

K TO 12 PLUS PROJECT September 2018 – December 2018

5th Batch In-Company Trainers Training



12 participants from the Project Partners successfully completed on 28 August 2018 the 6-day In-Company Trainers Training held in Cebu City.

The newly certified In-Company Trainers were from the 3 pilot clusters (Construction – 9; Food Manufacturing – 3; Tourism – 1).

The Cebu Clusters have already produced a total of 43 In-Company Trainers since the beginning of the Project.

Training Plan Development for Plus Element



On September 5, 2018 the In-Company Trainers of the Food Manufacturing Cluster led the formulation of their respective Training Plans in preparation for the deployment of the Plus Element Trainees. The Training Plans are based on the finalized Plus Element curriculum jointly developed by the participating companies and the Philippine School of Culinary Arts (Partner TVI).

The Plus Element training that is set to start on 1 October 2018 will train the graduates to be Food Processing Technicians with competencies in Quality Assurance, Food Safety Management, Production Line Management and Storage & Warehousing.

MOA Signing Ceremony: Between Partner Companies and TVI



A Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) signing ceremony between Food Manufacturing Cluster Partner Companies and TVI was held on September 21, 2018 to reaffirm the partners' participation and support in piloting the Plus Element of the K to 12 Plus Project.

The Plus Element consists of a one year dualized training focused on specialized skills and competencies. Trainees are expected to report to the company from Monday to Friday while their TVI classes are conducted on Saturday. Upon successful completion of the training, graduates shall undergo Chamber Assessment, resulting in the awarding of the Advanced Qualification Certificate.



Five companies have participated and accepted pilot Sr. High School graduates for the Program: Anita's Home Bakeshop; Central Seafoods, Inc; Magic Melt Foods, Inc; San Jose Bakeshop and Three Spices Catering Services. The TVI partner is the Philippine School of Culinary Arts.

Industry-Academe Summit



With the theme: *“Strengthening Industry-Academe Linkage for a Relevant, Competitive & Skilled Workforce”* an Industry-Academe Summit was held on September 25, 2018 in Cebu City bringing together various key actors in workforce development, namely Industry, Academe and Government.

Through the Summit, the participants discussed and understood the rationalization of the Philippine Education System where Basic Education is considered as a terminal track. They also recognized the need for them to work together in order to deepen and widen the skills of the workforce to make them more relevant to the requirements of Industry.

During the forum, the updated “Study on Focus Industries and their TVET-Level Qualification Requirements” was presented to provide the academe a clearer understanding of what skills are needed by Industry.



Benchmarking Mission to Malaysia and Thailand



A Study Tour was conducted on October 21 – 27, 2018 to benchmark and network with the Thailand and Malaysia TVET systems and approaches with the end in view of adopting best practice elements in Dual VET, Chamber Certification and In-Company Training.

Institutions visited were: Malaysian-German Chamber of Commerce, German-Malaysian Institute, German-Thai Chamber of Commerce, Thailand Office of the Vocational Education, Ministry of Education and Don Bosco Technological College – Bangkok.



Special Citation Awarded to AFOS & CCCI for Pioneering Efforts on ACAS



CCCI and AFOS Foundation were given a Special Citation for their pioneering efforts in education and training development and workforce capacity building by institutionalizing the establishment of the Assessment, Certification and Accreditation System (ACAS) unit within the Chamber.

The award was given during the 44th Philippine Business Conference and Expo held at Manila Hotel last October 19, 2018.

SHS Post Assessment Evaluation



Mainstream Senior High School (SHS) graduates were gathered on December 8, 2018 to conclude the Cebu activities related to the Tracer Study organized by the Project.

The Study aimed to determine the employment status of the graduates. Data collected consisted in basic personal profile, current employment status and their satisfaction levels on being part of the K to 12 Plus Project.

70 graduates accomplished the Tracer Study questionnaires.

Bhutan Delegation Visit



In an effort to uplift the quality of Technical Vocational Education and Training in the Kingdom of Bhutan, the Ministry of Labor and Human Resources under the Department of Technical Education (DTE) undertook a series of study visits to TVET-related institutions in three countries namely; the Philippines, Malaysia and Thailand from December 16 to 25, 2018.



The visit to the Philippines focused on the Construction Industry. CCCI and AFOS were, thus, requested to organize the activities owing to their active involvement in piloting Dual Training in this sector. The delegation gained knowledge on the Dual Training system in the Philippines through presentations and interactions with TESDA, CITE, CCCI and AFOS. This was further concretized through actual visits and discussions with the K to 12 Plus partners in the Construction Cluster.