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**Subject: INVITATION TO THE PHILSA INTEGRATED NETWORK FOR SPACE-  
ENABLED ACTIONS TOWARDS SUSTAINABILITY (PINAS) WORKSHOP**

Dear **Dir. Claudio**,

Greetings from the Philippine Space Agency (PhilSA)!

As a background, PhilSA, under the Office of the President, was created under Republic Act 11363 as the central government agency addressing all national issues and activities related to space science and technology applications (SSTA). In line with this, the PhilSA is tasked to undertake programs that manage, enable, and operate improved resource sharing and access to space facilities and systems.

In this regard, we would like to introduce the PINAS Project to your office which is envisioned to be an active network of institutions and people working together toward sustainability using space data and information. There will be a PINAS workshop on **June 22-23, 2023 at 8:00 am-5:00pm** in the Activity Center, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Academic Building of the City College of Calapan, Calapan City, Oriental Mindoro. In addition, considering recent events, we would like to foster partnerships in addressing the oil spill and other environmental concerns and disasters with the use of space data.

We would like to invite two (2) of your personnel to attend the following activities:

**Day 1: June 22, 2023 (Thursday)**

1. Introduction of PhilSA and its projects
2. Lecture on Remote Sensing (RS) and Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
3. Introduction to PINAS (with mini-workshop)
4. Access to Images and Services of PhilSA

**Day 2 (optional): June 23, 2023 (Friday)**

1. Lecture on the conduct of fieldwork and how they help improve space derived data

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2. Training on the collection of field data using the Open Data Kit (ODK)
3. Demonstration of the use of the Diwata-2 Amateur Radio Unit (ARU) for disaster applications

Please note that there no registration fee and the training materials and food will be provided by the PhilSA. Accommodation and transportation, however, are expected to be covered by participants' sending institutions.

For registration, participants are requested to fill up the form accessed through the following:

**Link:** [bit.ly/pinas-mindoro](https://bit.ly/pinas-mindoro)

**QR Code:**



Registration is on a first come-first-serve basis and is open until **June 9, 2023** only. Registrants who secured a slot will be informed on June 13, 2023, via email. Slots are non-transferrable, and proxies are not allowed into the venue. While the second day of the workshop is optional, we strongly encourage the participants to join to learn more about potential future collaborations.


Registered institutions will be receiving a **geospatial data package**. This package contains satellite images and maps generated by the PhilSA. This will be distributed via USB in the venue.

In addition to this invitation for the workshop, we would also like to invite you or your representative to talk about DENR projects in MIMAROPA that utilize satellite images. You may be given 20 minutes on June 22, 2023 in the morning to discuss details of the project/s or related activities.

For inquiries and concerns, kindly send an e-mail to [pinas@philsa.gov.ph](mailto:pinas@philsa.gov.ph).

Thank you very much and we look forward to your favorable response.

Sincerely,

  
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