

Strengthening Civil Society's Participation in the Bangsamoro: Key Issues During the Transition

19-20 June in Manila, Philippines
AIM Conference Center, Makati City, Metro Manila



DAY 1 – 19 JUNE 2019 (Wednesday)

12:00 Arrival of participants, project team, and resource persons

13:30 Registration

14:00 Opening ceremony

Prayer

Welcome Message

Mr. Thomas Wiersing

*Counsellor, Head of the Political, Press and Information Section,
Delegation of the European Union to the Philippines*

Dr. Stefan Jost

Country Director, Konrad Adenauer Stiftung Philippines

14:30 **INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS IN THE BOL: ISSUES & CHALLENGES**

Important Considerations for Implementing BOL Provisions on IGR

Atty. Jose Lorena

Member, Bangsamoro Transition Authority

Atty. Naguib Sinarimbo

*Minister of Interior and Local Government,
Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM)*

15:30 **Issues & Challenges on IGR**

Usec. Jonathan Malaya

Undersecretary, Department of the Interior & Local Government

16:00 **Civil Society's Role in IGR**

Atty. Mohammad Al-Amin Julkipli

Programme Analyst, Resilience & Peace-building Unit, UNDP Philippines

16:30 Open forum (working coffee break)

17:30 **Workshop on Ways Forward for Civil Society's Engagement in the Transition**

18:30 Presentation of Group Outputs and Synthesis of Discussions

19:00 Dinner



DAY 2 – 20 JUNE 2019 (Thursday)

- 8:00 Preliminaries
- 8:15 **PUBLIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT IN THE BARMM:
ABSORPTIVE CAPACITY, BUDGETING, ACCOUNTABILITY**
- Public Financial Management in the BARMM: Prospects & Challenges**
- Dr. Romulo Miral, Jr.**
*Director-General, Congressional Policy & Budget Research Department,
House of Representatives*
- 8:45 **Financial Accountability and Absorptive Capacity of BARMM**
- Atty. Anna Tarhata Basman**
*Member, Bangsamoro Transition Authority
Chairman, Ad Hoc Committee on Internal Revenue Code*
- 9:15 **Role of Civil Society in Public Financial Management**
- Gus Miclat**
Executive Director, Initiatives for International Dialogue
- 9:45 Open forum (working coffee break)
- 10:45 **Workshop on Civil Society Monitoring of BARMM Public Funds**
- 11:30 Presentation of Group Outputs
- 12:00 Lunch break
- 13:30 **SHAPING THE ELECTORAL SYSTEM IN THE BANGSAMORO:
PARLIAMENTARY RE-DISTRICTING AND POLITICAL PARTIES**
- Policy Framework and Major Electoral Reforms**
- Atty. Lanang Ali, Jr.**
*Majority Floor Leader, Bangsamoro Transition Authority
Chairman, Ad Hoc Committee on Electoral Code*
- 14:00 **Dynamics between National & Local Electoral Offices: Considerations for BARMM**
- Dir. James Jimenez**
Spokesperson, Commission on Elections
- 14:30 **Strategic Positioning of Civil Society in Advocating Electoral Reforms in the
Bangsamoro**
- Prof. Ramon Casiple**
Executive Director, Institute for Political & Electoral Reform
- 15:00 Open forum (working coffee break)
- 16:00 **Workshop on Ways Forward for Civil Society's Engagement in Electoral Reforms**
- 17:00 Presentation of Group Outputs & Synthesis of Discussions
- 18:00 **Closing Remarks and Ways Forward**
- Atty. Benedicto Bacani**
Executive Director, Institute for Autonomy & Government
- 18:30 Dinner