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To view the winning Mariano Marcos State University presentation, click on the above image.



To view the 1st Runner Up presentation by the University of the Philippines, Los Baños, click on the above image.

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Empowering Young Student Entrepreneurs

Manila, Philippines, 10 August 2016 ---- Quisumbing Torres (QT) remains committed to developing the entrepreneurial spirit among the youth, as it continues to engage in youth-centered programs. QT's support in this endeavor is particularly recognized at the recently concluded Enactus Philippines' National Competition, where the Firm was welcomed as the event's institutional partner.

Dennis Quintero, a partner in the Firm's Corporate & Commercial Practice Group, head of the Firm's Mining & Metals and Natural Resources Industry Group and the incumbent Enactus Philippines Corporate Secretary, represented the Firm in this momentous event. "Witnessing the university students' ingenuity and talents through their projects that improve people's livelihood is proof that active support from educators and business leaders alike are needed to improve the nation's quality of life. Our Firm advocates the formation of value-driven leaders," said Quintero as he pledged the Firm's continued commitment to this endeavor.

Mariano Marcos State University (MMSU) bested 12 other teams across the country when it won the 2016 Enactus National Finals. MMSU will represent the country in the Enactus World Cup on 28-30 September 2016 in Toronto, Canada.

Enactus Philippines Chairman Jose P. Leviste Jr. (Chairman, OceanaGold Philippines, Inc. and AG&P Philippines) led the awarding ceremonies with Canadian Ambassador Neil Reeder and President of Canadian Chamber of Commerce in the Philippines Julian Payne. Together, they awarded the championship trophy to MMSU and to the three other finalists, namely the University of the Philippines – Los Baños (1st Runner Up), Holy Trinity College of General Santos City (2nd Runner Up) and Sultan Kudarat State University – Access Campus (3rd Runner Up).

DTI Secretary Ramon Lopez served as the guest speaker during the 2016 National Competition. He presented successful entrepreneurial projects and reminded the audience that things are different when we have an enterprising mindset. He also commended all the student-leaders who go beyond themselves and take the extra mile to empower the communities around them.



Enactus Philippines Chairman Jose Leviste, Jr. awarded a Plaque of Appreciation to institutional partner, Quisumbing Torres. Atty. Dennis Quintero, partner in the Firm's Corporate & Commercial Practice Group, head of the Firm's Mining & Metals and Natural Resources Industry Group, and the incumbent Enactus Philippines corporate secretary, received the award on the Firm's behalf. Atty. Quintero also delivered the Welcome Remarks.



Trade and Industry Secretary Ramon Lopez, who served as the opening ceremonies' guest speaker, is joined by the Enactus Board of Directors.

From left: KPMG Philippines Chairman Roberto G. Manabat, retired QT partner and Enactus Director Atty. Leo G. Dominguez, Enactus Chairman Jose P. Leviste, Jr. Atty. Dennis A. Quintero, and students from the Enactus teams (Divine Word College of Calapan, Mariano Marcos State University and Saint Louis College of San Fernando City) pose for a picture during the League and Timeslot Draw.



Canadian Ambassador to the Philippines Neil Reeder, who served as the closing ceremonies' keynote speaker, receives a plaque of appreciation.

From left: Atty. Leo G. Dominguez, Canadian Chamber of the Philippines President Julian Payne, Ms. Irene Reeder (the wife of Ambassador Reeder), Mr. Jose P. Leviste, Jr., Ambassador Reeder and Atty. Dennis Quintero.



Enactus Philippines' Board of Directors and Sponsors welcomed Secretary Salvador Panelo, the Chief Presidential Legal Counsel of the Office of the President.

From left: Enactus Philippines Chief of Staff Cari Azores, Philippine Airlines SVP and General Counsel Atty. Siegfried Mison, EEI Corporation President Roberto Jose L. Castillo, SMX VP for Sales and Marketing Agnes Pacis, Secretary Salvador Panelo, Enactus Philippines Chairman Jose P. Leviste, Jr., OceanaGold Philippines SVP – Legal and HR Atty. Joan Adaci-Cattiling, Enactus Philippines Executive Director Atty. Michael Macabata, Quisumbing Torres Associate and Enactus volunteer Atty. Katrina Ross Manzano and Enactus Philippines Corporate Secretary Atty. Dennis Quintero.

On the eve of the National Competition, Enactus Philippines organized a welcome ceremony and networking reception for the competing and observing teams. Chief Presidential Legal Counsel Secretary Salvador Panelo served as the keynote speaker and welcomed the next breed of student-leaders. He also challenged the students by saying that the only way to change our society is to change ourselves first.

Also welcomed as an institutional partner this year is Philippine Eagle Foundation, an organization based in Davao City and chaired by Finance Secretary Carlos G. Dominguez.

The Enactus Philippines National Competition was held at the SMX Convention Center last 8-9 July 2016.

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