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MESSAGE

FROM THE UP PRESIDENT



Binabati ko ang University of the Philippines Institute for Small-Scale Industries (UP ISSI) sa isa na namang makabuluhang taon ng paglilingkod sa sambayanan sa pamamagitan ng pag-agapay sa pag-unlad ng mga maliliit na negosyanteng Pilipino.

Ang UP ISSI ay gumagampan ng mahalagang papel sa pagbibigay nito ng sapat na kaalaman, inspirasyon at ugnayan para sa mga nabibilang sa sektor ng micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) na haligi ng pang-ekonomiya at pangkalahatang pag-unlad ng bansa. Alinsunod sa mandato ng UP na maging pinakamahusay sa larangan ng pagtuturo, pananaliksik at pagbibigay ng serbisyo publiko sa bansa, tinutulungan ng UP ISSI ang mga maliliit na negosyanteng Pilipino sa kanilang pagsisimula at pagpapalago ng sariling negosyo sa pamamagitan ng

mga kurso, pagsasanay at publikasyong tumutugon sa mga pangangailangan ng MSMEs.

Sa mga susunod na pahina mababasa ang mga ulat at serbisyong hatid ng UP ISSI. Ipinakikilala rin dito ang mga tanggapan at kawaning katuwang natin sa paggampan ng misyon ng UP para sa bayan. Sapagkat nakatutulong ang mga inisyatibang ito sa pag-asenso ng mga negosyong maipagmamalaki natin, lalo tayong nabubuklod sa ating pagkakaisa sa layuning palakasin at linangin ang sektor ng MSMEs upang ang bawat Pilipinong kabahagi ng sektor na ito ay maging mahusay at produktibong kabalikat natin para sa pangkalahatang kaunlaran.

Lalo pa nating pag-ibayuhin ang ating pakikipag-ugnayan sa mga ahensyang pamahalaan, organisasyon, indibidwal at negosyong kapwa sumusuporta sa MSMEs. Panatilihin natin ang pagiging isa sa mga pinakamahusay sa ating larangan. Hangad ko lagi ang inyong pag-asenso at tagumpay.

Mabuhay tayong lahat!

President, UP System

ATTY. DANILO L. CONCEPCION

FROM THE UPD VICE CHANCELLOR FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

This is a special year for the UP ISSI as it now has a new director, bringing with her a new perspective in development. Additionally, UP ISSI is now a unit under OVCRD. Lastly, this year, the premier MSME Institute is celebrating its 52nd anniversary. That's a lot of valuable milestones in 2018! Congratulations, UP ISSI!

In my two years as Officer-in-Charge, I saw how the Institute faced the challenges that came its way. It has been very resilient, going over the spirit of the times, always overcoming the challenges and incorporating it with the training, researches, and extension work relevant to our stakeholders.

Wherever the future may lead us, I hope UP ISSI will still look back to where it started: to be of service to small entrepreneurs. We should always look back to where we came from to realize our future. UP ISSI will always be at the forefront of the small-scale industry. The mandate of helping the entrepreneurs to achieve their potentials should always be the mantra of the Institute.

Again, congratulations UP ISSI. Mabuhay!

FIDEL R. NEMENZO, D.Sc.

Officer-in-Charge, UP ISSI (January 2018—September 2018)



FROM THE UP ISSI DIRECTOR

Kami sa ISSI ay taos-pusong nagpapasalamat sa lahat ng indibidwal at organisasyon na tumulong upang makamit ang mga layuning itinakda sa taong 2018. Maraming salamat sa tiwalang pinagkaloob para maisakatuparan ang mga proyektong napagkaisahan. Sa mga susunod na pahina ay matutunghayan ang mga mayamang karanasan sa buong taon. Tampok dito ang mga sumusunod:

1. Mga pagsasanay upang higit pang mapataas ang antas ng kaalaman at kasanayan ng mga manggagawa sa iba't ibang empresa at mga business counselors sa iba't ibang rehiyon;

 Pagbabahaginan ng mga kaalaman hinggil sa mga MSME sa pamamagitan ng 1st MSME Conference;

3. Talakayan hinggil sa kalagayan ng mga MSME na pinangungunahan ng mga kababaihan sa industriya ng garments at textiles na dinaluhan ng kinatawan mula sa iba't ibang bansa;

 Pagpapalakas sa mga micro at small enterprises sa pamamagitan ng mentoring; at,

5. Patuloy na pakikipagtulungan sa mga pribado at pampublikong mga organisasyon para sa pagsulong at paglago ng mga MSME.

Taong 2018 nang isinailalim ang ISSI sa OVCRD, bilang pagkilala sa mandato ng ISSI sa larangan ng pananaliksik at extensyon. Sa pamumuno ni VC Fidel R. Nemenzo, magigiyahan ang ISSI sa paggampan ng kanyang mandato.

Bago nagtapos ang taon, nagkaroon ng strategic planning ang ISSI kung saan nagtakda ng ilang mayor na gawain para sa tatlong taon. Kabilang dito ang pagbalik tanaw sa VMG at core values ng ISSI, ang pagsakatuparan ng isang proyektong sama-samang ipapatupad ng lahat ng dibisyon ng institusyon, pagtatasa ng mga programa para sa pagsasanay ng mga MSME at higit pang pagpapataas ng kaalaman at kasanayan ng mga opisyal at staff ng ISSI.

Muli kaming umaasa sa pakikipagtulungan ng mga partners ng ISSI upang makamit ang mga nilatag na mga layunin para sa 2019!

Maraming salamat!

ALELI B. BAWAGAN, Ph.D.

Director, UP ISSI (October 2018—present)

VISION MISSION

Genter of Excellence for Nurturing and Advancing an Entrepreneurial Society

Greate and provide knowledge, know-how and information to empower entrepreneurs to grow and prosper

CORE PURPOSE

Greate and develop sustainable, viable and globally competitive micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs)

QUALITY POLICY

We provide best-in-class services and total customer experience to all our clients with honor and excellence.

CORE VALUES

Unwavering Commitment We always find solutions. We execute with passion.

Professionalism We serve ethically with honor.

We treat everyone with dignity and respect.

Integrity We give honest service. We take responsibility for results.

\$\square\text{gynergy}\$ We value teamwork and support diversity. We build positive and lasting relationships with our stakeholders.

Service Excellence We serve as we lead. We surpass clients' expectations.

Innovation We transform ideas into entrepreneurial

actions. We anticipate changes for continuous

improvement.



ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH SAFETY, AND SECURITY POLICY

e are committed to operate in a safe, healthy and environmentally friendly work environment.

He shall comply with all applicable safety, health and environmental laws, regulations and other requirements.

He shall continually improve our environmental performance and pursue prevention of environmental pollution in any form.

He shall continuously educate and promote safety, wellness and environmental awareness to all our employees, clients, partners and other stakeholders.

e shall safeguard and protect the assets and properties of the Institute.

TARGET PUBLICS

Intermediate Publics

Trainers

Extension officers

Government organizations

Non-government organizations

Industry associations

Financial institutions

Local government units

International partners

Other private entities advocating the advancement of MSMEs

Final Publics

Students

Startups

Entrepreneurs

Women's groups

Cooperatives

Entrepreneurship educators and

mentors

MSME single proprietors

MSME corporations

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Research

Information and Public Affairs

Business Enterprise Development

Administrative Delivery Services

SERVICE STREAMS

52 YEARS OF UNWAVERING SERVICE TO FILIPINO ENTREPRENEURS

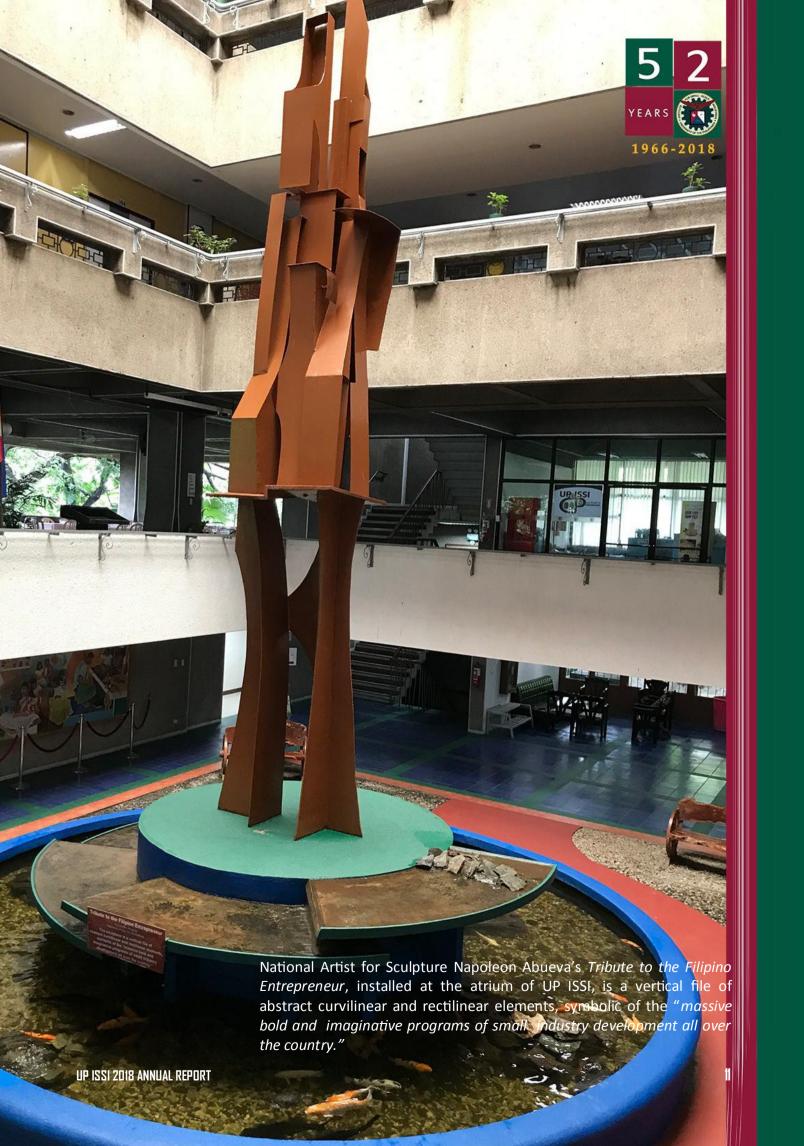
The UP Institute for Small-Scale Industries is already 52 years old.

The Institute came into being through the Red, White, and Blue Project, a special four-year project under a bilateral agreement between the Royal Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Republic of the Philippines on 2 March 1966. The objective was to promote small industries in the Philippines with the assistance of the Dutch government. The Red, White, and Blue Project (so called because of the three colors of the flags of the two countries) changed its project status upon signing into law of the Republic Act 6041 (UP ISSI Charter) on 4 August 1969. The UP ISSI, in addition to having the principal objective of assisting and promoting the development and growth of the small-scale industries in the country, became one of the research and extension units of the University of the Philippines.

From being a training institute for small-scale industries, UP ISSI expanded its services to research, extension, information, and consultancy services to MSMEs. It has already served thousands of aspiring and established entrepreneurs, managers and personnel of micro, small, and medium scale enterprises nationwide through the Institute's various service streams

With our mission of "creating and providing knowledge, know-how and information to empower entrepreneurs to grow and prosper," we at ISSI have this unwavering commitment to be of service to Filipino entrepreneurs and enterprises.







TRAINING & ENTREPRENEURSHIP EDUCATION DIVISION

P ISSI envisions to be the most preferred total capability building and development service provider. It offers a wide range of training courses that meet general requirements as well as management development, entrepreneurship development, quality and productivity improvement, and project development and management.

RESEARCH DIVISION

s a research and development institution on innovation, technology, quality, productivity, and entrepreneurship, UP ISSI pursues a programmatic and focused research and development agenda. It develops and implements research studies that have significant impact on MSMEs and MSME stakeholders.



BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

s an extension service provider, UP ISSI provides business counselling and other technical and enterprise development assistance to MSMEs and other sectors, including non-government organizations, academic communities, private corporations, cooperatives, and government agencies.

INFORMATION & PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE

anking on its wealth of knowledge and information on innovation, productivity, quality, entrepreneurship, UP ISSI provides information services through various media to widen its reach and impact MSMEs. on entrepreneurs and Already, it has served many enterprises, entrepreneurs, MSME development practitioners and other stakeholders through a host of knowledge-based and information technology-enabled services.

ADMINISTRATIVE DELIVERY DIVISION

Part of the success of an organization is the efficient delivery of services deemed necessary for operational excellence. The Administrative Delivery Division provides administrative support to various divisions of the Institute's general services, logistics support, and maintenance and upkeep of facilities and equipment.



Start Your Own Business (SYOB) Course

Formerly the Entrepreneurial Career Development Program and Young Entrepreneurship Program, the Start Your Own Business Course is one of the longest running course offerings in UP ISSI. First implemented in 1986, SYOB seeks to develop the entrepreneurial motivation and confidence as well as reinforce basic management skills of aspiring entrepreneurs. Now on its 52nd run, UP ISSI stays true to its mandate in building and advancing an entrepreneurial Philippines, one Pinoypreneur at a time.

Productivity through Effective Supervision (PES) Course

UP ISSI recognizes the pertinence of a supervisor's post as one of the most demanding in an organization. It requires managing people and operation of critical resources and logistics, which, if mismanaged, could result to the breakdown of an organization. Through the Productivity through Effective Supervision Course, UP ISSI aims to graduate effective supervisors who will drive their organization towards optimum levels of output through motivated and inspired employees.

Total Communication Course (TCC)

Previously known as the Business Communication Course and later PowerComm Course, the Total Communication Course harnesses the power of communication in one's professional as well as personal life. TCC employs active training methodologies which encourage the participants to share the stage with the resource speakers by being speakers themselves and develop confidence in public speaking. Through the enhancement of oral and written communication skills, focusing on effective use of language, voice and body, and facial expression, UP ISSI turns ordinary speakers into confident and articulate communicators.

Creative and Effective Selling Techniques (CEST) Course

The Creative and Effective Selling Techniques Course develops in each participant a positive outlook in the art of selling. Suited for individuals who want to enhance their selling and negotiation skills, the CEST also aims to reinforce their plan of pursuing sales as a career to generate more revenues. The concept of sales has expanded beyond the products and services that are being offered by the company. Ultimately, the CEST aims to develop a creative and dynamic agent who gains more ground through increased sales for the company.

Total Productive Maintenance Course (TPMC)

Several manufacturing enterprises have been experiencing frequent machine breakdowns for they are still continuously implementing the traditional maintenance program, which is reactive and expensive. The course leverages on a proven approach to accelerate organization capability development, which ultimately translates into higher levels of business performance. The six-day program tackles principles and framework of TPM as well as different tools and techniques in preventive maintenance that are effective in addressing machinery maintenance concerns.

Accounting for Non-Accountants (AfNA) Course

The Accounting for Non-Accountants Course enables participants to have knowledge on basic accounting terms, concepts, and their applications. At the end of the course, the participants are expected to gain knowledge and confidence in preparing financial statements and analyzing financial transactions and records.



Financial Management for Entrepreneurship and Investment (FINEST) Course

One of the newest courses offered by UP ISSI, the Financial Management for Entrepreneurship and Investment Course helps make money work for the individual. This course aims at upgrading the financial management skills of finance managers, business owners or anyone who wishes to use financial management for effective decision making using financial tools and techniques. The course includes financial statement analysis, working capital management, financial forecasting, capital budgeting, and business taxation.

Strategic Marketing Course (SMC)

The Strategic Marketing Course teaches a strategic framework of knitting together profit goals and their impact on the marketing strategy, market and product business portfolio, market segmentation and positioning strategies. The concept of strategic marketing provides a perspective and emphasis that extends beyond the traditional focus on managing the marketing mix, which is imperative for entrepreneurs and business startups alike.

Strategic Human Resource Management (SHuRe) Course

The organization's greatest asset is their personnel, for without them, daily business function and operation such as managing cash flows, dealing with the customers, making business transactions, to name some, could not be done. Managing human resources is an assurance that employees are able to meet the organization's goals and targets. The SHuRe course was designed to provide tools and practical knowledge, skills and attitude to be an effective HR leader.

Managers Course (MC)

The UP ISSI's Managers Course has been for decades the flagship training program of the Institute, having been the longest running and the most frequently held of all its courses. Now ran for 21 Saturdays, MC is composed of modules which cover the four functional areas of management: marketing, operations, organization, and finance. Its curriculum continually evolves, responding to the ever-changing needs of the business environment and in keeping with modern tools and technology along with the best practices shared by the competent pool of speakers and practitioners.

MC's main application exercise is the conduct of the Integrated Organizational Survey and Assessment (IOSA), which was formerly called the Integrated Plant Survey. What used to be an exercise completed at the end of the course is now done in every module as the enterprise or IOSA site assigned to each group of participants is now treated as a running case. Thus, the participants learn about the marketing, operations, organization and finance function of the firm.

Besides being a practicum exercise where participants apply their knowledge about management, IOSA also has an extension or consultancy component. Guided by their coaches, the participants integrate their recommendations in an IOSA report, which are expected to be implemented by the owner of the firm. After the MC, the IOSA enterprises are also provided with a free 3-month mentorship by the UP ISSI guided by the BEDD mentors.

Advanced Leadership and Management (ALMA) Course

While the thrust of the MC has been to orient and upgrade knowledge and skills in marketing, financial, human resource, and operations management, the Advanced Leadership and Management Course anchors on such competencies and further expands them with a greater emphasis on critical areas of management like leadership, innovation, technology, environment, people management, strategic management, risk management, and customer relations management. It ultimately aims to equip participants with sustained growth competencies zeroing in on analytical and systematic approaches.







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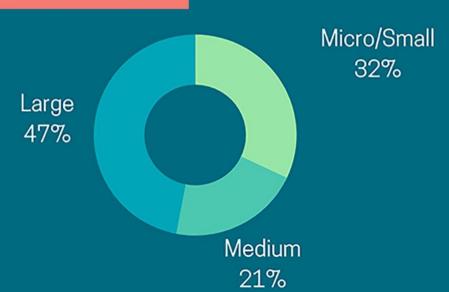








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SPECIAL TRAINING PROGRAMS & SEMINARS

2018 Business Continuity Management (BCM) for Cooperatives

In the Philippines, cooperatives are tools of economic development and social justice. The government expects them to contribute to rapid, inclusive and sustained economic growth, financial inclusion, and poverty reduction. Of the 12,363 reporting cooperatives, 89 percent are situated in rural and vulnerable areas in the country. Thus, in 2018, the Institute together with the Humanitarian Leadership Academy (HLA) and the Cooperative Development Authority (CDA) developed a training of trainers course that trained a cadre of BCM advocates and champions to roll out the blended BCM nationwide to make micro, small and medium cooperatives be more resilient and better prepared when both natural and man-made disasters or hazards come their way. This was a four-day blended learning program which covered the following topics:

- Is your business at risk?
- Why is BCP not a priority?
- Benefits of planning
- What hazards and risks should I prepare for?
- What parts of the business are vulnerable?
- What should I do to protect my resources (before, during and after a disaster)?
- How do I make sure I have enough financing to recover?
- How do I make sure my plan is effective?
- Effective Training Skills

A total of five runs were conducted. The pilot run was conducted in November 2017 and the remaining four in 2018. A total of 135 participants were trained. 118 were cooperative development specialists, and the rest were managers, specialists, lawyers, director, planning officer, and programme officer.





Participants from 18 provinces and 15 regions attended the course.

Engr. Ma. Luisa S. Lee coaching the participants



2018 Service Continuity Planning for Civil Society Organizations

Civil society organizations (CSOs) in the Philippines are effective channels for funneling support to needy and vulnerable communities. CSOs are widely seen as vibrant organizations in spearheading growth and development. It is estimated that the number of CSOs ranges from 249,000 – 497,000, both registered and non-registered. They are mostly engaged in a broad range of activities such as: a) education, training, and human resource development; b) community development; c) enterprise development and employment generation; d) health and nutrition; e) law, advocacy, and politics; and f) sustainable development. Sustainable development was the consideration when the Service Continuity Planning (SCP) course was designed and developed. For CSOs, whether big or small, their first priority is to continuously provide service to their clients. Thus, the Caucus of Development NGO Networks (CODE-NGO) partnered with the Humanitarian Leadership Academy (HLA) and UP ISSI to conduct SCP for the Cordillera Network of Development NGOs (CORDNET), Central Visayas Network of NGOs (CENVISNET), and Mindanao Coalition of Development NGOs (MINCODE).

The SCP training included disaster recovery planning, risk management and assessment and strategies formulation before, during, and after disruption.





In general, the program aimed to develop the participants' capabilities to mitigate, prepare for, respond to and recover from emergencies and disasters. Further, it aimed to enhance resilience of NGOs and CSOs to natural and human-made hazards by training them to develop their own service continuity plans.

The training program covered the following topics:

- SCP framework
- SCP purpose, scope and team
- Priority activities and recovery time objective
- Resources needed to resume activities
- Risk assessment
- Strategies before, during, and after disaster
- Financial readiness
- Exercise the SCP
- Improve the SCP
- SC plans

The course requires a Service Continuity Plan as a final output.



2018 SCP Reach Civil Society Organizations/LGUs

Thirty-seven (37) participants graduated from the SCP course. In terms of provincial reach, 12 provinces were represented namely: Mountain Province, Ifugao, Benguet, NCR, Cebu, Bohol, Negros Oriental, Dinagat Island, Surigao del Norte, Agusan del Sur, Zamboanga, and Davao del Sur.



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Surigao Economic Development and Microfinance Foundation, Inc.



Small Business Counselors Course (SBCC): Capacitating the Negosyo Centers for MSME Development Services

Republic Act No. 10644: An Act Promoting Job Generation and Inclusive Growth through the Development of MSMEs or the "Go Negosyo Act" mandates the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) to spearhead the establishment of Negosyo Centers throughout the country. The Go Negosyo Act aims to bring government services closer to MSMEs through the establishment of Negosyo Centers nationwide. The Negosyo Centers shall be responsible for promoting ease of doing business and facilitating access to services for MSMEs, specifically on technology transfer, production and management training, marketing assistance, and business advisory. DTI technical staff, outsourced personnel, and staff from Local Government Units will manage the Negosyo Centers.

In response to the requirements of the Negosyo Act, DTI partnered with UP ISSI through the Small Business Counselors Course (SBCC) in capacitating the Negosyo Center business counselors with counseling and mentoring competencies, which equiped them with the necessary tools and techniques in providing business development services to their MSME clients.

The Small Business Counselors Course is a six-tiered program aimed to develop the capabilities of business counselors to provide effective and efficient counseling services to micro, small, and medium enterprise clients, especially in the four functional areas of business — marketing, operations, human resource, and finance.





^{*}UP ISSI is accredited by the Department of Trade and Industry to implement SBCC 101, 103, 104, and 105.

In 2018, a total of 16 SBCC runs (ten runs of SBCC 101, two runs of SBCC 103, three runs of SBCC 104, and one run of SBCC 105) were conducted, producing 567 graduates from the Cordillera Administrative Region, and Regions II, III, VI, VIII, IX, XI, and XII.





Success in Small Beginnings: Testimonials from Tara Na, Negosyo Na! Year 8



What do Lugaw Queen, Jedidiah Food Industry, and Signrays Advertising have in common? They all started small and experienced birth pains on their first years in business before they took off and hit success.

The Lugaw Queen owner, Beverly P. Aquino, talked about how her one thousand pesos turned into a good rags-to-riches story. She started her lugaw booth as a small investment but her business eventually boomed, and is now even offered via franchising. "We started really small. We didn't have much capital. But through perseverance and hard work, everything became possible. You only stop working when you are already dead. Just work and be steadfast," she said.

Darlyn B. Calderon, proprietress of Jedidiah Food Industry, shared about her turmeric business that started from humble beginnings. She said that, "it's very important that when you open your business, [you] secure all the necessary permits, [no] short cuts. Give the benefits your employees [deserve] as provided by law like SSS, Pag-IBIG, and the like. You treat them like your family."

Signrays Advertising owner, Ruperto J. Lavega, Jr., explained that to succeed in any business, "you have to select the right people to manage your business. It is very important to have employees that you trust and your business will be in good hands. You give your employees the best training you can so that they [can make] the best decisions in running your business," he added.

These testimonials from three maverick MSME owners happened during the eighth edition of Tara Na, Negosyo Na! held 3 August 2018 at the UP ISSI.

The Tara Na, Negosyo Na! is a yearly event held for aspiring entrepreneurs who wish to learn the ropes on how to start a business. It is a whole day affair and gathers would-be entrepreneurs and other business owners plus the attendance of successful MSMEs who give real-life lessons in starting their own businesses.



Barangay Invasion through Entrepreneurship

In 2016, Radio GMA Network, Inc. signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Institute. The two-hour session by UP ISSI on how to start and manage an enterprise has been part of DZBB's Super Serbisyo program in selected barangays around Metro Manila.

The seminar is an appreciation and awareness program to promote entrepreneurship. In 2018, the Institute delivered 14 batches of Negosyo seminars to 14 barangays and 4 batches together with job fairs to big malls in Metro Manila. There were a total of 771 participants who attended said seminars. The program reached the following barangays:

Quezon City:

Brgy. Apo, Brgy. Pinagsama, Brgy. Sto. Cristo, Brgy. Krus na Ligas, and Brgy. Silangan.

Brgy. Potrero, Brgy. Tañong, and Brgy. Hulong Duhat

Caloocan City:

Brgy. 174 Camarin and Brgy. 173 District 2

Las Piñas City: Brgy. Zapote

Marikina City: Brgy. Parang

Pasig City: Brgy. Pinagbuhatan

Mandaluyong City: Brgy. Namayan



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Marketing and Product Development Program For Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises

In 2017, the UP College of Fine Arts (UP CFA) represented by Dean Leonardo Rosete, the Institute for Small-Scale Industries (ISSI) represented by Dr. Fidel R. Nemenzo, and the Department of Trade and Industry — Rizal represented by Provincial Director Mercedes A. Parreño signed a Memorandum of Agreement to implement the Marketing and Product Development Program for MSMEs in Rizal province. The program aims to provide academic learning opportunities to the students under the Industrial Design program of UP-CFA, and to assist in the marketing and product development of identified MSMEs.

In line with such objectives, ISSI and CFA have developed a program that will complement the resources of both units to equip students with the necessary tools in developing the market plans. DTI -Rizal's role was to select and prioritize MSMEs under this program. Industrial design students were tasked to study and examine existing manufacturing enterprises and develop their marketing and product development plans.

In 2018, there were 25 UP CFA industrial design students who provided product design and development (including a written design and product plan) to eight (8) enterprises, namely: Carolina's Handicrafts; Cardona Multi-Purpose Cooperative (engineered bamboo); ARH Arts and Crafts; San Damiano; Emvel Furniture Manufacturing; Resilience One Butterfly; Benelco; and, ELMN Enterprises. The outputs of the students were evaluated by UP CFA, UP ISSI, and DTI Rizal. UP ISSI also provided a seminar on product costing to the students.

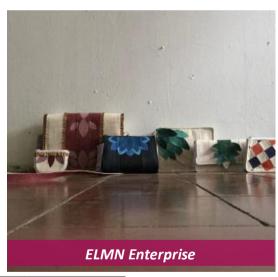


Industrial Design students from UP CFA with Engr. Ma. Luisa S. Lee, UP ISSI



Engr. Ma. Luisa S. Lee, UP ISSI; Dir. Mercedes A. Parreño, Department of Trade and Industry – Rizal; and Prof. Ninel Constantino, UP CFA Advisor—Industrial Design Program









San Damiano Bamboo Producers Cooperative













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Small Business Counselors Course (SBCC) 101 for CAR

January 29—February 2, Citylight Hotel Baguio City Participants = 31

Negosyo Seminar for RGMA (Batch 1)

March 3, Brgy. Apo, Samson, Quezon City Participants = 19

Small Business Counselors Course (SBCC) 101 for DTI 3

March 5—9, DTI Training Center, Pampanga Participants = 32

Negosyo Seminar for RGMA (Batch 2)

March 10, Brgy. 173, District 2, Caloocan City Participants = 20

Business Continuity Management for Cooperatives (BCM) Batch 2

March 19—23, Madison 101 Hotel, New Manila, Quezon City Participants = 24

Negosyo Seminar for RGMA (Batch 3)

March 24, Brgy. Zapote, Las Piñas City Participants = 44

Negosyo Seminar for RGMA (Batch 4)

April 24, Brgy. Pinagsama, Quezon City Participants = 35

Small Business Counselors Course (SBCC) 101 for DTI 11

April 16—20, DTI Regional Office, Davao City Participants = 34

Small Business Counselors Course (SBCC) 103 for DTI 2

April 16—20, DTI Regional Office, Tuguegarao Participants = 32

Business Continuity Management for Cooperatives (BCM) Batch 3

April 23—27, Palm Grass Hotel, Cebu City Participants = 25

Appreciation Workshop for Entrepreneurship for Mundi Pharma

April 26—27, Ortigas Tower, Ortigas City Participants = 7

Small Business Counselors Course (SBCC) 104 for DTI 2

May 7—11 , DTI Regional Office, Tuguegarao Participants = 34

2nd HANDA for IOSA Site

May 17—18, UP ISSI, Diliman, Quezon City Participants = 5

Small Business Counselors Course (SBCC) 101 for DTI 3

May 21—15, SACOP, City of San Fernando, Pampanga Participants = 30

Negosyo Seminar for RGMA (Batch 5)

May 26, Brgy. Sto. Cristo, Quezon City Participants = 19

Small Business Counselors Course (SBCC) 101 for DTI 6

June 4—8, Days Hotel, Iloilo City Participants = 36

Small Business Counselors Course (SBCC) 104 for DTI 11

June 4—8, Ritz Hotel, Davao City Participants = 33

Appreciation Workshop for Entrepreneurship for Republic Cement

June 9, Republic Cement, Norzagaray, Bulacan Participants = 50

Negosyo Seminar for RGMA (Batch 6)

June 9, Brgy. Parang, Marikina City Participants = 44

Negosyo Seminar for RGMA (Batch 7)

June 16, Brgy. Pinagbuhatan, Pasig City Participants = 36

Negosyo Seminar for RGMA (Batch 8)

June 23, Brgy. Krus na Ligas, Quezon City Participants = 24

Service Continuity Planning (Batch 1)

June 20—22, Hotel Veniz, Baguio City Participants = 10



Credit Appraisal and Loan Monitoring for CFIEP (Bacolod)

June 25—30, O Hotel, Bacolod City Participants = 29

Business Continuity Management for Cooperatives (BCM) (Batch 4)

July 2—6, The Royal Mandaya Hotel, Davao City Participants = 27

Workforce Management Seminar for BIR

July 4—5, UP ISSI, Diliman, Quezon City Participants = 45

Seminar Workshop on Enterprise Development for DOST

July 10—11, Hotel Oazis, Butuan City Participants = 80

Small Business Counselors Course (SBCC) 101 for DTI 8

July 9—13, The Oriental Hotel, Palo, Leyte Participants = 51

Small Business Counselors Course (SBCC) 103 for DTI 8

July 9—13, The Oriental Hotel, Palo, Leyte Participants = 50

Small Business Counselors Course (SBCC) 105 for DTI 2

July 16—20, DTI Regional Office, Tuguegarao Participants = 33

Service Continuity Planning (Batch 2)

July 19—21, Cebu Hotel Plus, Cebu City Participants = 13

Business Continuity Management for Cooperatives (BCM) Batch 5

July 23—27, Sulu Riviera Hotel, Quezon City Participants = 28

Credit Appraisal and Loan Monitoring for CFIEP (Dipolog)

July 23—28, D' Hotel, Dipolog City Participants = 30

Small Business Counselors Course (SBCC) 101 for DTI 2

August 5—10, DTI Regional Office, Tuguegarao Participants = 32

Service Continuity Planning (Batch 3)

August 29—31, Y Hotel, Butuan City, Agusan del Norte Participants = 14

Negosyo Trabaho Seminar for RGMA (Batch 1)

September 8, Ynares Sports Arena, Cainta, Rizal Participants = 53

Negosyo Seminar for RGMA (Batch 9)

September 22, Brgy. Namayan, Mandaluyong City Participants = 31

Small Business Counselors Course (SBCC) 101 for CAR

September 24—28, Citylight Hotel, Baguio City Participants = 30

Small Business Counselors Course (SBCC) 101 for DTI 6

October 1—5, Days Hotel, Iloilo City Participants = 39

Small Business Counselors Course (SBCC) 104 for DTI 12

October 1—5, Eighty Eight Hotel, Koronadal City Participants = 35

Start Your Own Business for Aboitiz Equity Ventures, Inc.

October 2—12, Fort Ramon Magsaysay, Nueva Ecija Participants = 20

Negosyo Seminar for RGMA (Batch 10)

October 6, Potrero Elem. School, Potrero, Malabon Participants = 30

Negosyo Seminar for RGMA (Batch 11)

October 20, Brgy. Tañong, Malabon City Participants = 16

Small Business Counselors Course (SBCC) 101 for DTI 9

November 5—9, Garden Orchid Hotal, Zamboanga City Participants = 35

Negosyo Trabaho Seminar for RGMA (Batch 2)

November 8, Vista Mall, Taguig City Participants = 110

Negosyo Seminar for RGMA (Batch 12)

November 17, Brgy. Hulong Duhat, Malabon City Participants = 11

Negosyo Seminar for RGMA (Batch 13)

October 20, Brgy. 174, Camarin, Caloocan City Participants = 44

RESEARCH

Honing Agents for National Disaster Awareness (HANDA) Program: ISSI's Response to the Growing Demand for Disaster Preparedness and Business Resilience

The HANDA Program has been developed by the UP Institute for Small-Scale Industries as part of its commitment as a member of ARISE Philippines which is under the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR) Private Sector Alliance for Disaster Resilient Societies (ARISE). Specifically, the HANDA Program endeavours to support the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction 2015-2030. According to UNISDR, "the Sendai Seven Campaign is focused on achieving the seven targets of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction including substantial reductions in mortality, the number of people affected, economic losses and damage to infrastructure".

In March 2018, UP ISSI launched the HANDA Program with participants from government agencies and small enterprises. Aside from the internal pool of resource persons from the Institute, there were also speakers from the following partner agencies and organizations: PHILVOLCS; UP NOAH Center; Bureau of Fire Protection; Malabon City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office; Quezon City Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office; Office of Extension Coordination under the UPD Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research and Development; Blancco Technology Group; and Maroon Studies, Inc.

The HANDA Program was again conducted in May 2018, specifically for MSMEs who have been partners of the Institute for the Integrated Organizational Survey and Assessment of the Managers Course.

HANDA aims to raise the awareness of micro, small and medium enterprises on disaster preparedness through Business Continuity Planning. It covers the following topics: Disaster Vulnerability and Disaster Preparedness Measures of the Philippines, Disaster Preparedness in the Workplace and Community, Data Privacy and Protection, and Business Continuity Planning.







Research Projects:

UP ISSI Smart Business Guide on How to Prepare a Business Continuity Plan

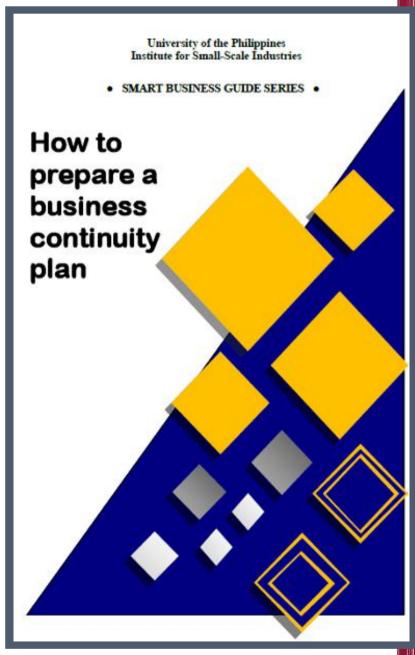
Publication Date: November 2018

ISBN: 978-971-544-002-8

As a research and extension unit of the University of the Philippines, ISSI aims to assist the government in providing information resources to the MSMEs in the Philippines.

The UP ISSI Smart Business Guides are easy—to—read handbooks that provide vital information on different business topics useful to entrepreneurs.

To help MSMEs recover quickly from setbacks brought about by disasters, the UP ISSI Research Division launched the Smart Business Guide on How to Prepare a Business Continuity Plan in 2018. This 30 - page Smart Business Guide complements the UP ISSI Honing Agents for National **Awareness** Disaster (HANDA) Program: Disaster Preparedness **Business** and Continuity Planning for MSMEs. It describes the preparation of the business continuity plan in five simple steps. At the end of this guide is a BCP template readers can use to get them started in their business continuity plan preparation activities.







APPFI Partners with UP ISSI in Holding Forum on China's Financial Technology and E-Commerce Experience

Asia Pacific Pathways to Progress Foundation, Inc., (APPFI) in cooperation with UP ISSI and media partner Entrepreneur Philippines, held a public forum entitled "China's Financial Technology and E-Commerce Experience: Exploring Implications for the Philippines." The event took place on August 9, 2018, at the Auditorium of the UP Bonifacio Global City Campus in Taguig City and was well-attended by staff from government agencies, entrepreneurs, students, and college professors.



As the forum aimed to look deeply into the Chinese experience and examine what lessons can be drawn from it, resource speakers who had been witness to these developments were asked to present their various perspectives. They were:

- Mr. Jaime FlorCruz, former Beijing Bureau Chief of CNN, with "How China Harnessed E-Commerce to Leapfrog from Scarcity to Plenty;"
- Mr. Alfonso de Dios, founder/CEO of Telos Media Works and adviser to China Central TV, with "Ascending the Value Chain: Learning and Earning from China's E-Commerce;"
- Atty. Ira Paulo Pozon, founder/CEO of Caucus, Inc. and international commercial law expert, with "A View from Tomorrowland: China's Way of Life and Lessons for the Philippines;" and
- Ms. Maria Lourdes Yaptinchay, director of DTI's Bureau of Trade and Industrial Policy ResearchDepartment, with "Facilitating Cross-Border E-Commerce Between the Philippines and China."

The forum provided many takeaways for Filipinos to ponder on if the Philippines is to follow China's footsteps. These include:

- the need to strengthen cybersecurity;
- the need to expand financial inclusion;
- making it easier for the consumer;
- engaging the citizenry through culture;
- skipping a technological generation or "leapfrog;"
- tapping the right sectors;
- requiring strong, efficient logistics services;
- requiring reliable rural internet access;
- requiring regulatory frameworks that are open to disruptive changes; and
- requiring widespread consumer acceptance and market penetration.



UP ISSI holds 1st MSME Conference





Chancellor Tan, VP Zamora, Usec Maglaya, and VC Nemenzo with former ISSI staff and conference guests

The Institute held its first conference for micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs) at the UP Bonifacio Global City campus last 16 March 2018.

UP officials, academics, policymakers, entrepreneurs, and other stakeholders converged for a one-day conference aptly billed *MSMEs and Nation-building*, where the invited speakers and government officials discussed their ongoing researches, case studies, and policy papers pertinent to MSMEs.

UP officials led by Elvira A. Zamora, UP Vice President for Development and Conference Chair; Michael L. Tan, Chancellor of UP Diliman; Fidel R. Nemenzo, UP Vice Chancellor for Research and Development and OIC of UP ISSI; Fortunato T. dela Peña, Secretary of Department of Science and Technology and former Director of UP ISSI; and Zenaida C. Maglaya, Undersecretary of Department of Trade and Industry, gave their remarks and keynote speeches before the participants.

The conference was implemented with media, government, and private business partners. There were three sessions: the use of technology; enhancing entrepreneurship; and, the MSMEs' contributions to society.

Kapihan 3: Strengthening Community-based Disaster Preparedness in Metro Manila,



The Kapihan 3: Strengthening Community-based Disaster Preparedness in Metro Manila is part of the UP ISSI Coffee and Entrepreneurship Discussion Series conducted by the Research Division of the UP Institute for Small-Scale Industries. The Discussion Series is envisioned to be a venue for eliciting ideas and facilitating conversations on entrepreneurship, innovation, and creativity. It aims to keep all MSME stakeholders including aspiring entrepreneurs informed on trends, recent developments, and other matters that impact on the sector. Specifically, the Discussion Series is an attempt to allow participants to:

- learn new ideas, knowledge, and best practices from industry experts, practicing academics, and flourishing entrepreneurs;
- establish mentor-mentee relationships; and
- gain access to invaluable networking opportunities with potential partners and markets.

Meanwhile, the Kapihan 3 aimed to help raise awareness on the impact of disasters on the MSME sector and facilitate public-private collaboration towards community-based disaster risk reduction management.

The event brought together owners and employees of micro, small and medium enterprises, cooperatives, representatives from the 17 local government units in Metro Manila (particularly the Business Processing and Licensing Officers and the local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Officers), and those interested to know more about safeguarding employees, customers, assets, and how to ensure that their organization / enterprise can prepare for natural and human-induced disruptions.

The UP ISSI Research Division also launched its Smart Business Guide on How to Prepare a Business Continuity Plan (ISBN: 978-971-544-002-8). This will serve as a guide for the participants to start working on their business continuity plan preparation in their own organization, and hopefully be able to share this within their community.



Final Report for Enhancing the Competitiveness of Women-led MSMEs in the Garments and Textile Sector through Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Garments and textiles are among the country's top export commodities. ^[1]The 2009 data from the Philippine Board of Investments count close to 400,000 workers in garments and textiles, making it the largest employer in the manufacturing sector with 11% of the national total. An additional 700,000 people are employed in this sector as home-workers and small subcontractors. ^[2]Given these figures, it is no wonder that the Philippine Export Development Plan identified garments and textile as a key industry that could propel the country's export growth.

To provide a venue for knowledge sharing among APEC member economies on how to address industry issues and showcase best practices, a two-day workshop and one-day best practices forum entitled "Enhancing the Competitiveness of Women-led MSMEs in the Garments and Textile Sector through Innovation and Entrepreneurship" was held in Makati City, on 18-20 April 2018. The event was attended by 88 participants from Chile, China, Chinese Taipei, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Mexico, Peru, Papua New Guinea, the Philippines, Russia, Thailand, and Viet Nam.



This project was implemented by the UP ISSI with the Department of Trade and Industry Bureau of International Trade Relations as project overseer.

Discussions in the workshop and forum were summarized in the report which is available at: https://www.apec.org/Publications/2018/10/Enhancing-the-Competitiveness-of-Women-led-MSMEs-in-the-Garments-and-Textile-Sector

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Development of Learning Resources for Entrepreneurship for the Department of Education



UP ISSI prepared the "Development of Learning Resources for Grades 11 and 12" for the Department of Education. The partnership for the book project began in 2016 and will benefit millions of public senior high school students all over the country.

The books comprise of two core subjects: Business Enterprise Simulation, with a Manual and Teacher's Guide; and Entrepreneurship, with a Learner's Material and Teacher's Guide for Academic, Sports, Arts and TechVoc.

Writers involved in this project include UP ISSI staff from IPAO and TEED, UP Diliman professors, as well as UP ISSI's affiliate faculty from various universities such as the Malayan Colleges Laguna and Miriam College.

UP ISSI Bi-annual Newsletter Publication 2018 Wallnews

The bi-annual issues of Wallnews were published last June and August 2018. The June issue concentrated on the first ever MSME Conference which was held at UP Bonifacio Global City campus. The second issue focused on the Tara Na! Negosyo Na! Year 8. The Tara Na is a yearly event coincided with the anniversary of the Institute. Business owners and would-be-entrepreneurs are the target audience of this whole day affair.

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- Building communities and transforming lives
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- Project Identification using C-BED Methodology
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- Disaster Preparedness of Philippine MSMEs



Citi Microentrepreneurship Awards (CMA) Mentoring Program

The Citi Microentrepreneurship Awards (CMA) program is an annual nationwide search for outstanding Filipino microentrepreneurs funded by the Citi Foundation, in cooperation with the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas and the Microfinance Council of the Philippines, Inc. (MCPI).

CMA was launched in 2002 as part of the celebrations of Citi's 100th year in the Philippines. In 2015, the mentoring program started and the collaboration between MCPI and the University of the Philippines Institute for Small-Scale Industries continues up to this day. For 2018, the mentoring project started in February and ended in June, a span of five months.

The project aimed to:

- serve as a catalyst of change for the micro enterprise awardees in improving their competitiveness in the local and international markets;
- provide guidance and assistance to selected CMA micro enterprise winners in Luzon, Visayas, and Mindanao in identifying critical processes that affect their competitiveness level;
- provide technical advice in identifying appropriate solutions to the business needs of the winners; and
- mentor each winner to acquire the knowledge and develop business competencies needed for graduating from a micro to a small enterprise.

In 2018, 12 CMA winners were provided mentoring services and their businesses, as follows:

- guitar making
- chicken spring roll (lumpia) production
- · cassava cake making
- pastillas (milk-based confectionery) making and eatery business
- bar and restaurant and passenger boat rental services
- beauty salon business
- retail of clothes, plastic wares, and slippers
- nata de coco (coconut gel) and by products
- manufacture of mountaineering gear and apparel
- fabrication of industrial coil springs
- suman tinambiran (entwined black and white rice cake) making
- · chocolate tablets or tablea and native coffee processing

The following microfinance institutions provided capital and nominated the CMA winners:

- Taytay sa Kauswagan, Inc. (TSKI)
- First Agro Industrial Rural (FAIR) Bank
- Kabalikat Para Sa Maunlad na Buhay, Inc. (KMBI)
- Rizal MicroBank
- Paglaum Multi-Purpose Cooperative (PMPC)





The mentee (right),
Ms. Dionesia Dela
Peña with her
suman tinambiran
product with Engr.
Ma. Luisa Lee of UP
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The program came up with the following recommendations:

- 1) For the CMA winners: equipment upgrading, business insurance coverage and government regulation compliance as well as business insurance coverage are vital to level up from micro to a small business;
- 2) For the Microfinance institutions (MFIs) that provided the loans to the CMA winners: there is a need to strengthen ties with other development finance institutions that provide services beyond microfinance. As an example, MFIs may link their clients with government agencies like the Department of Science and Technology under its Small Enterprise Technology Upgrading Program (SET-UP) for possible assistance; and
- 3) For the mentors: the recommendation is to continue monitoring the progress of the CMA winners.



Value Chain Training Program

The Value Chain Training Workshop Towards the Establishment of Biodiversity-Friendly Enterprises for the Department of Environment and Natural Resources-Community Environment and Natural Resources Office (DENR-CENRO) was conducted on October 15-19, 2018 in Divilacan, Isabela. The workshop was held to help increase the community's level of appreciation on sustainable use of biological resources and establish the town's Natural Resources Inventory. UP ISSI was tapped to conduct the workshop.

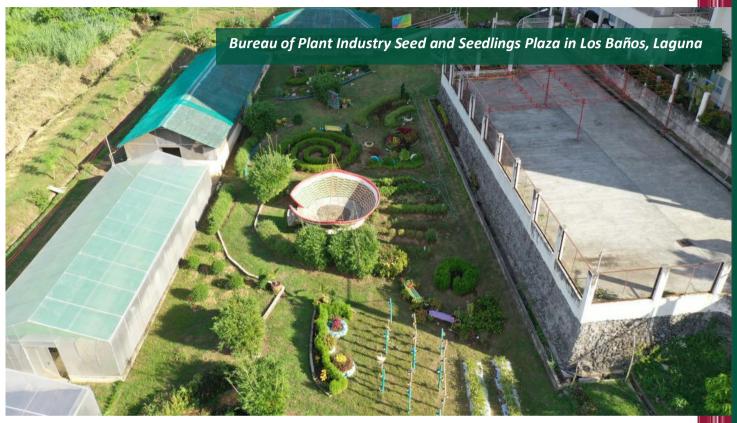


Science for the Convergence of Agriculture and Tourism (SciCAT) Program

The establishment of Science for the Convergence of Agriculture and Tourism (SciCAT) program is one of the initiatives of the Philippine Council for Agriculture, Aquatic and Natural Resources Research and Development (PCAARRD) to fulfil its mandate stipulated in Republic Act No. 10816, by developing farm tourism programa that will feature common farm tourism-related activities while also promoting the mature technologies developed through the funds provided by DOST-PCAARRD to various RDIs/SUCs. SciCAT is the result of technological convergence to improve productivity and capacity for sustainable farming practices while showcasing its beauty and attraction in scenery and unique experiences through recreational activities that will captivate curiosity and excitement among tourists.



DOST-PCAARRD collaborated with UP ISSI to lead the overall implementation of the SciCAT program. Selected Magsasaka-Siyentista Farms (MSFs), an Institutional Farm and six other farm sites will be transformed into SciCAT Farm Enterprises through enterprise assessment, planning and mentorship programs leading to the creation of employment and entrepreneurship opportunities.





UP ISSI Technology-based Business Incubation and Innovation Program

UP ISSI Technology-based Business Incubation and Innovation (UP ISSI TBII) Program supports and develops entrepreneurs with business ventures that offer tech-based products or services that are high in value and uniqueness. EasybusPH, a startup company offering an online bus ticketing system, said that the program helped them immensely because they were able to



realize their business idea to a registered startup corporation. The seven-day Start Your Own Business (SYOB) Course of the Institute was their ticket to the TBII Program. Janmar Diamaano. CEO and co-founder of EasybusPH said they learned many business concepts, most importantly those in the accounting and finance and its importance to decision-making. They also learned of many sources of

financing like DOST and DBP. EasybusPH also started the business venture with bootstrapping while in the incubation program as they leveraged on several advantages like office space and UP ISSI mentors in marketing, operations, organization, and finance aspects.

ASEAN SME Academy

The ASEAN SME Academy is a project of the US-ASEAN Business Alliance for Competitive Small and Medium Enterprises, an alliance launched by the US Agency for International Development (US AID) and US-ASEAN Business Council. The core of the Academy is a series of training materials for SMEs from Fortune 500 companies. Launched in September 2017 in the Philippines, it trained facilitators from various agencies with the mandate of assisting



MSMEs. UP ISSI was one of the agencies trained to be part of the Philippine ASEAN SME Academy Brain Trust. In June 2018, the ASEAN SME Academy facilitators gathered once again for Knowledge Sharing and Consultation Meeting. This event was also a milestone DTI PTTC for as the management of the site was turned over to them by the ASEAN Business Council.

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PCCI Education Committee

The Philippine Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the Voice of Philippine Business, promotes business interests through their various committees. UP ISSI is an active member of its Education Committee with other member universities and colleges, industry partners and government agencies. UP ISSI was also head of its sub-committee - the Government-Academe-Industry Linkage. On August 1, 2018, the Strengthening of Industry-Government-Academe towards Sustainable Innovative Growth (SIGASIG) was held at PCCI Main McKinley Hills, Taguig with Pampanga Chamber of Commerce, Export Development Council, South Luzon Chamber and the Laguna Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

In November 2018, UP ISSI was one of the final judges in PCCI Education Committee's Business Idea Development Award (BIDA) which aimed to bring out the entrepreneurial spirit and creativeness of participating colleges and universities in the Philippines.





BEDD Undertakes Mentorship Program with 115th MC IOSA Partners

The **Business** Enterprise Development Division (BEDD) commenced with the preliminary discussions and initial plant visits to the 115th Managers Course (MC) IOSA partners at the onset of the implementation of UP ISSI's mentorship program. BEDD's university extension specialists, including the division head, Engr. Leoncio T. Cubillas, Jr., were purposely assigned as business mentors to five pilot sites, matching their areas of expertise with the IOSA partners' needs. The mentorship program forms a learning and development partnership between the mentor from UP ISSI and the mentee from the 115th MC IOSA partners and involves the transfer of technology and knowledge, as well as the provision of consultancy and advisory services. At the end of the three-month engagement, UP ISSI through optimistic that the short-term recommendations relevant to the improvement of the enterprise would have been realized.

The IOSA, or Integrated Organizational Survey and Assessment, is the final output of the MC. It aims to give the participants a hands-on experience in conducting an organizational assessment in the four areas of management: production or operations; organization and human resource/personnel; and financial management. The participants prepare the IOSA report based on their findings and analysis, which is evaluated by a panel of industry experts. The mentorship program between UP ISSI and the IOSA partners is provided to address pertinent short-term recommendations in the IOSA reports. The mentorship program is a free service of UP ISSI to its IOSA partners as part of the former's advocacy of advancing and promoting MSMEs. In addition, the Training and Philippine Entrepreneurship Education Division (TEED) provides a 50% discount voucher off any regular training program at UP ISSI to address recommendations in further education and training.

BEDD Undertakes Advocacy Mentoring Project with ADMU Research Students



Under Republic Act No. 6041, UP ISSI is mandated to promote and develop small and medium industries in the Philippines through research, consultancy, and developmental activities. In line with its mandate, the institute embarks on an advocacy mentorship project with research students under the AB Communication program of Ateneo De Manila University. Ms. Cezna Sofia A. Jacob and Ms. Sydney B. Lagos, through the recommendation of their thesis adviser, Maria Inez Angela Ponce De Leon, Ph.D., sought the assistance of

Rescue is my favorite breed

Mr. Rolando Quiambao, owner of the Rolrens Lantern & General Merchandise, with the researchers Ms. Cezna Sofia A. Jacob and Ms. Sydney B. Lagos, and UP ISSI's Ms. Karen Kay B. Coballes.

UP ISSI in their project thesis aimed at creating a framework that would help build a global brand for a small-scale Filipino cultural heritage enterprise. Specifically, intended researchers to a communication plan for the partner business handle the implementation placement of necessary collaterals (i.e. logos, presence, brochures, signages, and etc.). As a mentor, UP ISSI, the **Business** through Enterprise Development Division's Ms. Karen Kay B. Coballes, helped the researchers screen and

select their partner business for the project thesis, accompanied the researchers during visitations and fieldwork to the location of the partner enterprise, and served as mentor and consultant to the researchers for the duration of the project thesis. This advocacy proved to be very timely for the chosen MSME beneficiary of the project, the Rolrens Lantern & General Merchandise, owned and managed by the husband and wife team of Mr. and Mrs. Rolando Quiambao from the City of San Fernando, Pampanga. Building a global brand for a homegrown industry and strengthening its mark as a proud Filipino cultural product, the project helped improve the demand for the lanterns.



ADVOCACY WITH THE UP COMMUNITY

Kwentahan Tayo: Accounting Talk for MSMEs with UP ISSI and UP JPIA

The UP Junior Philippine Institute of Accountants (JPIA) in partnership with the UP ISSI held a free accounting workshop for MSMEs on October 6, 2018 at UP ISSI. "Kwentahan Tayo: Pinadaling Accounting Para Sa'yong Negosyo" is a seminar-workshop on basic accounting theory, bookkeeping, and internal control targeted for non-accountant audiences, including small business owners, and aspiring business owners.

The UP JPIA, a student organization based in the Cesar Virata School of Business (VSB), and UP ISSI share the common objective of helping MSMEs through programs that aim to educate and develop their entrepreneurial and financial skills. Interestingly, Enrique Virata (whom UP ISSI Building is named after) is the father of Cesar Virata (whom VSB is named after).

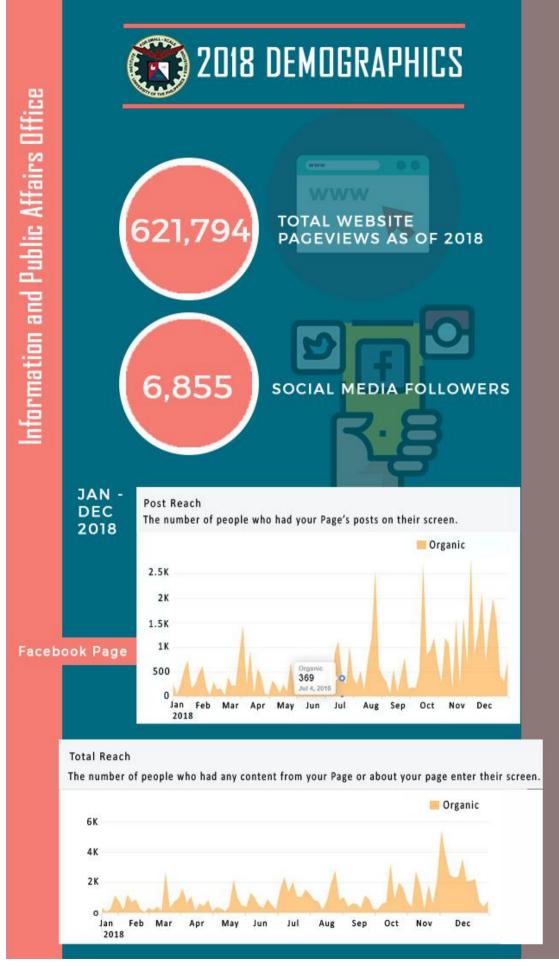
The two-part workshop was initiated by Ms. Eirene Tinitigan, with the topic "Accounting and Internal Control for Micro and Small Enterprises." Ms. Tinitigan discussed the following: internal control; cash management; cash budget; sales to cash reconciliation, sales to inventory reconciliation; cash fraud; financial analysis; basic accounting equations; basic financial statements; sales analysis; operating expenses; and, segregation of duties. The second part of the workshop, presented by the UP JPIA team, revolved around the "Basic Accounting Process." They presented the simplified flowchart on how to register a business with the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR). They familiarized the audience with accounting process, and discussed the five types of book of accounts: General Journal; Cash Receipt Journal; Cash Disbursement Journal; Sales Journal; and, Purchase Journal.

The participants were also given a problem scenario to experience the hands-on process of logging in the general journal and, more importantly, what decision to make based on the accounting principles.

With this activity, UP JPIA and UP ISSI were able to promulgate its shared advocacy of financial literacy and self-sufficiency for MSMEs.









1st Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill for 2018

UP Institute for Small-Scale Industries staff, tenants, and visitors participated in the 1st Nationwide Simultaneous Earthquake Drill (NSED) for 2018 at around 2:00 PM on 15 February 2018. This nationwide drill was held to prepare individuals and companies for the anticipated 7.2 magnitude earthquake that might strike the Metro anytime. NSED activities are to be replicated regularly to check the contingency and response capacities of the ISSI staff and management.



Ms. Joanna Rose T. Laddaran led the earthquake drill with the participants coming from all offices in Virata Hall.



Leading the way to the safe evacuation area outside the building

First Data Privacy Seminar-Workshop held in Diliman



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The Data Privacy Seminar-Workshop was held in UP Diliman last 21 February 2018. It was organized by the Data Protection Office (DPO) and focused on the importance of data privacy in the workplace, the need for information security, and the required documents to comply with the requirements of the country's National Privacy Commission (NPC).

Atty. Elson B. Manahan, DPO head, delivered the talk on Data Privacy Laws and Regulations, defining key terms such as data privacy, personal information and its types, and explaining the purpose and benefits of data privacy in the workplace. As for information security, Peter John A. Francisco explained the importance of upgrading the institutions' security system and the proper training for the staff to ensure the safety of their information.

The lectures on data privacy and information security were expounded with the actual workshop on identifying the forms each office is actually using that have personal information. These forms were collected by the Data Protection Team for certification by the NPC. Because of the importance of data protection and security, the DPO suggested that the different offices assign their own information officers to act as liaisons and ensure that their respective offices comply with the rules and regulations indicated in Republic Act 10173 or Data Privacy Act of 2012.

The workshop proved to be an effective method of informing the participants the importance of data privacy and information security, especially now when information has become both powerful and easily accessible through the advancement of technology. It also provided the participants the opportunity to voice out their own concerns regarding their files and how to properly process them.



Learning Tour on MSME Development and Innovation in Southern Taiwan

Anchored on the creative concept of T³: Tour as a Training Tool, the Centre International de Formation des Autorités et Leaders (CIFAL Philippines) and Edu-Connect Southeast Asia Association – Kaohsiung (Edu-Connect) conducted the Learning Tour on MSME Development and Innovation in Southern Taiwan from 11 to 15 December 2018. Two employees from UP ISSI, Ms. Blessilda A. Clerigo from the Training and Entrepreneurship Education Division (TEED) and Ms. Jocelle P. Mamaril from the Information and Public Affairs Office (IPAO), were part of the Filipino delegation who were sent to Kaohsiung, Taiwan. The Learning Tour, which aimed to provide an avenue for benchmarking and acquiring lessons and innovative ideas for the stakeholders of the MSME sector, had the following specific objectives:

- 1. Learn from the experiences of Taiwan on how to democratize micro, small, and medium enterprises;
- Provide an opportunity for participants to learn from the international best practices of institutions and government organizations in Taiwan whose mandates include MSME development;
- 3. Be involved in a platform for exchanging ideas and best practices that promote growth and development of MSMEs; and
- 4. Experience knowledge sharing between Philippines and Southern Taiwan MSME stakeholders.

The Learning Tour successfully achieved its objectives. By visiting Kaohsiung City, meeting various members of the industry, and partnering with universities, the delegates were able to benchmark from Taiwan's best practices, which could be replicated and/or adapted to the Philippines. CIFAL Philippines and Edu-Connect believed that the city is "a resource entity for living, learning, and entrepreneurial activities." For UP ISSI, this leaves a very good impression as it could be used to improve on training programs, which are mostly classroom-based. UP ISSI could adapt this methodology to go beyond the classroom and take advantage of the learning opportunities outside. This also serves as a good entry point for further partnerships for collaborative projects for the Filipino MSMEs with CIFAL Philippines and Edu-Connect.





Ms. Blessilda A. Clerigo, UES II (left photo, 2nd from left) and Ms. Jocelle P. Mamaril, UES II (right photo, 2nd from left) with Dr. Edna Co, UP CIFAL and Dr. Eing-Ming Wu, Edu-Connect Southeast Asia Association





View the infographics below and see how the delegates' "Wandering Learning" resulted to "Wonderful Training."



* In the pipeline for 2019: A partnership between CIFAL Philippines and UP ISSI for a Learning Session on Inclusive Business and Sustainable Development Goals for UP ISSI staff as well as a nationwide-run of the Inclusive Business Seminar Series for MSMEs.

IPAO's First Learning Session on Basic Records Management

The Information and Public Affairs Office (IPAO), a division responsible for the preservation of various Institutional records of permanent value, recently held a Learning Session on Basic Records Management on 13 November 2018. Selected staff were able to discern the latest trends on managing records and the best possible way to keep those records from losses due to several factors as discussed by the resource speaker, Ms. Sheryl T. Gerodias, head librarian of University Records Section of the UP Diliman University Library.

The learning session lasted for three hours with participants gaining knowledge on the importance of records management and the changes to store files using modern technologies.



ISSI Staff Attend Workshop on Data Analytics for MSME Managers

A workshop on Data Analytics for MSME Managers conducted by Dr. Ed Canela was held on June 26-27, 2018 at ISSI. The highlights of the two-day activity were: 1) the presentation and emphasis on the importance of data analytics in policy formulation, program development, and program monitoring and evaluation; 2) the familiarization of MSME enablers with simple, practical, and useful data analytics tools for MSME applications; 3) the identification of approaches on how to effectively interpret data and communicate information derived from the process; and 4) the sharing of experiences in gathering, processing, and analyzing data.



ISSI 2018 Strategic Planning: Finding Innovative Ways



UP ISSI held its three-day Strategic Planning Workshop on 6-8 December 2018 at Punta De Fabian Resort in Baras, Rizal.

Dr. Aleli B. Bawagan opened the Strategic Planning Workshop and challenged the participants to collectively identify ISSI's strengths to address challenges faced by the MSMEs and chart its direction for the next three years.

UP Chancellor Michael L. Tan gave his written message, which was read by Vice Chancellor for Research and Development, Dr. Fidel R. Nemenzo. Dr. Tan urged everyone to be innovative, "to find ways to diversify products or use of variety for market segmentation."

Dr. Nemenzo, meanwhile, discussed the role of MSMEs in national development, citing MSMEs contribution to the GDP. He also challenged ISSI to benchmark its programs with other institutes or universities and the need to develop policy programs to support the growth of MSMEs.

Meanwhile, a longtime partner from Department of Trade and Industry, Director Jerry T. Clavesillas, gave a rousing message citing "going back to basics" as a direction of pursuit. He also reminded everyone to be "people centric" and that an institution like ISSI should have an identity. He likewise encouraged ISSI to network with other agencies and be at the forefront for MSME growth and development.

Each division of ISSI also came up with presentations on balanced scorecards and strategic plans while results of Cities and Municipalities Competitiveness Index was also shared.

Dir. Bawagan also identified the following areas that ISSI will need to focus on in the next three years: enhancement of staff capabilities; organizational development; financial management; and, development and implementation of an inter-division collaborative project for MSMEs.





UP ISSI LIBRARY

The UP ISSI, through its Library, provides access to knowledge resources dealing with MSMEs including records having enduring value to the Institute and offers information services in support of its training, research, and extension programs.

Among the salient accomplishments of the UP ISSI Library for the year 2018 are classified into its 4 core functions as listed below.

1. Collection Development

The library collection of the Institute comprises of printed materials and online resources in business, entrepreneurship, and other subject areas dealing with micro and small enterprises. In addition to the Library's core collection, a total of 79 materials (monographs, ephemera and books) were acquired in 2018 to support the research and information needs of the Institute. (See Figure 1)

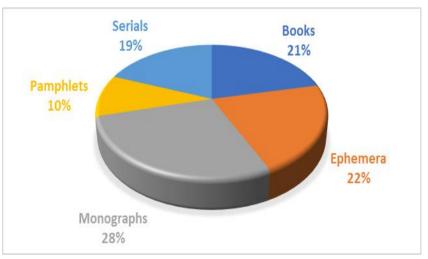


Figure 1: Library Collection Acquired on the Year 2018

Bibliographic access to these materials is through iLib, a web-based integrated library system maintained by the UP Diliman Main Library.

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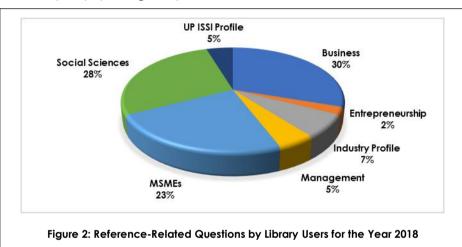
2. Archiving

To ensure effective management of records, the Library collects and preserves 1966-2018 materials having historical and significant value in the operation of the Institute, such as the Institute's annual reports, publications, and training records.

In 2018, the Library revived its digitization project for the purpose of archival preservation and business continuity planning. At present, a good number of the Institute's training records are already in digital format.

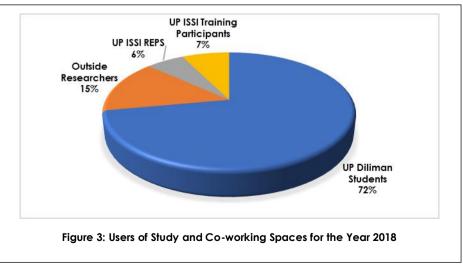
3. Reference and Information Services

The library accommodates reference-related questions in person and through electronic mail. Most of the reference-related questions were subjects dealing with business (30%), social sciences (28%) and MSMEs (23%). (See Figure 2)



4. Study and Co-working Spaces

In response to the need for an environment that allows social, group and individual study, the Library offers study and co-working spaces to its clientele. Aside from the staff and training participants of the Institute, students from other constituent units of UP Diliman were the most frequent users of the study and co-working spaces of the Library in 2018. (See Figure 3)



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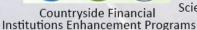
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