

**National Project Launching Workshop on the Role of Micro-, Small- and Medium- Enterprises (MSMEs) in achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in the Philippines**

**Towards Implementing the Youth Entrepreneurship Programme**

City Garden Grand Hotel, Makati City, Manila, Philippines

**Agenda**

**3 April 2019**

**8:30 – 9:00 am: REGISTRATION**

**9:00 – 9:30 am: OPENING**

*Opening remarks:*

- *Undersecretary ZENAIDA C. MAGLAYA, DTI-Regional Operations Group, Chair, MSMEDC Committee on Management and Labor Capacities*

*Welcome remarks*

- *Mr. OLA ALMGREN, United Nations Resident Coordinator in the Philippines*

**9:30 – 10:45 am Session I: Youth Entrepreneurship Programme**

The session will present the Philippines Youth Entrepreneurship Programme to the participants and give an overview of the programme and intended activities. It will also present the main findings from the mapping of youth-related policies and initiatives that could potentially provide synergies for implementing the Youth Entrepreneurship Programme.

*Moderator: Mr. FRANCESCO CANDELARI, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs*

- *Mr. JERRY T. CLAVESILLAS, Director, DTI-Bureau of SME Development: presentation of the Youth Entrepreneurship Programme*
- *Mr. RAYMOUND JOSHUA TAN, President, Philippine Young Entrepreneurs Association*
- *MR. FRANCESCO CANDELARI: presentation of the conducted mapping and main findings*

Q&A and discussion

**10:45 – 11:00 am**

**Tea break and networking**

**11:00 am – 1:00 pm Session II: International good practices on youth entrepreneurship policies**

This session will present good practices from different countries, international organizations and think tanks on youth entrepreneurship programmes and policies. The good practices will address different aspects such as entrepreneurship skills training, access to finance, networking initiatives, mentoring services and overall policy framework for youth entrepreneurship.

- Ms. TEGAN JOHNSON, Small Business and Deregulation Branch, Department of Jobs and Small Business, Australia
- Mr. MORRIS ONDIEK, Head of Enterprise Development, Youth Enterprise Development Fund, Kenya
- Ms. SHARIFAH NAJWA SYED ABU BAKAR, Senior Director, SME Corporation, Malaysia
- Mr. ZACK LI, Senior manager, Talent & Startup Growth, Action Community for Entrepreneurship, Singapore
- Ms. TONILYN LIM, Country Representative, UNIDO

Q&A and discussion

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**1:00 – 2:00 pm**

**Lunch break and networking**

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**2:00 – 3:00 pm Session III: Breakout groups**

Participants will form three breakout groups. Each of the groups will discuss one of the main Youth Entrepreneurship Programme's main components: Start; Net; and Match. Groups will consider what kinds of actions different types of Stakeholder can best take in order to support the implementation of the Youth Entrepreneurship Programme and produce practical proposals for potential activities.

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**3:00 – 3.15 pm Tea break and networking**

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**3:15 – 5:00 pm Session IV: Report back and Roundtable discussion of all relevant stakeholders**

The report back from breakout groups and the ensuing roundtable discussion will bring together different key Stakeholders to discuss the needs of young people considering becoming entrepreneurs. It will address how the different entities from the Government, private sector, business associations, youth organizations, schools and academia, can support implementation of the Youth Entrepreneurship Programme.

Q&A and discussion

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**5:00 pm: CLOSING**

**Closing Remarks:** Mr. *JERRY T. CLAVESILLAS*, Director, DTI-Bureau of SME Development

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