

## **PROJECT NOTIFICATION**

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Date of Issue	20 July 2024
Project Code	24-CL-18-GE-CON-A
Title	Conference on Youth Education and the Future of Work
Timing	12 November 2024–13 November 2024
Hosting Country(ies)	Philippines
Venue City(ies)	Manila
Modality	Face-to-face
Implementing Organization(s)	Development Academy of the Philippines
Participating Country(ies)	All Member Countries
Overseas Participants	100
Local Participants	30
Closing Date	13 September 2024
Remarks	Not Applicable

Objectives	Examine future work scenarios shaped by socioeconomic changes and digital transformation; analyze policies and education systems for youth to adapt to evolving job markets; and introduce best practices in APO member economies for further dissemination.
Rationale	Youth are the future of economic growth, and their education is an investment in national well-being. Without updating educational systems and addressing disparities, the majority of youth will be inadequately equipped, leading to widening prosperity gaps, lower productivity, and an ineffective workforce. Preparing youth to thrive in the future job market is essential for APO members.
Background	The global workforce will undergo significant transformations driven by technological advances, demographic shifts, climate change, and changing economic paradigms. The APO's Embracing New Ways of Work Report 2021 highlighted the need to renew teaching methodologies and curricula, develop competencies among teachers and education managers, upgrade educational infrastructure, and enhance lifelong learning to empower the workforce, particularly the youth, with advanced skills, knowledge, and socially responsible attitudes to navigate the future work environment.  Given that the Asia-Pacific region is home to more than half of the global youth population, this conference will serve as a platform for APO member economies to explore how governments and individuals can prepare for the future with the support of evolving technologies, underscoring the importance of revamping education systems and policies to meet future challenges and opportunities.
Topics	Overview of projected technological advances, climate change, and demographic changes; Future of work including evolving jobs, Al-driven job displacements, and new job categories; Essential technical, creative, and soft skills; Leveraging technology in education for enhancing learning and reducing barriers; and Policy support for youth education and employment.
Outcome	Participants understand future job scenarios, essential skills required, and methods to acquire them. Policy recommendations for enhancing youth education and workforce development will be addressed.
Qualifications	Government officials on youth education and employment, labor policymakers, young professionals in public and private enterprises responsible for promoting productivity and innovation for youth development, and NPO officers.

Please refer to the implementation procedures circulated with this document for further details.

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