



PASCN PHILIPPINE
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NETWORK

**Annual General Assembly
and Symposium**

BEYOND ASEAN @ 50

Opportunities and Challenges for Regional Integration

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- In response to the APEC Leader Education Initiatives (ALEI) in November 1993, the Philippine APEC Study Center Network (PASCN) was established by virtue of Administrative Order NO. 303 on November 23, 1996.
- Primarily tasked to promote, coordinate and be the focal point of APEC-related research and studies in the country. Since it was established, PASCN has played an active role in deepening the government's perspective on various issues that are currently part of the APEC agenda.

Objectives

- ❑ Promote collaborative research on APEC related issues
- ❑ Establish and maintain data and information base
- ❑ Encourage faculty and students to undertake studies, thesis and dissertation on APEC issues
- ❑ Facilitate information exchange
- ❑ Provide technical assistance to government agencies and private organizations on APEC related initiatives
- ❑ Undertake capability –building programs for government agencies
- ❑ Establish linkages with other APEC Study Centers in the region

Members

- ❑ Asian Institute of Management
- ❑ Ateneo De Manila University
- ❑ Central Luzon State University
- ❑ De La Salle University
- ❑ Foreign Service Institute
- ❑ Mindanao State University
- ❑ Philippine Institute Development Studies (Lead Agency and Secretariat)
- ❑ Silliman University
- ❑ University of Asia and the Pacific
- ❑ University of the Philippines
- ❑ University of San Carlos
- ❑ Xavier University

□ **Research Program**

- generally based on the APEC agenda and related issues on regional integration and globalization as it impacts on the Philippine economy.
- Experts from PASCN member institutions are tapped to do research studies through the provision of research grants
- Member institutions also independently carry out own APEC-related studies.

□ **Thesis and Dissertation Assistance Program**

- aims to extend financial assistance to graduate students of PASCN member institutions in the writing and production of their thesis or dissertation on APEC-related issues

□ **Technical Assistance Program**

- aims to provide technical assistance to government
- member of the Technical Board on APEC Matters (TBAM)
 - continued membership of PASCN in TBAM is reaffirmed with the issuance of AO 20 Reorganizing and Renaming the Philippine Council on ASEAN and APEC Cooperation (PCAAC) into the Philippine Council for Regional Cooperation (PCRC) in September 2011

□ Information Dissemination and Publication Program

- Symposium, technical workshops and roundtable discussions are undertaken to disseminate the results of the studies and to solicit comments
- The Annual Symposium is an opportunity to present key findings of the studies conducted by the Network members and a forum to discuss important economic issues that impact on regional integration and the Philippines' development agenda
- Regional presentation of studies in the provinces

Theme: **Beyond ASEAN@50:
Opportunities and Challenges for
Regional Integration**

□ **2 sessions:**

- Research Studies by DLSU
- Research Studies by other PASCN member institutions

- ❑ ASEAN Creative Industries: The Case of the Philippine Digital Animation Sub-sector
- ❑ Tech Liberty: A Threshold Policy Recommendation on Technology Liberalization in ASEAN Countries and the Effect on Income Inequality

Session 2: Others

- ❑ What does ASEAN mean to ASEAN people? (The Philippine Case)
- ❑ ASEAN Champions: Emerging Stalwarts in Regional Integration
- ❑ Reflecting on ASEAN's Contributions to the Region and the World



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