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ASEAN REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON WOMENOMICS
AND THE 13th ACWO GENERAL ASSEMBLY

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
District Supervisors
Heads, Public Elementary Schools

1. The National Council of Women of the Philippines (NCWP), the charter member of the National Commission on the Role of Filipino Women (NCRFW) will host the ASEAN Regional Conference on Womenomics and the 13th ACWO General Assembly to be held on November 20-23, 2008 at the Manila Hotel with the theme **“ASEAN Womenomics: Empowering Women and Expanding Their Participation in the Globalized Economy.”**
2. The objectives of the conference are to:
 - a. understand the implications of globalization and regional integration, and to raise awareness that these have direct implications on women’s advancement and gender equality;
 - b. create awareness on Womenomics as a development tool to meet the Millenium Development Goals (MDG), particularly eradication of extreme poverty (MDG1) and promotion of gender equality and women’s empowerment (MDG 3);
 - c. identify strategies that implement the Beijing Platform for Action (BPFA) and the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) such as the promotion of women’s economic rights and independence, access to employment, appropriate working conditions, and control over economic resources; and
 - d. facilitate the development of solutions on the challenges women face in the region and thereby maximize their potentials to stimulate sustainable economic growth.
3. The participants to this activity are women leaders, government officials, managers, policy makers, development workers, educators, entrepreneurs and students from ten (10) ASEAN countries, ASEAN plus three (China, Japan and Korea) and dialogue partners from Australia, United States, Canada and other countries.
4. The registration package for local delegates includes conference kit and materials, opening session reception, plenary sessions and workshops, cultural night featuring the world renowned Bayanihan Philippine Dance Company,

coffee/tea breaks and lunches, conference proceedings, and certificate of participation. The registration fee is Four Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (PhP4,500.00) if paid until November 19 and Five Thousand Pesos (PhP5,000.00) if paid onsite.

5. For more information, please contact the ASEAN Womenomics Conference Secretariat, The Philippine Women's University, 1743 Taft Avenue, Malate, Manila, 1004 Philippines; tel. nos. (632) 526-7853; 524-2857; 521-3383; fax no. (632) 522-4002; website: www.ncwp.org.ph; www.acwo.org, e-mail: ncwp_abr@yahoo.com.ph; amelou_reyes@yahoo.com; Secretariat: Evelyn Buenaventura Alcantara, Edelisa Lacson, Nanette Jacinto and Geraldine Somera.

6. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.



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