

2007 PHILIPPINES DEVELOPMENT FORUM
March 8-9, 2007
Marco Polo Hotel, Cebu, Philippines

TENTATIVE AGENDA

Theme: Achieving Broad-Based Growth through Sustained Reforms and Higher Investments

March 7, 2007 – Wednesday	
6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m	Cocktails and Dinner hosted by World Bank for Ambassadors, Heads of Delegation, Government Secretaries and Other Special Guests (by invitation)
March 8, 2007 – Thursday	
8:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.	Registration at foyer fronting the Cebu Grand Ballroom, 2 nd floor
8:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m.	Opening Session at the Cebu Grand Ballroom <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chairperson's Opening Statement • Co-Chairperson's Opening Statement
8:45 a.m. to 12:30 noon	Session I: Overall Developments/Updates at the Cebu Grand Ballroom <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Fiscal Sector's Prospects for 2007 (DOF Sec. Margarito Teves and DBM Sec. Rolando Andaya) • The GOP's Priority Infrastructure Projects (NEDA Deputy Director-General Margarita Songco) • Enhancing the Philippines' Competitiveness (DTI Sec. Peter Favila) • Remarks from Ambassador Albert del Rosario, President, Management Association of the Philippines • Speech by His Excellency, Vice-President Noli de Castro (expected at 10:00 a.m.) • General Discussions <p>Note: Coffee break around 10:30 a.m.</p>
12:30 noon to 2:00 p.m.	Lunch break at Hongkong Room, 3rd floor, and transition to break-out sessions
2:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	Session II: Parallel break-out sessions <p>A. Achieving Broad-Based Growth (<i>co-chaired by DSWD, DepED, DOH</i>) at the Tokyo Room, 2nd floor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Meeting the Millennium Development Goals ➤ Investing in human development <p>B. Sustaining Fiscal Progress (<i>co-chaired by DOF, DBM and OMB</i>) at the Cebu Grand Ballroom</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Strengthening revenue collections ➤ Implementing the 2007 expenditure program ➤ Intensifying governance reforms ➤ Developing the capital market

	<p>C. Enhancing Competitiveness (<i>co-chaired by DTI, DOE and NEDA</i>) at the Manila Room, 2nd floor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Reducing Transaction Costs and Improving Transaction Flows ➤ Supporting a Seamless Infrastructure Network ➤ Ensuring Energy Cost-Efficiency and Self-Sufficiency <p>D. Nurturing regional and local growth (<i>co-chaired by DILG, DA, DAR and MEDCO</i>) at the Shanghai Room, 3rd floor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Enhancing local government services ➤ Sustaining rural development ➤ Focusing on Mindanao <p>Coffee/snacks to be served in each session at around 3:15 p.m.</p>
Between 5:00-6:30 p.m.	Break-out session representatives to submit the two-three key messages from each session to the PDF Secretariat located at Seoul Room, 2 nd floor
7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.	Dinner for all participants hosted by the Province of Cebu at the Capitol Social Hall, Cebu City (Please be in the lobby area of your respective hotels by 6:30 p.m.)
March 9, 2007 – Friday	
8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.	<p>Session III: Plenary Session at the Cebu Grand Ballroom</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summary/integration of Action Plans (two-three key actions from each break-out session) • Brief Report on the GOP's Harmonization Agenda • Keynote Address by Her Excellency Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo (expected at 10:00 a.m.) • General Discussions <p>Note: Coffee break around 10:30 a.m.</p>
11:30 a.m. to 12:00 nn	<p>Closing Session at the Cebu Grand Ballroom:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closing Remarks by the Co-Chair • Closing Remarks by the Chair
12:00 nn to 1:00 pm	Lunch at Hongkong Room, 3 rd floor

***** Meeting officially ends. *****

A joint press conference by the Chair and Co-Chair will be held from 12:30 - 1:15 p.m. (optional for delegates) at the Beijing Room, 3rd floor.

Note: The PDF Secretariat will be located at Seoul Room A, 2nd floor. Main contact persons for the PDF Secretariat are Ms. Vickie Mendoza and Mr. Arsenio Pascual, both of the DOF. The dress code for all events is business casual or smart casual.

Chairperson: Secretary Margarito Teves, Department of Finance
Co-Chairperson: Mr. Joachim von Amsberg, World Bank Country Director, Philippines