

“National Interest and the ASEAN Economic Community: Convergence or Competition?”

August 17, 9:00 AM-3:00 PM

GT Toyota Asian Center Auditorium, Asian Center, University of the Philippines
Diliman, Quezon City

PROGRAM

- 8:30 – 9:00 Registration
- 9:00 – 9:10 Opening Remarks
Dr. Antoinette Raquiza, Program Leader, Bugkos Research Program
Associate Professor, Asian Center
- 9:10 – 9:25 Welcome Remarks
Dr. Teodoro J. Herbosa, MD, FPCS, FPCEP
Executive Vice President, University of the Philippines
- 9:25 – 9:40 Background of Forum and Introduction of Speakers
Dr. Antoinette Raquiza

Speakers

- 9:40 – 10:10 **Dr. Josef Yap**, Professorial Lecturer, UP School of Economics and former president, Philippine Institute for Development Studies (PIDS)
- 10:10 – 10:30 **Dr. Wisarn Pupphavesa**, Senior Adviser for International Economic Relations, Thailand Development Research Institute
- 10:30 – 10:50 **Dr. Tham Siew Yean**, Senior Fellow, Institute of Southeast Asian Studies (ISEAS), Yusof Ishak Institute
- 10:50 – 11:10 **Dr. Shofwan Al-Banna Choiruzzad**, Research Fellow, ASEAN Study Center, Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, University of Indonesia
- 11:10 – 12:00 Open Forum
- 12:00 – 1:00 Lunch

1:00 – 1:10 Summary of the morning session and introduction of reactors
Dr. Maria Dulce F. Natividad
Project Leader, Bugkos Research Program
Assistant Professor, Asian Center

Panel Discussion

1:10 – 1:20 Introduction of Reactors
Dr. Aileen S.P. Baviera
President, Asia Pacific Pathways for Progress Foundation
Professor, Asian Center

Reactors

1:20 – 1:30 **Dr. Erlinda Medalla**, Senior Research Fellow, Philippine Institute for Development Studies and Project Director, Philippine APEC Study Center Network

1:30 – 1:40 **Jelen Paclarin**, Executive Director, Women’s Legal Bureau, and Chair, Regional Steering Committee of the ASEAN Civil Society Conference

1:40 – 1:50 **Dr. Geoffrey M. Ducanes**, Former Technical Officer, ILO/EU Asian Programme on the Governance of Labour Migration

1:50 – 2:45 Open Forum

2:45 – 3:00 Closing Remarks
Dr. Joefe B. Santarita, Dean, University of the Philippines Asian Center

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