CREW Project
Opening Meeting Agenda

C. P. Romulo Hall, NEDA sa Makati Building
106 Amorsolo Street, Legaspi Village, Makati City
7 May 2013, 9:30 am to 2:15 pm

9:30am – 9:45am: REGISTRATION

9:45am to 10:00pm: WELCOME/OPENING REMARKS
- Dr. Josef T. Yap, President, Philippine Institute for Development Studies (PIDS)
- Atty. Geronimo Sy, Assistant Secretary and Head, Office for Competition, Department of Justice

10:00am to 11:00am: CREW PROJECT AND ITS IMPLEMENTATION IN THE PHILIPPINES

Dr. Pradeep S. Mehta, Secretary-General, CUTS International (20 mins)

- Goal, Objectives and Anticipated Outcomes
- Country-level activities
- Timeline of Phase-I

Chair: Dr. Josef Yap

Invited Comments (10 mins each):
- Mr. Filomeno Sta Ana, Action for Economic Reforms
- Dr. Erlinda M. Medalla, PIDS Senior Research Fellow

Q&A

11:00am – 11:15am: COFFEE BREAK

11:15am – 12:15am: BRIEF OVERVIEW OF STAPLE FOOD SECTOR IN THE PHILIPPINES
by Majah-Leah V. Ravago, UP School of Economics, Assistant Professor

Issues to be covered (20 mins):
- Structure of the Market and Distribution network
- Reforms undertaken (What/When/Why): Policies, Laws, Programmes
- Performance of reform programmes (assessment reports, etc.)
- Public and Private participation in the sector
Markets where consumer and producer benefits/concerns have been seen
Private Associations and their nature of engagement

Chair: Dr. Danilo Israel, PIDS Senior Research Fellow

Q&A

12:15am -12:45am: LUNCH

12:45 – 1:45 pm: BRIEF OVERVIEW OF PASSENGER TRANSPORT SECTOR IN THE PHILIPPINES
by Gilberto M. LLanto, PIDS Senior Research Fellow

Issues to be covered (20 minutes):

- Structure of the Market
- Reforms undertaken (What/When/Why): Policies, Laws, Programmes
- Performance of reform programmes (assessment reports, etc.)
- Public and Private participation in the sector
- Markets where consumer and producer benefits/concerns have been seen
- Private Associations and their nature of engagement

Chair: Dr. Adora Navarro, PIDS Senior Research Fellow

Q&A

1:45 – 2:00pm: FEEDBACK AND DISCUSSIONS FROM PARTICIPANTS

Participants will be given an opportunity to provide feedback, input, and reactions on project activities in general, and on the specific presentation that will be made

2:00 – 2:15pm: CLOSING REMARKS

- Dr. Rafaelita M. Aldaba, PIDS Vice-President
- Dr. Pradeep S Mehta, CUTS International Secretary-General