



Republic of the Philippines  
**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

April 24, 2017

**MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR  
NO. 2017-63**

**T O : ALL PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY MAYORS, MUNICIPAL MAYORS,  
DILG REGIONAL DIRECTORS AND OTHERS CONCERNED**

**SUBJECT : PCSD'S 3RD NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON SUSTAINABLE  
DEVELOPMENT AND 4TH PALAWAN RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM, TO BE  
HELD ON JULY 27-28, 2017 IN PUERTO PRINCESA CITY**


Among the major activities of the Palawan Council for Sustainable Development (PCSD) in celebration of its 25th year of implementing the Strategic Environment Plan for Palawan (pursuant to Republic Act No. 7611) is the holding of the *3rd National Conference on Sustainable Development and 4th Palawan Research Symposium*, to be held on July 27 to 28, 2017 in Puerto Princesa City, with the theme, "*Conserving Biodiversity, Promoting Green Growth and Sustaining Inclusive Development Based on Science.*"

The research symposium will showcase completed and on-going researches, studies and projects in the Philippines, with a special highlight in Palawan and Puerto Princesa City.

In this connection, all Provincial Governors, City Mayors and Municipal Mayors or their Provincial, City and Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Officers and other LG officials that may be authorized by the concerned LCE are enjoined to attend the said conference. The payment of registration fee (that will cover the cost of meals, snacks and conference materials), travelling expenses and accommodation of local government officials is hereby authorized, chargeable against local funds, and subject to the availability of funds and to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

For other details and clarifications, interested parties may contact the PCSD through its Executive Director Nelson P. Devanadera at Telephone Number (048) 434-4235 or Telefax (048) 434-4234, or Ms. Arica Mortillero at Mobile Number (0946)-9944-298, or through email address: [pcsdresearch@gmail.com](mailto:pcsdresearch@gmail.com).

All DILG Regional Directors are also directed to cause the widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular within their respective jurisdictions.

  
CATALINO S. CUY  
OIC-Secretary



Republic of the Philippines  
(Republic Act No. 7611)

## PALAWAN COUNCIL FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT STAFF

30 March 2017

**SEC. ISMAEL D. SUENO**

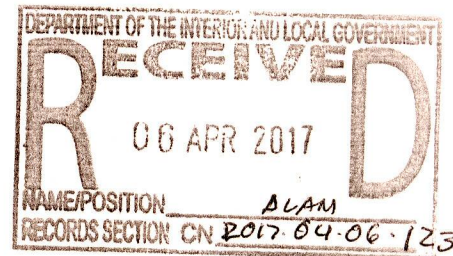
Secretary

Department of Interior and Local Government

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Dear Sec. Sueno:

Greetings from Palawan!

The Palawan Council for Sustainable Development (PCSD) celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> year of implementing the Strategic Environmental Plan for Palawan (Republic Act 7611). Among the major activities of the celebration is the holding of the “3<sup>rd</sup> National Conference on Sustainable Development and 4<sup>th</sup> Palawan Research Symposium” on 27-28 July 2017 in Puerto Princesa City, with the theme “*Conserving Biodiversity, Promoting Green Growth and Sustaining Inclusive Development Based on Science.*”

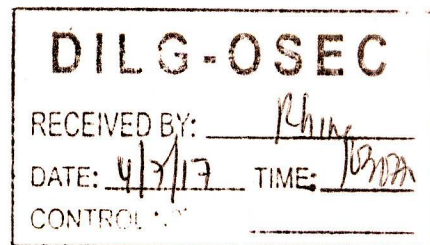
The research symposium will showcase completed or on-going researches, studies and projects in the Philippines with a special highlight in Palawan and Puerto Princesa City. As we would like to promote and encourage the involvement of all sectors (particularly the local government units) in biodiversity conservation and natural resource management, may we seek the Honorable Secretary’s endorsement for the participation of DILG’s constituencies (i.e. cities, municipalities, etc.)? We believe that the participation of the different Local Government Units across the Philippines in this event to witness different research outputs and their policy implications could be of vital importance for the management of their respective jurisdiction.

Attached herewith is our symposium brochure for your reference. For other details and clarifications, you can send your queries through our email address [pcsdresearch@gmail.com](mailto:pcsdresearch@gmail.com) or you may also reach us through our land line (048) 434-4235 or telefax (048) 434-4234.

Thank you very much and hoping for your positive response.

Very truly yours,

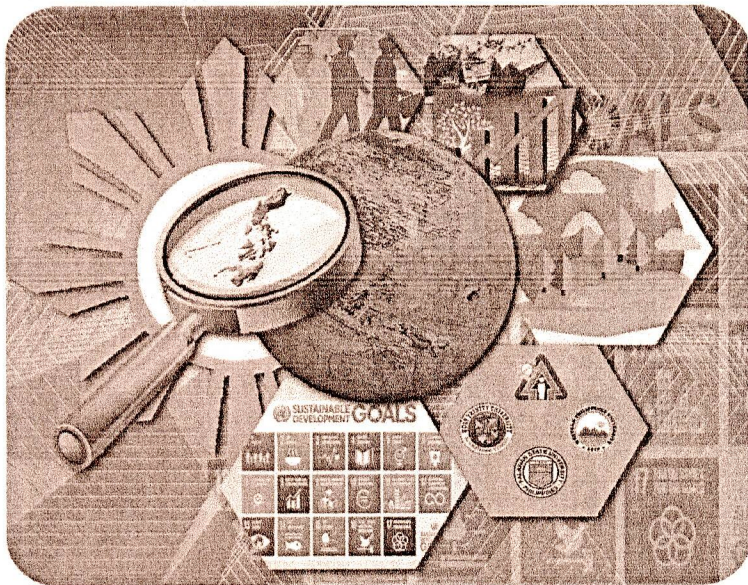
  
**NELSON P. DEVANADERA**  
Executive Director



*Vision:* Palawan, an innovative and dynamic global center of sustainable development  
*Mission:* PCSDS as the driver of environmental conservation and inclusive development in Palawan, a biosphere reserve and science-for-sustainability site, guided by the Strategic Environmental Plan

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# 3rd National Conference on Sustainable Development and 4th Palawan Research Symposium

28-29 July 2017  
Puerto Princesa City, Palawan

*Theme: "Conserving Biodiversity, Promoting Green Growth and Sustaining Inclusive Development Based on Science"*

## Event Objectives:

To present and showcase sustainable development researches, projects and programs undertaken around the country and to assess their policy implications to the country's attainment of the UN's New Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) or UN Agenda 2030; and

To highlight researches and studies as well as completed reports or updates of on-going projects conducted or being currently undertaken in the Province of Palawan and the City of Puerto Princesa and to determine their policy implications to the attainment of Palawan's Sustainable Development Agenda as mandated by Republic Act 7611, consistent to the UN-SDG.

## Categories

### Oral Presentation (National)

- ◆ At least one of the authors or researchers comes from outside Palawan and Puerto Princesa City
- ◆ The study was funded/commissioned by institutions/agencies/ organizations from outside Palawan (or upon the discretion of the steering committee)

### Oral Presentation (Provincial)

- ◆ Locale of the study is within Palawan and
- ◆ All authors are based in Palawan
- ◆ Research funds come from the researcher himself or his mother institution

### Poster Presentation

- ◆ The size of the poster should be 22" (width) by 45" (length) and should be printer/camera-ready (.jpeg/ .png files are preferred)
- ◆ The PCSDS will be in charge of poster printing given that the entries are submitted on or before the prescribed deadline.

## Themes

- ◆ Biophysical, Ecological and Climate Change
- ◆ Socio-cultural, Legal and Political
- ◆ Economic and Technological, Energy, Infrastructure and ICT

## Requirements

- ✓ Open to ALL researchers/ students/ professionals nationwide.
- ✓ Abstract: not more than 450 words, 3-5 key words with name and affiliation of author/s, paper category and theme.
- ✓ Registration Fee: FREE for the first author/ presenter
- ✓ Submit entries by email thru: [ncsd3rd@pcsd.gov.ph](mailto:ncsd3rd@pcsd.gov.ph), copy furnished: [pcsdresearch@gmail.com](mailto:pcsdresearch@gmail.com)

## Registration Fees

- ◆ **Basic Registration Fee** (to cover the cost of meals, snacks and conference materials exclusive of accommodation and tours)
- ◆ Non-refundable fees should be settled on or before 30 June 2017.
- ◆ **FREE registration** for first authors/ presenters of the papers accepted for Oral and Poster Presentations.

Category	Registration Fee
Student	
Local (Palawan)	Php 500.00
National	Php 1,000.00
Researchers/ Professionals	
Local (Palawan)	Php 1,000.00
National	Php 2,000.00
LGUs/ Other Participants	
Local (Palawan)	Php 1,000.00
National	Php 2,000.00

## Modes of Payment

### Payment through bank deposit:

Account Name: PIADPO EMPC  
Account Number: 0562-1075-28  
(Land Bank of the Philippines)

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## Deadlines

**28 May 2017 - Abstracts**

**07 June 2017 – Acceptance notifications for accepted papers**

**30 June 2017 – Extended Abstracts and camera ready posters**

For inquiries, visit us at Palawan Council for Sustainable Development Office, Sports Complex Road, Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City, Palawan or call telephone nos. (048) 434-4235, fax (048) 434-4234 or mobile (0946-9944-298, Ms. Arnica Mortillero).

<https://pcsd.gov.ph/about-pcsd/>

The legitimization of Republic Act 7611 or the Strategic Environmental Plan for Palawan Act launched not only a distinct and proactive law but also introduced a unique body that carries powerful responsibility and locally working only in one province like Palawan. While SEP is a national law, its effectivity covers only Palawan. This body is called the Palawan Council for Sustainable Development (PCSD). The PCSD is a multi-sectoral and inter-disciplinary body, which under the law is charged with the governance, implementation and policy direction of the SEP.

## **FUNCTIONS OF THE COUNCIL**

- Formulate plans and policies as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act;
- Coordinate with the local governments to ensure that the latter's plans, programs and projects are aligned with the plans, programs and policies of the SEP;
- Coordinate with local government and private agencies/organizations for cooperation and assistance in the performance of its functions;
- Arrange, negotiate for, and accept donations, grants, gifts, loans, and other funding from domestic and foreign sources to carry out the activities and purposes of the SEP;
- Recommend to the Congress of the Philippines such matters that may require legislation in support of the objectives of the SEP;
- Delegate its powers and functions to its Support Staff;
- Establish policies and guidelines on compensation and staffing pattern;
- Adopt, amend and rescind such rules and regulations related to the SEP;
- Enforce the provisions of the SEP Law;
- Perform related functions which shall promote the development, conservation, management, protection, and utilization of the natural resources of Palawan

## **COMPOSITION OF THE COUNCIL**

The PCSD is headed by a chairman, which is elected among the members of the Council once every three years, a vice chairman, while the Executive Director of the PCSD Staff acts as the Secretary.

The composition of the Council varies on the prevalent issues and concerns faced for a particular year. From these members, mandated members include the Congressmen from the two districts of Palawan, Governor of Palawan, Deputy Director General of National Economic & Development Authority, Undersecretaries of Department of Environment & Natural Resources, Department of Agriculture, Mayor of Puerto Princesa City, President of League of Municipalities of Palawan, President of Liga ng mga Barangay, representatives from the Office of the President, Palawan Provincial Board, Non-Government Organizations, Military, business, tribal sectors and the Philippine National Police-Provincial Command.