



The Philippine Councilors League

invites you to the

First Asian Councils Forum

International Conference of Local Legislators in Asia

**Theme: Advancing Responsive Governance
and Decentralization Through Local Legislation**

Manila Marriott Hotel

Resorts World, Pasay City, Metro Manila, Philippines

December 4-7, 2016

DAY ONE (DEC. 4)

6:30 PM Welcome Dinner

DAY TWO (DEC. 5) *Opening Program*

8:00 – 9:00AM Registration

9:00 – 9:15 Presentation of Participants
Honorable JOAQUIN EMMANUEL G. PIMENTEL
PCL National Secretary General

9:15 – 9:30 Conference Overview
Dr EDERSON DELOS TRINO TÁPIA
Dean, College of Governance and Public Policy
University of Makati

9:30 – 9:45 Opening Remarks
Honorable ELMER O. DATUIN
PCL National Chairman

9:45 – 10:00 Welcome Address
Honorable MAYBELYN DELA CRUZ - FERNANDEZ
PCL National President

10:00 – 10:30 Keynote Address
Honorable ISMAEL MIKE SUENO
Secretary, Department of the Interior and Local Government
Republic of the Philippines

10:30 – 12:00 **Representatives from Local Legislative Assemblies
will make their individual presentations introducing their
respective Organizations**

12:00 – 1:30 PM Lunch Break

**Representatives from Local Legislative Assemblies will speak
on the following topics:**

1:30 - 3:00 The Role of Local Legislative Assemblies in Governance
and Decentralization: Country Experiences

3:00 – 3:15 Coffee/Tea Break

3:15 – 4:45	Implications of Disaster Risk Management and Climate Change to Local Governments
6:30	Dinner Program
	Keynote Speaker Honorable ALAN PETER CAYETANO Senator, Republic of the Philippines Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations
DAY THREE (DEC. 6)	
8:30 – 9:00 AM	Recap of Presentations during Day 1 Dr EDERSON DELOS TRINO TÁPIA Dean, College of Governance and Public Policy University of Makati
9:00 – 10:00	State of Decentralization under the Local Government Code: Towards A Federal Form of Government Honorable AQUILINO Q PIMENTEL Jr. Former Senate President Senate of the Philippines
10:00 – 10:30	Open Forum Dr HELARIO T CAMINERO Executive Director Philippine Councilors League-Legislative Academy Honorable ROGELIO MONTESCLAROS Chairman, PCL Advocacy Committee Philippine Councilors League Representatives from Local Legislative Assemblies will speak on the following topics:
10:30 – 12:00	Issues in Inter-Local Government Relations and Cooperation
12:00 – 1:30 PM	Lunch Break
1:30 – 3:00	Role of the Local Assemblies in Promoting Trade and Investment Opportunities in the Asian Region
3:00 – 3:15	Coffee/Tea Break
3:15 – 3:30	Imperatives of an Asian Councils Forum Honorable MAYBELYN DELA CRUZ - FERNANDEZ President Philippine Councilors League
3:30 – 3:45	Imperatives of a Global Councils Forum Honorable LIN CHIN-CHANG President Taiwan Local Councils Representatives Community Forum
3:45 - 4:15	International Cooperation Through Technical Exchange Honorable ALEX B BRILLANTES, Jr, PhD Commissioner Commission on Higher Education
4:15 – 4:30	Closing Remarks and the Next Steps Honorable ELMER O. DATUIN Chairman Philippine Councilors League

6:30

**Dinner and Recognition Ceremony for Representatives
from Local Legislative Assemblies**

DAY FOUR (DEC. 7)

7:30 – 8:30 AM

Breakfast and Tour Briefing

8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Immersion Tour - City of Manila
for Country Representatives and their Staff