## **LECB**

Low Emission Capacity Building Philippine Project (LECB PHL Project)



## **RATIONALE**

The Low Emission Capacity Building (LECB) Global Programme aims to build capacities to design and implement Low Emission Development through national mitigation actions in the public and/or private sectors. In joining the Programme, the Philippines commit to pursue a development path decoupled from high GHG emissions and to develop capacities of stakeholders by strengthening institutional frameworks and improving coordination mechanisms, and by providing technical assistance as needed, using national experts.

The LECB Global program emanates from the UNFCCC call for developed national and international organizations to support developing countries in their programs on climate change mitigation linear to their national priorities. This global project is implemented by the Europen Union (EU) and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and funded by the European Commission, Australian Government, and German Federal Ministry on Environment.

Consistent with the Global Programme, the Philippine Climate Change Commission will promote capacity development with the following main features: (1) establishment of a multi-stakeholder framework; (2) deployment of national experts; (3) country-driven institutional capacity building; (3) global peer-to-peer learning; and (5) results-based knowledge sharing.

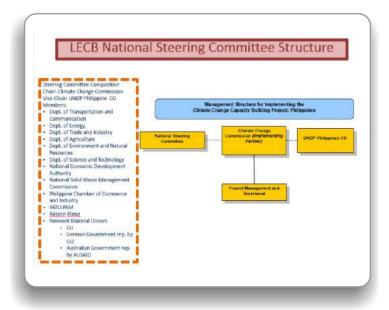
The Philippines is one of 14 phase 1 countries participating in the LECB Global Programme focused on capacity building for climate change. The Overall Programme will strengthen national capacities to do the following: 1) Develop/establish greenhouse gas inventory management systems; 2) Formulate Nationally Appropriate Mitigation Actions (NAMAs) and/or low-emission development strategies (LEDS) in the context of national development; and 3) Design MRV (Measurement, Reporting and Verification) systems to support implementation and evaluation of NAMAs and LEDS.

An Enhanced Support Programme has been approved with the support from the German Government to strengthen private sector engagement in climate change mitigation by: 1) Creating an enabling environment that will accelerate scaling up of mitigation; 2) Engaging the private sector in the design of this enabling environment that will stimulate investment in mitigation; 3) Creating an enabling environment that encourages the integration of mitigation strategies in business plans; and 4) Developing MRV schemes supported by the private sector. This second component of LECB PHL Project has project activities that extend until September 2016.



Figure 1: Outcomes of the first LECB PHL Project. Building on the achievements of this component, a second one focusing on private sector participation in implementing climate change mitigation measures has been launched.

In 2015, additional support was given to the Philippines by the European Commission through the LECB Project with the aim to assist the Philippines for the development of INDCs and preparation for the roadmap after its submission to the UNFCCC. It has 2 main outcomes: 1) Strengthening Institutional Frameworks 2) Setting up systems to monitor INDC implementation.



## **ACCOMPLISHMENTS TO DATE**

- Capacity building workshops on the national greenhouse gas inventory by sectoral lead agencies
- Assisted the Climate Change Commission in drafting the Executive Order 174 institutionalizing the Philippine Greenhouse Gas Inventory Management and Reporting System (PGHGIMRS) which was signed by President Aquino on November 2014
- Drafted the Guidance Document serving as the Implementing Rules and Regulations of EO 174
- Currently finalizing the Reference Manual on the national GHG inventory which includes a guide for the conduct of the national inventory including reporting templates by lead agencies identified in EO 174
- Development of long list of mitigation actions in key sectors
- Localized the Multi-criteria Analysis developed under the SEAN-CC project for prioritizing mitigation actions for sectors
- Developed the framework for the domestic Measurement, Report and Verification (MRV) system of the Philippines called as "National Integrated Climate Change Database Information and Exchange System" (NICCDIES)
- Organized business summits from 2013 2015 as part of the Climate Change Consciousness Week of the Climate Change Commission





Support to the development of the National Integrated Climate Change Database Information and Exchange System (NICCDIES) serving as the domestic MRV system









Assisted in the formulation of the Executive Order 174 and its Guidance Document



Capacity building workshops to apply the Multi-Criteria Analysis in prioritizing mitigation actions as inputs to the INDC



Strengthening linkages of government and the business sector through the conduct of the Business Summit during the Climate Change Consciousness Week









