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FORESTRY DEVELOPMENT CENTER

30 June 2023

Ms. Lormelyn E. Claudio, CESO IV
Regional Executive Director

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Dear Ms. Claudio:

Greetings from Los Banos!

The Forestry Development Center (FDC) of the College of Forestry and Natural Resources, (CFNR-UPLB) is a policy research unit of the University of the Philippines Los Banos which is mandated (through Presidential Decree 1559 of 1978) to conduct basic forest policy researches and provide the national government with recommendations on how to sustainably manage our forest and natural resources amidst global challenges. In support to the need for implementation of nature based solutions to help address climate change, our Center will be organizing the **Forest Carbon Policy Forum: Challenges and Opportunities for Sustainable Nature-Based Climate Solutions through Forest Carbon Projects in the Philippines**. This will be held on **August 25, 2023 , 9AM at Seda Hotel Vertis North, Quezon City**.

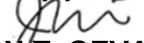
The policy forum aims to provide a venue to: (1) identify policy issues and gaps that slow down forest carbon project development and how can these be addressed; (2) discuss policy(ies) and program (s) that support forest carbon initiatives; (3) establish the potential roles of the non-government organizations and private sectors in the forest carbon project development; and (4) identify next steps to move forest carbon development program forward. Also, the forum hopes to gather together 100 participants coming from the government, private sector, civil society organizations, people's organization and academe.

As a key sector and partner in environmental protection, we would like to invite you to participate on the said forum. Attached is the draft program for your reference. Should have any questions, please do not hesitate to email us at: fdc.uplb@up.edu.ph, or reach us at +63 49 536 2341.

Please accomplish the attached confirmation slip not later 21 July 2023.

Thank you very much and we look forward to your active participation during the forum.

Very truly yours,


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Director, FDC

Noted:


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