao	10.	For. Aloysius Jan R. Revilla
11.	For. Jhun B. Barit	12.	For. Theresa B. Labapis
13.	For. Danelyn T. Delos Reyes	14.	For. Maria Angela J. Tamoria
15.	For. Randelle Ralph G. Canicosa	16.	Mr. Raymond Vicente M. Juan
17.	For. Janeth F. Borbon	18.	For. Maribel B. Tena
19.	For. Ayesha Chennel B. Abawag	20.	Ms. Frances Nicole A. Lavapie
21.	Ms. Alizza A. Fernandez	22.	Mr. Luke Joshua D. Castro
23.	Ms. Hannah Grace L. Magramo	24.	For. Elise Gabrielle O. Esguerra

25.	For. Yarah V. Garcia	26.	Mr. Aljendrick D. Paningbatan
27.	Mr. Diomar Macabuhay	28.	For. Janelle Colin M. Bautista
29.	Ms. Gloria C. Espaldon	30.	For. Hannah R. Quilloy
31.	Atty. Chester Ervin M. Reyes	32.	Mr. Junier Inabangan
33.	Michael Greg Rabano	34.	Ms. Cherica Gallardo

The FMB shall invite Directors and Chiefs from DENR Central and Field Offices and stakeholders and partners from other government agencies and development partners varying from the private sector and non-governmental organizations to also participate in this event.

All expenses to be incurred shall be chargeable against FMB Fund 101, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

The Forest Investment Development Division shall act as the Secretariat tasked with the documentation of the activity. Also, the General Services Unit (GSU) shall also provide vehicle assistance to the participants of the event.

A report shall be submitted by the Secretariat to the undersigned, within fifteen (15) days upon completion of the activity.

This Order shall take effect on the dates specified herein.

ARLEIGH J. ADORABLE, CESO III
OIC Assistant Secretary for Field Operations Western Mindanao and Director, in concurrent
capacity

'Sustainable Investments in Forestry: Networking and Learning

ACTIVITY DESIGN 12 December 2023 Metro Manila

I. RATIONALE

In accordance with the Executive Order No. 318 entitled (Promoting Sustainable Forest Management in the Philippines), Philippine Master Plan for Climate Resilient Forestry Development, Forestry Investment Road Map (FIRM), and in support to the attainment of the Sustainable Development Goals, the Forest Management Bureau (FMB) through the Forest Investment Development Division (FIDD) highly encourages promotions of the existing and promising forestry investments, hence, the conduct of the Sustainable Investments in Forestry: Networking and Learning is deemed necessary.

The FIDD is mandated to steer the development of forestry-specific investment strategies and opportunities which are aligned with the principles and policies relative to forestry protection, conservation, management and utilization in order to promote equitable use and sustainable development in forestry, including activities that protect and enhance forest carbon sinks and avoid greenhouse gas emissions. Relatively, this activity will feature the forestry investment-related activities and products namely, Forestry Investment Portal also called as "Tagpuan", High-Value Crop (HVC) Insurance Program with the Philippine Crop Insurance Corporation (PCIC), Potential Investment Areas (PIA), and Forestry Tenure Calculator. The activity will also consist of a round table discussion that can serve as an input to the draft forest carbon policy of the Department.

Various participants will be invited to participate in the event such as other government agencies, development partners, and banking institutions. This can serve as a platform to link with them and discuss potential partnership opportunities enabling a sound support mechanism for forestry investment.

II. OBJECTIVES

Generally, this activity shall promote the current forestry investment activities and products. Specifically, this activity aims to:

- a. Reach a wider audience and increase awareness on the various investment-related initiatives of the Bureau:
- Serve as an avenue for introduction, networking, and linkaging to the potential market/investors/partners the capital investments, alternative insurance, and equity mechanism in the forestry sector;
- Populate data on the Tagpuan by making wholesalers and retailers register on-site;
- Secure equity partners and engage with other institutions that would invest in the activities of the Bureau; and

e. Explore other investment opportunities in relation to nature-based solutions and carbon policies.

III. EXPECTED OUTCOMES

At the end of this event, it is expected for the participants to be familiarized with the Forest Investment Development Division - its mandates, projects, activities, and programs, especially its activities/initiatives, such as the: (1) Tagpuan; (2) HVC Insurance Program with PCIC; (3) Potential Investment Areas; and (4) Forestry Tenure Fee Calculator through Audio-Visual Presentation (AVP) materials. Moreover, the activity is expected to generate registered users of the FIP and increase the number of potential investment opportunities with partners.

IV. METHODOLOGY

The activity will be conducted in Metro Manila on 12 December 2023 and FIDD staff shall act as the Secretariat. For the morning session, there will be AVP materials to be generated and presented introducing the FIDD and its activities detailed below that will be followed by a press conference. Two-three booths will also be in place to focus on the Tagpuan, HVC Insurance Program, and Potential Investment Areas. For the afternoon session, there will be brief presentations on predetermined topics on forestry financing to be followed by a panel discussion and networking.

1. Forestry Investment Portal referred as "Tagpuan"

TAGPUAN stands for Tao, Gubat, Puhunan, Ani which precisely describes the mechanism within the portal. It serves as an online one-stop-shop for forestry investments, which aims to attract investors through a more commercially competitive and economically attractive platform wherein Organizations and other forestry beneficiaries can promote and link their forest and agroforestry-based products to potential investors/market. Tagpuan shall provide real time single-point access to information and services on the list of products, Potential Investment Areas (PIAs) and financial/credit facilities or programs and insurance opportunities. It will also act as an online repository of information on PIAs including maps in shapefile format, which may be used as inputs for further forestland analysis and aid to sound policy decision and formulation.

2. High-Value Crop (HVC) Insurance Program

This Program, in partnership with the Philippine Crop Insurance Corporation (PCIC), is a valuable way for farmers to protect their crops and their livelihood. It can help to mitigate the financial losses that farmers may suffer in the event of a natural calamity or other unforeseen event. Also, it covers short-gestating and perennial forestry and agroforestry species, such as bamboo, coffee, falcata, etc. The amount of compensation that a farmer can receive depends on the type of crop, the level of coverage, and the extent of the damage. In

general, farmers can receive up to 120% of the insured value of their crops. Moreover, the coverage shall be on an annual basis, subjected to some considerations such as waiting period and pre-harvest termination of cover for some species.

3. Potential Investment Areas

Assessed and ground delineated production forests for investments by the DENR Regional Offices will be featured including the general profile of the areas, slope, elevation, existing vegetation, climate, and accessibility to market, among others. Showcase of various types of forestry investments and opportunities available in the Philippines will be highlighted, such as forest plantations, ecotourism, grazing, and other ecosystem services. Further, legal and regulatory requirements for forestry investment in the Philippines including permits, licenses, or compliance measures necessary for such operations will be discussed briefly.

4. Forestry Tenure Fee Calculator

This is an online tool for the DENR Field Offices and clients that promotes a convenient and automated way to determine the amount of fees to be paid by the tenure holder based on the information provided. The features of the online calculator include, Calculation of current government share of existing tenure holders and potential/new investors; Calculation of surcharges incurred; and Standard formula of government share of different tenurial instruments are embedded in the system.

V. PARTICIPANTS

The activity shall be participated by the selected representatives from DENR Central Office, FMB, all DENR Field Offices and FMB Partners, to wit:

DENR Central Office:

- 1. Secretary Maria Antonia Yulo-Loyzaga
- 2. Head Executive Assistant Jose Joaquin Y. Loyzaga
- 3. Chief of Staff and Supervising Undersecretary for Strategic Communications Marilou G. Erni
- 4. Undersecretary for Finance, Information Systems and Climate Change Atty. Analiza Rebuelta Teh
- 5. Undersecretary for Policy, Planning and International Affairs Atty. Jonas R. Leones
- 6. Undersecretary for Field Operations Luzon, Visayas and Environment Atty. Juan Miguel T. Cuna
- 7. Undersecretary for Field Operations Mindanao Joselin Marcus E. Fragada
- 8. Undersecretary for Special Concerns and Legislative Affairs Atty. Ignatius Loyola A. Rodriguez

- Undersecretary for Integrated Environmental Science Dr. Carlos Primo C. David
- 10. Assistant Secretary for Policy, Planning and Foreign Assisted and Special Projects Noralene M. Uy
- 11. Assistant Secretary for Field Operations Luzon and Visayas and EMB Director, in concurrent capacity Gilbert C. Gonzales
- 12. Policy and Planning Service Director Cheryl Loise T. Leal

Forest Management Bureau

- 1. Assistant Secretary and Director, in concurrent capacity Arleigh J. Adorable
- 2. Assistant Director Edna D. Nuestro
- 3. Atty. Ray Thomas F. Kabiting
- 4. For. Ildefonso L. Quilloy
- 5. For. Ma. Teresa G. Aguino
- 6. For Kenneth R. Tabliga
- 7. For. Alicia L. Castillo
- 8. For. Norlito P. Sarmiento
- 9. For. Aloysius Jan R. Revilla
- 10. For. Diana Q. Vinarao
- 11. Selected FIDD Staff
- 12. Selected FRCD-EFS Staff

DENR Field Offices

- 1. DENR CAR Regional Executive Director Ralph C. Pablo
- 2. DENR I Regional Executive Director Crizaldy M. Barcelo
- 3. DENR II Regional Executive Director Gwendolyn C. Bambalan
- 4. DENR III Regional Executive Director Paquito T. Moreno
- 5. DENR IV-A Regional Executive Director Nilo B. Tamoria
- 6. DENR NCR Regional Executive Director Jacqueline A. Caancan
- 7. DENR IV-B Regional Executive Director Felix S. Mirasol Jr.
- 8. DENR V Regional Executive Director Francisco E. Milla Jr.
- 9. DENR VI Regional Executive Director Livino B. Duran
- 10. DENR VII Regional Executive Director Paquito D. Melicor Jr.
- 11. DENR VIII Regional Executive Director Lormelyn E. Claudio
- 12. DENR IX Regional Executive Director Arturo E. Fadriquela
- 13. DENR X Regional Executive Director Henry A. Adornado
- 14. DENR XI Regional Executive Director Ma. Mercedes G. Dumagan
- 15. DENR XII Regional Executive Director Felix S. Alicer
- 16. DENR XIII Regional Executive Director Nonito M. Tamayo

Other Government Agencies

- 1. National Economic Development Authority (NEDA)
- 2. Department of Trade and Industry (DTI)
- 3. Department of Trade and Industry Board of Investments

- 4. DTI Bureau of Domestic Trade Promotion (BDTP)
- 5. DTI Bureau of Philippines Standards (BPS)
- 6. DTI One Town, One Product (OTOP)
- 7. Department of Agriculture (DA)
- 8. DA Agricultural Training Institute (ATI)
- 9. DA Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI)
- 10.DA Philippine Center for Postharvest Development and Mechanization (PhilMECH)
- 11. DA Philippine Fiber Industry Development Authority (PhilFIDA)
- 12. DA-KADIWA
- 13. PhilGuarantee Corporation
- 14. Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE)
- 15. Cooperative Development Authority (CDA)
- 16. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)
- 17. Climate Change Commission (CCC)
- 18. Philippine Crop Insurance Corporation (PCIC)
- 19. Agricultural Credit Policy Council (ACPC)
- 20. Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas

Development Partners

- 1. Sen. Imee Marcos
- 2. Congressman Jose "Pepito" Alvarez
- SM Supermalls
- 4. Robinsons Lands
- 5. United States Agency for International Development (USAID)
- 6. Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
- 7. United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- 8. Non-Timber Forest Products Exchange Programme (NTFP-EP) Philippines
- 9. Non-Timber Forest Products Exchange Programme (NTFP-EP) Asia
- 10. Management Association of the Philippines (MAP)
- 11. Marubeni Philippines Corporation
- 12. Dacon Corporation
- 13. Shell Pilipinas Corporation
- 14. Forest Foundation Philippines (FFP)
- 15. Embassy of Canada
- 16. U.S. Embassy in the Philippines
- 17. Embassy of Japan
- 18. Australian Embassy Philippines
- 19. Banco De Oro Unibank, Inc.
- 20. Ayala Land Inc.
- 21. Sustainable Interventions for Biodiversity, Ocean and Landscapes (SIBOL) Consortium
- 22. Sustainable Interventions for Biodiversity, Ocean and Landscapes (SIBOL) REECS
- 23. Holcim Philippines, Inc.

- 24. Landbank of the Philippines (LBP)
- 25. Go Negosyo
- 26. Integrated Forest Management Association of the Philippines (IFMAP)
- 27. Mosser Environment Corporation
- 28. Philippine Wood Producers Association
- 29. Philippine Export Furniture Sector
- 30. E. Pelaez Ranch Inc.
- 31. National CBFM PO Federation WAMVIPO Agro Forestry Development Association
- 32. Novawood Forest Industries Corporation
- 33. Richmond Plywood Corporation
- 34. Chamber of Furniture Industries of the Philippines
- 35. University of the Philippines Los Baños Interdisciplinary Studies Center for Integrated Natural Resources and Environment Management (UPLB-INREM)
- 36. Forestry Development Center
- 37. UPLB-College of Forestry and Natural Resources
- 38. Society of Filipino Foresters, Inc.
- 39. Foundation for the Philippine Environment
- 40. Chamber of Furniture Industries of the Philippines
- 41. Foundation for Economic Freedom
- 42. Auro Chocolate
- 43. Kennemer Foods International, Inc.
- 44. Dole Philippines, Inc.
- 45. Mars, Incorporated
- 46. Jollibee Foods Corporation
- 47. PrimeWater Infrastructure Corporation
- 48. Philippine Exporters Confederation, Inc. (PHILEXPORT)
- 49. Zuellig Family Foundation
- 50. Global Green Growth Institute
- 51. GCash (Mynt-Globe Fintech Innovations, Inc.)
- 52. Aboitiz Equity Ventures Inc.
- 53. Energy Development Corporation (EDC)

Financial and Insurance Corporations

- 1. S&P Global
- 2. World Bank
- 3. Asian Development Bank Inc. (ADB)
- 4. Landbank of the Philippines (LBP)
- 5. BDO Unibank, Inc.
- 6. Metrobank
- 7. UBX
- 8. UnionDigital Bank
- 9. Union Bank
- 10. Security Bank Corporation
- 11. Robinsons Bank

- 12. Rizal Commercial Banking Corporation (RCBC)
- 13. Bank of the Philippine Islands (BPI)
- 14. Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP)

VI. BUDGETARY REQUIREMENTS

This activity requires an amount of PHP 1,600,000.00 which shall cover the following expenses for the service provider including the Stage Design, Lights and Sounds, AVPs, Lease of venue and representation charged against FIDD Funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

VII. PROPOSED PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

Time	Activity	Responsible Person	
05:00 AM -10:00 AM	Ingress: Setting-up of the Venue		
10:00 AM -10:30 AM	Arrival/Registration of Participants	FIDD Secretariat	
10:30 AM - 10:40 AM	Opening Ceremonies/ Acknowledgement of Participants	Host	
10:40 AM - 10:55 AM	Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the Opening of the Exhibit	All DENR Officials and other Dignitaries to be led by Senator Imee R. Marcos	
10:55 AM - 11:10 AM	Opening Remarks and Introduction to the Keynote Speaker	Assistant Secretary Arleigh J. Adorable, CESO III	
11:10 AM - 11:25 AM	Keynote Address	Secretary Maria Antonia Yulo Loyzaga	
11:25 AM - 11:40 AM	 Situationer of Forestry Investment in the Philippines Launching of the following: Forestry Investment Portal HVC Insurance Program Potential Investment Areas Tenure Fee Calculator 	Audio-Visual Presentation	
11:40 AM - 1:00 PM	Lunch Break		

Time	Activity	Responsible Person
1:00 PM - 1:10 PM	Situationer of Forestry Financing	Atty. Ray Thomas F. Kabigting
1:00 PM - 1:10 PM	Risk Exposure Mapping	S&P Global / National Resilience Council
1:10 PM - 1:20 PM	Parameters in Nature-based Solutions and Carbon Policy	Global Green Growth Institute
1:20 PM - 1:30 PM	Government Guarantees for Private Investors in Forestry	Department of Finance
1:30 PM - 1:50 PM	1st Panel Discussion Panelist: - S&P Global - Global Green Growth Institute - Department of Finance	Moderator: For. Diana Quebral-Vinarao
1:50 PM - 2:00 PM	Sustainable Finance Taxonomy	Securities and Exchange Commission
2:00 PM - 2:10 PM	Overview of Investment Opportunities in the Forestry Sector	Asian Development Bank Inc.
2:10 PM - 2:20 PM	Financing and Loan Programs possible for DENR Partners	BDO Unibank, Inc.
2:20 PM - 2:40 PM	2nd Panel Discussion Panelist: - Securities and Exchange Commission - Asian Development Bank Inc BDO Unibank, Inc.	Moderator: For. Aloysius Jan R. Revilla
2:40 PM onwards	Networking with Forestry Investors and Partners	

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