ICOOP2018

3RD INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON COOPERATIVES 15-16 November 2018 | Development Academy of the Philippines, Tagaytay City, PHILIPPINES

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

The Institute of Cooperatives and Bio-Enterprise Development (ICOPED) of the College of Economics and Management (CEM), University of the Philippines Los Baños (UPLB) holds the International Conference on Cooperatives (ICOOP) every three years as part of its commitment and advocacy to promote national and global cooperative development. ICOOP was first held in November 2012 during the International Year of Cooperatives and is now on its third round.

ICOPED will hold **the 3rd International Conference on Cooperatives (ICOOP2018)** with the theme, **"Cooperative Transformation in the Changing Global Economy"** on November 15-16, 2018 at the Development Academy of the Philippines (DAP) Conference Center, Tagaytay City, Philippines. ICOOP2018 will highlight the cooperative responses to our dynamic and rapidly changing economies and societies driven by globalization, structural transformation, market and business innovation, institutional reforms and climate change, among others.

CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES

The goal of ICOOP2018 is to make significant impact on the national and global cooperative movement by promoting exchange of technical and practical knowledge and facilitating interactions among cooperators cooperative advocates, development practitioners, academicians, researchers, and policymakers. The conference aims to provide a venue for:

- Sharing information and experiences about cooperative development;
- Imparting innovative ideas and models for cooperative enterprise development;
- Advancing scientific and technical knowhow for cooperative research, teaching, extension and policymaking; and
- Establishing linkages and promoting collaborations among cooperatives and related sectors.

At the end of the conference, we hope to contribute to the driving forces of cooperative transformation, creating resolution towards strengthening the cooperative movement and building opportunities to become a sustainable sector.

TARGET PARTICIPANTS

ICOPED expects more than 200 participants local and international participants from the cooperative sector, government agencies and institutions, non-government organizations, academe, rural-based and social enterprise sector and business industries.



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PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

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ICOOP2018 is a two-day conference, which includes the following activities:

- KEYNOTE MESSAGE: The Way Forward: Cooperatives in 2018 and Beyond
- PLENARY SESSIONS: Sustainable Business Prospects for Cooperatives

Cooperative Efforts in Promoting Decent Work and Full Employment The Future of Cooperative Statistics

Issues and prospects on the Value Chain Financing in Cooperative

- **PARALLEL SESSIONS:** Paper and poster presentations on the following subthemes:
 - Cooperatives' role in and contributions to Sustainable Development Goals;
 - Innovations in the economics and management of cooperatives;
 - Trade and market opportunities and its implications on cooperatives;
 - Socio-demographic changes and implications on cooperatives;
 - Global and local efforts in cooperative education and professionalization of cooperative management ; and
 - Cooperative experiences, lessons learned and best practices.
- Enterprise Development Demo-Workshops: Simultaneous lecture-demonstration sessions for product development, business start-ups, and livelihood activities for cooperatives and MSMEs
- **Co-op Enterprise Exhibit:** Product and service exhibit displays for invited cooperatives, MSMEs, private companies, training and education providers, and support service providers.
- Field Tour: (optional)

CONTACT INFORMATION

ICOOP2018 is organized by ICOPED with its Director, Dr. Salvador P. Catelo and the Dean of CEM, Dr. Isabelita M. Pabuayon as conference chairs.

The conference is being coordinated by Asst. Profs. Karen P. Quilloy and Liezel S. Cruz, with Dr. JP Roma D. Duque as the lead secretariat.

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