Competition Reforms in Key Markets for Enhancing Social & Economic Welfare in Developing Countries (CREW Project)

FIRST MEETING OF NATIONAL REFERENCE GROUP (NRG) MEMBERS  
(AGENDA)

Date: July 30, 2013  
Venue: Romulo Hall, PIDS, Makati City  
Time: 9:00 am-2:30 pm

0900-0920: Welcome & Introduction
  • Welcome by Partner Organization: Dr. Gilberto Llanto, President, Philippine Institute for Development Studies (PIDS) and Mr. Filomeno Sta. Ana, Coordinator, Action for Economic Reforms (AER)  
  • Opening Remarks by Atty. Geronimo Sy, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Department of Justice (DOJ) and Head, Office for Competition (OFC)  
  • Address by Chief Guest/Chair of NRG: Dr. Shyam Khemani (CREW Project Advisory Committee)

0920-0940hrs: Project Outline, Progress & Planned Activities (Phase-I): (20 mins)  
   Dr. Rafaelita Aldaba, Senior Research Fellow, PIDS  
   • Introduction to the CREW Project  
   • Country-Specific Activities in Phase I  
   • Project Update (in Countries) and Planned Activities till the 2nd NRG Meeting  
   • Expectations from NRG Members

0940-1040hrs: Overall Diagnostic Country Report (DCR) Methodology: Kristen Harkins, Associate Advisor, Nathan Associates Inc. (30 mins):  
  • Conceptual Framework of Phase-I  
  • Overall DCR Methodology  
  Questions and Clarifications (30mins)
  Chair: R Shyam Khemani (CREW Project Advisory Committee)

1040-1050hrs: Coffee Break

1050-1210hrs: Alignment of DCR Methodology in Staple Food Sector: Sector Expert (20 mins):  
   Dr. Roehlano Briones, Senior Research Fellow - PIDS  
   • Discussion and inputs by NRG Members (60 mins)  
   Chair: Mr. Filomeno Sta Ana -, Coordinator, AER

12:10-13:00hrs: Lunch

   Dr. Gilberto Llanto, President, PIDS  
   • Discussion and inputs by NRG Members (60 mins)  
   Chair: Dr. Adora Navarro, Senior Research Fellow, PIDS

13:20-14:30hrs: Concluding Remarks & Way Forward:  
   Mr. Udai Mehta, Associate Director & Centre Head, CCIER; Dr. Rafaelita Aldaba – PIDS

Note: * Alignment of DCR Methodology in Passenger Transport Sector was presented by Ms. Debbie Gundaya, Research Associate, PIDS