

Manila International Research Conference (MIRC 2025)				
Final Conference Program				
18 September 2025 (Thursday)				
7:00 - 17:00	Registration			
8:00 - 8:15	Welcome Remarks			
8:15 - 8:30	Opening Message - Hon. Angela Lei "Chi" Ilagan ATIENZA-VALDEPEÑAS			
8:30 - 9:15	Plenary 1 - Hon. Mark LAPID - "Triple Bottom Line Tourism: TIEZA's Sustainable Tourism Infrastructure in the Philippines"			
9:15 - 10:00	Plenary 2 - Prof. Leo Mendel ROSARIO - "Advancing sustainability education in the Philippines: Pathways, Progress, and Possibilities"			
10:00 - 10:30	Coffee Break and Group Photo			
10:30 - 12:00	Special Session for Policymakers: Dr. Woei Fuh WONG - "From Risk to Confidence: Creating Policy-driven AI Environments for Researchers"			
10:30 - 12:00	STEA-1	BGL-1	HS-1	EASS-1
	Dr. Julius Andrew P. NUÑEZ - "Surfactant-modified natural zeolites for pharmaceutical waste adsorption"	Dr. Emmanuel P. PAULINO - "From Data to Discovery: Rethinking Business Research in the Age of AI"	Dr. Rowalt ALIBUDBUD - "The state of mental health publications in the Philippines from 1996 to 2022 and its comparison with the ASEAN region"	Balazon - 657123
	Pamularco - 660186	Asa - 661272	Foronda - 661446	Bersoto - 657728
	Thea - 660713	Tolentino - 661560	Rebadulla - 657109	Maruhom - 653086
	Bayhonan - 660916	Nisay - 661386	Aviguetero - 661411	Pecson - 661512
	Gomez - 659116		Villa - 661394	Arceo - 653017
12:00 - 13:30	Lunch Break			
13:30 - 15:00	STEA-2	BGL-2	HS-2	EASS-2
	Dr. Rob Jeremiah G. NUGUID - "Time-resolved spectroscopy of NOx reduction catalysts"	Atty. Chad Patrick OSORIO - "Transdisciplinarity in the age of AI"	Ms. Ferissa B. ABLOLA - "The role of microbial systematics in microbiological research and public health"	Caraig - 661134
	Pueblos - 661596	Mangrobang - 658592	Almiñe - 657124	Lugtu - 661516
	Jocosol - 661068	Cantos - 657401	Estravo - 659084	Estares - 657981
	Baguignan - 661726	Alimoren - 657766	Magtaca - 658606	Bersoto - 657729
	Carolino - 661297	Hibaoui - 661577	Dimapelis - 657224	Cortez - 661213
15:00 - 15:15	Coffee Break			
15:15 - 16:15	STEA-3	BGL-3	HS-3	EASS-3
	Cristostomo - 661598	Sison - 658594	Amores - 658689	Dr. Stephanie Marie R. COO - "Preloved, Reloved, and Reimagined: Clothing's Colonial Roots and Contemporary Reuse"
	Sebastian - 659502	Berchi - 661626	Martinez - 660032	
	Torres - 661192	Sta. Ana - 661605	Bautista - 659755	
	De Guzman - 657424	Burog - 654101	Reyes - 661385	
16:15 - 17:15	Poster Session 1			
18:30 - 21:30	Social Event: For Foreign Participants and Invited Guests			
19 September 2025 (Friday)				
7:00 - 12:00	Registration			
8:00 - 8:30	Plenary 3 - Dr. Paulo Noel A. MAZO - "How Can Employee Engagement Drive Sustainability? The Mediating Power of CSR and Ethical Leadership in the Philippine Hospitality Industry"			
8:30 - 9:30	Poster Session 2			
9:30 - 9:45	Coffee Break			
9:45 - 11:30	STEA-4	BGL-4	EASS- 4	SPECIAL SESSION ON AI (9:30 - 12:30)
	Dr. Joel GARCIA - "Switching on contrast, greening up nanoparticles: Smarter chemistry for better imaging"	Dr. Gary G. ADOR DIONISIO - "Why Diplomacy matters in governance?"	Dr. Katherine G. LACSON - "Filipina in Flux: A Historical Retrospective on the Evolving Narratives and Perceptions of Filipinas"	Topic 1: Mr. KC TANG (From Lab to Market Case Studies: Communicating Innovation for Real-world Impact)
	Bongon - 658711	Chumalan - 661188	Amiga - 659114	Topic 2: Ms. Iris HSU (AI Literacy by Design: Educating Ethical AI Practices in Higher Education)
	España - 661404	Purification - 661268	Hari - 661182	
	Lingat - 661477	Lozano - 658731	Zafra - 657533	Topic 3: Dr. Woei Fuh WONG (Health Research Outreach: Building Public Trust in the AI Era)
	Alday - 658719	Mangahas - 661442	Esguerra - 657988	
	Edodollon - 653605	Ribleza - 653885	Pasia - 658385	
11:30 - 13:00	Lunch Break			
13:00 - 13:45	Plenary 4 - Mr. Richard CHANDRA - "AI, Scholarship and IEEE"			
13:45 - 15:00	Coffee Break and Poster Session 3			
15:00 - 16:00	STEA-5	BGL-5	HS-4	EASS-5
	Madriaga - 661506	Sagun - 661180	Ritual - 657431	Dr. Chester Antonino C. ARCILLA - "Urbanization and the Philippine Housing Crisis"
	Magno - 661513	Baño - 654129	Valenzuela - 658459	
	Bala - 661434	Abing - 659066	Pol - 657420	
	Lelis - 661423		Siangco - 658584	
16:00 - 17:00	STEA-6	EASS-6	HS-5	EASS-7
	Egipto - 661415	Paghunasan - 654582	Jose - 661383	Vidal - 654335
	Aranzanzo - 659553	Zafra - 657725	Ridad - 656645	Gentica - 658596
	Garcia - 661622	Diaz - 661478	Sablas - 661389	Familaran - 661277
	Villanueva - 658395	Ancho - 653893	Antoni - 654349	Castillo - 657921
17:00 - 17:30	Closing Remarks: Hon. Francisco "Isko Moreno" DOMAGOSO			
	Awarding Ceremonies			

STEA - Science, Technology, Engineering, Architecture
BGL - Business, Government, Law
HS - Health Sciences
EASS - Education, Arts, Social Science, Social Work