



**Roundtable for Knowledge Partnerships with Local Academic Institutions
- Stronger, Better, and Faster Practical Knowledge for Development -
09:45 a.m. – 2:00 p. m. ▪ 27 April, 2016 ▪ Multifunction Hall 2 (Third Atrium)**

Why We Should Partner

For the last 50 years, the Philippines has graciously hosted the Asian Development Bank (ADB) in its premises. Local academic institutions and think tanks such as the University of the Philippines, the Asian Institute of Management, and the Philippine Institute for Development Studies, on their own or in various partnerships with ADB through the years, have undertaken initiatives that contribute to ADB's vision of a poverty-free Asia and Pacific region. These initiatives ranged from building the capacity of national and local leaders to manage complex governance structures, to exploring solutions to address the growing challenges of urbanization, climate change, and more, to undertaking research to expand the region's knowledge base in multiple focus areas.

Combining the knowledge and experience of local academic institutions with ADB's extensive practical knowledge from its operations can lead to the crafting of more innovative and sustainable knowledge solutions that yield bigger, better, and brighter results not just for the Philippines but for the Asia-Pacific region as a whole.

This year, ADB has introduced the knowledge partnership agreement (KPA) as a new modality to optimize the benefits from partnerships. KPAs are non-commercial agreements that allow ADB and knowledge partners who share a common goal to jointly develop and deliver work programs.

This round table discussion aims to kick start a more cohesive and productive partnership between ADB and local academic institutions in the Philippines, with the end in view of ultimately doing more to help communities lead better lives.



Program of Activities

Moderator: K. E. Seetha Ram, *Principal Knowledge Sharing and Services Specialist*

09:15 – 09:45	Registration
09:45 – 09:50	Opening Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>James Nugent, Director General, SERD</i>
09:50 – 10:00	Forging Strategic Knowledge Partnerships <p>Knowledge partnerships are critical for increasing ADB's development effectiveness, and the knowledge partnership agreement is a new modality that helps foster such partnerships.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presentation by Ryu Fukui, <i>Head, Knowledge Sharing and Services Center, ADB</i>
10:00 – 10:40	Roundtable Discussion: Governance <p>This session will focus on ADB's governance operations and how the local academic institutions can contribute to crafting innovative knowledge solutions that deliver effective and sustainable results.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presentation by Gambhir Bhatta, <i>Technical Advisor, Governance Thematic Group, ADB</i>• Open Discussion with representatives of local academic institutions
10:40 – 11:20	Roundtable Discussion: Education <p>This session will focus on ADB's education operations and how the local academic institutions can contribute to crafting innovative knowledge solutions that deliver effective and sustainable results.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presentation by Brajesh Panth, <i>Technical Advisor, Education Sector Group, ADB</i>• Open Discussion with representatives of local academic institutions
11:20 – 12:00	Roundtable Discussion: Asia-Pacific Region <p>This session will focus on how the knowledge and expertise of local academic institutions can be tapped to craft knowledge solutions that can benefit the entire region.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presentation by Naoyuki Yoshino, <i>Dean, ADBI</i>• Open Discussion with representatives of local academic institutions



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Moving Forward: Networking with Academic Institutions

This session will focus on how the partnership with AIM and UP can take shape and evolve into a powerful tool for sharing knowledge and crafting knowledge solutions.

- Moderator: Gil-Hong Kim, *Senior Director, Sector Advisory Service Division, ADB*
- Input on the knowledge portal by Carolyn Dedolph Cabrera, *Principal Knowledge Sharing and Services Specialist, ADB*

Proceed to **PDR 6** for the lunch

Luncheon Hosted by ADB & ADBI (12:30 – 14:00)

Remarks

- Naoyuki Yoshino, *Dean, ADBI*

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