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MEMORANDUM

FOR : **The Directors**
Biodiversity Management Bureau
Environmental Management Bureau
Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau
Forest Management Bureau
Mines and Geosciences Bureau
Climate Change Service
Legal Affairs Service

FROM : **The OIC Director**
Policy and Planning Service

SUBJECT : **INVITATION VIRTUAL INFORMATION SESSION ON THE
INDO-PACIFIC ECONOMIC FRAMEWORK FOR PROSPERITY
(IPEF) ON FRIDAY, 11 AUGUST 2023**

DATE : **08 AUG 2023**

This is to inform that the Department of Trade and Industry - Bureau of International Trade Relations (DTI-BITR) will be conducting the DTI One Country, One Voice Virtual Information Session on the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity (IPEF) on **Friday, 11 August 2023, 1:00 PM** via **Zoom Videoconference**.

The Virtual Information Session will discuss the background and overview of the IPEF including its timeline, structure, and the Philippines' negotiating strategy, as well as the key areas in each Pillar or Chapter. The Session will also discuss the expected benefits and way forward in the IPEF.

As part of the Information session, the DTI-BITR will briefly discuss the salient features of the IPEF Pillar I (Trade) text, without prejudice to the ongoing negotiations and in keeping with the IPEF confidentiality principle.

In this regard, we are extending the invitation for the Virtual Information Session to your Office, and we likewise request your kind assistance to share the invitation to relevant industry associations and stakeholder groups that you monitor, especially the intended beneficiaries under the Environment Chapter.

For your reference, we have attached herewith the Provisional Program for your reference and circulation to invitees. Kindly note that participants will be requested to register using the link below for access to the Virtual Information Session:

Registration Link: <https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwsc-GhrD4iEtOjJqPyvROZe6tc3nxdJ5h#/registration>

For your information and appropriate action, please.


CHERYL LOISE T. LEAL

26 July 2023

JONAS R. LEONES

Undersecretary for Policy, Planning and International Affairs
Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR)
Diliman, Quezon City

Dear **Undersecretary Leones**:

Greetings!

We are pleased to inform you that the Bureau will be conducting the *DTI One Country, One Voice Virtual Information Session on the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity (IPEF)* on Friday, 11 August 2023, 1:00 PM via Zoom Videoconference.

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In this regard, the Bureau seeks your valuable assistance in extending the invitation for the Virtual Information Session to relevant industry associations and stakeholder groups, especially the intended beneficiaries under the Environment chapter.

Further, this is also to inform your office that the Bureau will briefly discuss the salient features of the IPEF Pillar I text, without prejudice to the ongoing negotiations and in keeping with the IPEF confidentiality principle.

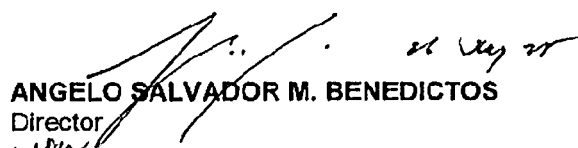
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Should you have further inquiries or concerns, please contact Ms. Marianne Shimada through email (marionnejayshimada@dti.gov.ph) or Viber/WhatsApp (+63 961 7720101).

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Very truly yours,



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BUREAU OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE RELATIONS

One Country, One Voice (OCOV) Virtual Information Session
Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity (IPEF)
11 August 2023, 1300H (Philippine Time)
Zoom Videoconference

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

I. Call to Order and Introductions (5 minutes)

- A. General Housekeeping Reminders
- B. Welcome Remarks

II. Presentation on the IPEF (40 minutes)

- A. Background and Overview
 - Timeline and Structure
 - Philippine Negotiating Objectives
- B. Discussion of Key Areas
 - Pillar I (Trade)
 - Pillar II (Supply Chains)
 - Pillar III (Clean Economy)
 - Pillar IV (Fair Economy)
- C. Expected Benefits
- D. Way Forward

III. Q&A Session (40 minutes)

IV. Closing Remarks (5 minutes)

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