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**Department of Education**  
REGION VIII - EASTERN VISAYAS

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**REGIONAL MEMORANDUM**

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**37<sup>TH</sup> ASEAN COUNCIL OF TEACHERS PLUS ONE CONVENTION**

To: Schools Division Superintendents  
All Others Concerned

1. Attached is Memorandum DM-OUHROD-2023-0823 from Usec. Gloria Jumamil-Mercado and Usec. Revsee A. Escobedo, Undersecretary for Human Resource and Organizational Development and Undersecretary for Operations respectively, dated June 22, 2023, regarding the 37<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Council of Teachers Plus One Convention which will be held on September 15-17, 2023 at The Everly Putrajaya, Putrajaya, Malaysia with the theme: "Leading the Future of Education."
2. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

  
**EVELYN R. FETALVERO, CESO IV**  
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Enclosures: As stated

References: As stated

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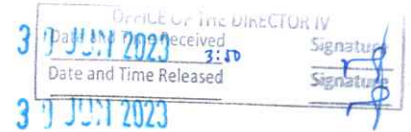


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**MEMORANDUM  
DM-OUHROD-2023-0823**



**TO : Undersecretaries  
Assistant Secretaries  
Regional Directors  
Schools Division Superintendents  
Public Secondary and Elementary School Heads  
All others concerned**

**FROM : GLORIA JUMAMIL-MERCADO**  
*Undersecretary for Human Resource and Organizational Development*

**ATTY. REVSEE A. ESCOBEDO**  
*Undersecretary for Operations*

**SUBJECT : 37<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Council of Teachers Plus One Convention**

**DATE : June 22, 2023**

1. The **ASEAN Council of Teachers Plus One (ACT+1)**, a formal teachers' association of ASEAN countries and Korean Federation of Teachers' Associations (KFTA), will hold its **37<sup>th</sup> ACT+1 Convention** on September 15-17, 2023 at The Everly Putrajaya, Putrajaya, Malaysia with the theme "Leading the Future of Education."

2. The convention aims to improve and enrich the skills and knowledge of teachers about the teaching profession through the following themes:

- Empowering teaching and learning principles in line with today's digital education development.
- Mock teaching experience for digital literacy.
- Transforming education framework for future pedagogy learning of digital education.
- Empowering smart partnership for future classroom.

3. The target participants are elementary and secondary school teachers, school heads/principals, DepEd officials and personnel, and Philippine Public School Teachers Association (PPSTA) officers and trustees.

4. Teachers, teaching-related, and non-teaching personnel may opt to attend the said activity, provided that the classes of attendees, especially teachers, will not be disrupted.

5. For more information, please contact Ms. Maria Leda-Balbas-Astrologo at 8988-1404 or Ms. Espie Zulueta at 0906-2065042.



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*"Bayani ka, gurong Pilipino. Ang PPSTA, kumakalinga sa iyo."*

May 16, 2023

**VP-SEC. SARAH Z. DUTERTE**  
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**Thru: Hon. Gloria Jumamil-Mercado**  
Undersecretary for Human Resource and Organizational  
Development

Dear VP-Sec. Duterte:

Warmest greetings from the **Philippine Public School Teachers Association (PPSTA)**!

PPSTA, our organization, is a founding member of the **ASEAN Council of Teachers (ACT)**, a formal teachers' association of ASEAN countries aimed at promoting closer relationship among teachers in the region and developing their potentials as molders of the youth. The Association is now more commonly known as the **ASEAN Council of Teachers+1 (ACT+1)** since it has admitted into the organization, the Korean Federation of Teachers' Associations (KFTA), the only non-ASEAN regular member. ACT+1 holds conventions annually with the member-organizations taking turns in the hosting thereof. ACT+1 conventions are open to all teachers who want to further improve and enrich their skills as well as knowledge of the teaching profession. For the teachers from the Philippines, they are under the facilitation of PPSTA.

In recent times, PPSTA successfully hosted **the 34<sup>th</sup> ACT+1 Convention** at the **Century Park Hotel in Manila** with the theme, **"Strengthening the Hallmarks of Excellence in Education through ASEAN+1 Teachers' Integration"**. The event gained the full support of the Department with the former DepEd Secretary, Dr. Leonor Briones, formally opening the event. The following year, the convention was hosted by the Brunei Malay Teachers' Association (BMTA) in Brunei. Due to the pandemic, the council did not hold conventions for 2020 and 2021 but last year, it was revived with the Teachers' Association of the Republic of Indonesia (PGRI) effectively handling the event.

This year will be the turn of the **National Union of the Teaching Profession (NUTP) of Malaysia** to host the event which will be held on **September 15-17, 2023** at **The Everly Putrajaya** with the theme: **"Leading the Future of Education"**. Leaders of member-organizations render presentations connected with the main theme. Further, there is a social night more commonly referred to as the **"Friendship Night"** where the delegates get to socialize or interact with their colleagues in the profession not only from the country but from the member-organizations in the Southeast Asian Region and Korea. Furthermore, **Parallel Sessions** are integral parts of all ACT+1 Conventions where representatives from the member-organizations discussed sub-themes derived from the main theme. Here are the sub-themes for this year:

- Empowering Teaching and Learning Principles in line with Today's Digital Education Development
- Mock Teaching Experience for Digital Literacy
- Transforming Education Framework for Future Pedagogy Learning of Digital Education
- Empowering Smart Partnership for Future Classroom

In light of this, we come to you Madam Vice-President and DepEd Secretary to allow DepEd Teachers, Personnel and Officials who want to become part of the convention to attend the same in Putrajaya, Malaysia on the dates above-stated, on **OFFICIAL TIME**. After all, they will be attending the same for their professional development through exposure to various trends and best practices from counterpart teachers in the ASEAN regions. Ultimately, this will redound to the benefit of our learners.

Should you have questions or clarifications, please feel free to reach our Secretariat through Ms. Maria Leda Balbas-Astrologo at 8988-1404/0915-3322264 or Ms. Espie Zulueta at 0906-2065042.

For your consideration.

Thank you very much.

**Very truly yours,**

  
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