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MS. LORMELYN E. CLAUDIO
CESO IV, REGIONAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
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Dear Dir. Claudio,

Greetings!

One of the main interventions of the **Sustainable Interventions for Biodiversity, Oceans, and Landscapes (SIBOL)** Project is the development of **Sukat ng Kalikasan**: a High Conservation Value Area-Natural Capital Accounting (HCVA-NCA) Framework on Protected Area Management. Through the implementation of this framework, ecosystem services valuation and natural capital accounting of selected ecosystems will be conducted at the site and national levels. This will lead to the formulation of long-term economic policies and economic incentives that enable sustainable management of natural resources and promote positive environmental behavior among its managers and users.

Last November 22-25, 2022, around 110 experts convened to discuss and reconfigure the Sukat ng Kalikasan Toolkit. In this workshop, the data needs in the toolkit were validated and the data sources were identified. This year, a series of Focus Group Discussions (FGDs) are being conducted to introduce Sukat ng Kalikasan to national and site-level institutions. These FGDs serve as a platform to solicit inputs from the concerned national government agencies, academic institutions, partners in biodiversity conservation and other stakeholders to further enhance the toolkit for adoption and implementation, and validate the availability of data.

In this regard, we would like to invite two (2) representatives coming from your office to participate in the FGD scheduled on **1 August 2023 (Tuesday), 9:00AM-4:00PM at Puerto Princesa, Palawan (exact venue TBD).**

Prior to the FGD, you may initially review the draft HCVA-NCA Framework Toolkit attached in this email alongside the Provisional Program. For confirmation of attendance and other concerns, your Office may coordinate with Ms. Rhiana Parr of SIBOL Project through r.parr@conservation-innovations.org or +63917-625-8316 .





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Thank you and we hope to see you there!

Sincerely,

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