



# The Second East Asian Seas Youth Forum

Youth, Oceans and Climate Change

22-27 November 2009

# Background



## Youth, Oceans and Climate Change

Over the years, the unchecked and unmitigated human activities have turned the seas of East of Asia into an alarming global hotspot. This condition may be worsened by the potential impacts of climate change. As inheritors of the planet, the youth has the most at stake, but could also play a significant role in securing their future and that of generations to come, if only their potentials could properly be channeled. Existing efforts for the sustainable development of our oceans and coasts could only be sustained over time if younger generations get involve in environmental and resource management.

The 2nd East Asian Seas (EAS) Youth Forum, one of the special events of the EAS Congress 2009, is a venue for young people in the region to learn more about pressing concerns in the marine and coastal areas including climate change as well as their role in ocean and coastal management. It also hopes to provide them with some practical skills that they can apply when they go back to their own country.

The Forum will be divided into four major sub-themes: inform, inspire, involve, empower; adopted from the first Youth Forum's core principles, I3 = E.

The youth participants will be informed and inspired by known climate change experts, marine scientists and coastal management experts including Dr. Felino Lansigan of the University of the Philippines, Los Baños, Dr. Beverly Goh of the National Institute of Education of Singapore, Dr. Laura David of the University of the Philippines-Marine Science Institute and Dr. Juergen Weichselgartner of the Land Ocean Interaction in the Coastal Zone (LOICZ) of Germany on the value of marine and coastal areas of the region, how these are threatened by unmitigated human activities and climate change as well as how the youth can be effectively engaged in addressing these issues.

Interactions with Dr. Filemon Uriarte, Executive Director of the ASEAN Foundation and respected group of panelists will empower participants to fulfill their commitment to care for the environment when they go back to their respective countries.

The youth will also get a chance to engage their environment legislators and officials in a dialogue, possibly providing them with once-in-a-lifetime chance to speak directly to their respective officials on matters relating to the coastal and marine environment.

Rounding off the activities of the Forum, a mangrove planting activity will provide participants with a learning experience outside the confines of the workshop halls and allow them to realize their great contribution in carrying out coastal management activities.

Building a group of empowered and committed youth; they will agree upon specific activities and schedule to implement activities in their respective countries as part of their commitment to the sustainable development of the EAS regions' oceans and coasts.

# Provisional Programme

## Programme of Activities

### Inform – Day 1 (22 November)

08:00 – 12:00	Arrival of participants Registration of participants
13:00 – 13:20	2nd Youth Forum Opening Ceremony
13:20 – 13:40	Video showing about the previous EAS Congress
13:40 – 14:00	Video showing about PEMSEA
14:00 – 17:30	Team building, mural making and setting-up of youth exhibit
17:30 – 19:00	Informal Reception for Participants (PEMSEA)
19:00 – 21:00	Sharing of experiences/Accomplishments on the Youth Agenda (Speaker: EAS 2006 Youth Forum participant) Interactions among 2006 and 2009 YF participants Introduction of Activity 1 (Interview of Congress Participants)

### Inspire – Day 2 (23 November)

08:30 – 09:30	Opening Ceremony
09:30 – 10:00	Opening Ceremony Keynote 1 (PICC Theater)
10:00 – 10:30	Opening Ceremony Keynote 2 (PICC Theater)
10:30 – 11:00	Photo Session
11:00 – 11:30	Tea/Coffee Break (in front of Reception Hall)
11:30 – 12:00	Plenary Keynote 1
12:00 – 12:30	Exhibit Opening (Reception Hall)
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 14:30	Keynote Speech for the Youth Forum (Hon. Vilma Santos-Recto)
14:30 – 15:00	Open Forum
15:00 – 15:30	Discussion 1: Warmer or Cooler Earth? (The Facts and Myths of Climate Change) (Dr. Felino Lansigan, UPLB)
15:30 – 16:00	Discussion 2: SDS-SEA, ICM and Climate Change (To be identified)
16:00 – 16:30	Break
16:30 – 19:00	Workshop 1 (Panelists: Dr. Felino Lansigan, UPLB Phil., and Dr. Beverly Goh, NIE Singapore) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Creative information dissemination</li><li>• Sharing of experiences on small acts that create big impacts</li><li>• The Youth and the Handbook for climate change</li></ul>
19:00 – 21:00	Reception Dinner (DENR)

# Provisional Programme

## Involvement – Day 3 (24 November)

8:00 – 10:30	Workshop 2 (Panelist: Dr. Juergen Weichselgartner, LOICZ; Facilitator: Ms. Rea Uy, UNESCO Club of Manila*) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Activity management primer for youth organizations</li><li>• Leading and involving others</li><li>• Managing sustainability</li></ul>
10:30 – 12:30	Attend International Conference Workshops (T2:1 / T2:2 / T2:3 / T3:1 / T3:2 / T4:1 / T4:2)
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 16:30	Attend International Conference Workshops (T2:1 / T2:2 / T2:3 / T3:1 / T3:2 / T4:1 / T4:2)
16:30 – 18:00	Legislators' Dialogue
18:00 – 19:00	Youth Hour with Legislators
18:30 – 19:30	Dinner
19:30 – 22:00	Discussions about experiences on the International Conference Discussion of Activity 1

## Empower – Day 4 (25 November)

06:00 – 08:00	Outdoor activity (Mangrove planting at Las Piñas, Parañaque, in coordination with MBEMP and DENR-NCR)
08:00 – 09:00	Break
09:00 – 09:30	Engaging Youth the ASEAN Way (Dr. Filemon Uriarte Jr.)
09:30 – 10:00	Open Forum
10:00 – 12:00	Panel discussions on sectoral efforts towards climate change and engaging youth in addressing climate change
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch
13:00 – 17:00	Develop Youth Statement
17:00	Submit youth statement for review

## Day 5 (26 November)

08:30 – 09:30	Reporting on Conference Outcomes
09:30 – 10:00	Closing Ceremony of the International Conference and Congress Flag Turn-over
10:00 – 10:30	Tea/Coffee Break
10:30 – 11:00	Ministerial Forum Opening Ceremony
11:00 – 11:30	Keynote Speech
11:30 – 13:00	Lunch
13:00 – 19:00	Free
19:00	Youth Jam (Tentative: GSIS Thursday Concert Series Featuring NAMCYA Winners of PHSA) Sharing of experiences of 2009 YF participants

Day 6 (27 November) EAS Congress Field Trip

Day 7 (28 November) Departure of Participants

# Activities

## Inform – Day 1 (22 November 2009)

PEMSEA and EAS Congress 2006 Video Showing	Participants will learn more about the previous EAS Congress as well as PEMSEA and its activities in the EAS Region through a short video presentation.
Sharing of Experiences and The Youth Agenda	A participant from the first Youth Forum will share his/her experiences and will introduce the Youth Agenda 2006. Accomplishments of the YF 2006 participants in relation to the Agenda will be presented. A video presentation of the other 2006 participants highlighting their accomplishments in their own country will also be presented. YF 2009 participants will also have a chance to share their stories about their participation in environment-related activities in their respective areas.
Team Building Activity and Mural making (Theme: The Youth and Climate Change)	The team building activity for the 2009 EAS Youth Forum participants aims to foster camaraderie among participants. It will be filled with activities that will help participants get to know and learn from each other as well as to build stronger ties among participants. The team-building activity will also include mural making which will allow participants to share their creativity and thoughts in relation to climate change focusing on its impacts in the marine and coastal environment and how the youth can participate in adapting/mitigating its impacts. The concept of the mural and the youth exhibit will be agreed upon by the youth participants during the course of online discussions prior to the Congress. The mural will be set up as part of the youth exhibit for the EAS Congress.
Set-up of Youth Exhibit Booth	Participants of the Youth Forum will set up the Youth Exhibit Booth at the EAS Congress Exhibition in the afternoon of 22 November, using the mural made during the team building activity and other materials that will be produced by the participants.
Activity 1	Participants will be grouped with 2-3 members and each group will be tasked to interview/interact with at least 5 Congress participants to learn their perception towards the issue of climate change and what they think are their simple contributions in addressing the issue. Each group will then share the outcomes and their insights of the activity.

## Inspire – Day 2 (23 November 2009)

Opening Ceremony of the EAS Congress	Youth Forum Participants will attend the EAS Congress Opening Ceremony and then proceed to the Youth Forum presentations and discussions.
Discussion 1: Warmer or Cooler Earth? (The Facts and Myths of Climate Change)	With an expert on climate change, Youth Forum Participants will be have a chance to learn about what climate change is; what are the scientific bases, including some skeptics' view on the topic.
Discussion 2: SDS-SEA, ICM and Climate Change	A short presentation to introduce the SDS-SEA and its significance in the EAS region will be given, as well as highlight the contribution of SDS-SEA implementation in addressing climate change. The participants will also be introduced to integrated coastal management (ICM) as a management framework of on-the-ground actions for adaptation to climate change.

# Activities

<p>Workshop 1:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Creative information dissemination</li> <li>2. Sharing of experiences on small acts that create big impacts</li> <li>3. The Youth and the Handbook for climate change</li> </ol>	<p>Workshop 1 will have some presentations on the contents of the Handbook as well as share tips on how these can be implemented by the participants when they go back to their countries. The discussion also aims to gain consensus among the participants on the contents, timeline, goals, targets, including roles and responsibilities of the participants indicated in the Handbook.</p> <p>Specific topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Role of youth in science education and communication</li> <li>• Information dissemination drives</li> <li>• Increasing youth involvement and activities of out-of-school youth</li> <li>• Sharing of information, data, pictures and information materials through various media</li> </ul>
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## Involve – Day 3 (24 November 2009)

<p>Workshop 2:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Activity management primer for youth organizations</li> <li>2. Leading and involving others</li> <li>3. Managing sustainability</li> <li>4. Develop Youth Statement</li> </ol>	<p>The 2nd workshop will focus on developing specific action plans and timelines that participants will implement when they go back to their countries. Monitoring and reporting of activities will also be highlighted. The detailed steps in implementing those action plans will be detailed in the Handbook. The East Asian Seas Youth Network (EASYNNet), the guidelines and responsibilities (as agreed upon by the YF participants) of becoming a member to the Network will be formally established. The role of the network as a mechanism for reporting and monitoring will also be discussed. The Youth Coordinator for each of the participating countries will also be selected.</p> <p>Specific Topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mobilizing the youth in partnerships with LGUs and local companies in promoting green technologies</li> <li>• Enhancing networking among youth groups to promote community-based activities on coastal management</li> </ul>
<p>Experience International Conference and Workshops</p>	<p>To inspire the YF participants and encourage their involvement in environment-related activities, they will experience the presentations and sharing of ideas of various experts and stakeholders in the EAS Congress International Conference. They will be encouraged (but not limited to) to attend the workshop on climate change. The participants will then share among themselves their lessons learned and experiences in attending the International Conference.</p> <p>Suggested Topics and Workshops:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• T2:1 – Good practices in addressing oil and chemical spills/shipping hazards</li> <li>• T2:2 – Meeting challenges of climate change at the local government level through ICM</li> <li>• T2:3 – Impacts of climate change at the coastal and ocean areas of the EAS Region</li> <li>• T3:1 – Networking of Marine Protected Areas: Good Practices and Lessons Learned</li> <li>• T3:2 – Habitat Restoration: Application of Innovative Low-cost Technology</li> </ul>

# Activities

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>T4:1 – Alternative Energy from Coasts, Rivers and Oceans</li> <li>T4:2 – Good Policies and Practices in Water Resources Protection, Restoration, Utilization, Conservation and Management</li> </ul>
Legislators' Dialogue and the Youth Hour with Legislators	Participants will have the chance to listen and discuss with legislators / policymakers on how policies are being aligned towards adaptation to climate change.

## Empower – Day 4 (25 November 2009)

Outdoor activity	In the morning of Day 4, YF participants' awareness on environment issues and actions will be highlighted. The youth will experience environmental action through a mangrove planting activity in Las Piñas, Parañaque, a declared critical habitat and bird sanctuary, in collaboration with the Manila Bay Environmental Management Project and the DENR-NCR.
Panel discussions on sectoral efforts in addressing climate change /engaging youth in their activities	This session will involve an open discussion with top level individuals from various sectors (government, academe, nongovernment organization, advocacy group/individual, business/private and UN) and aims to educate, stir the interests and make the youth think that they can do "big" with respect to climate change. The panelists will share their efforts towards addressing climate change and how the youth can be engaged in their activities.
Youth Statement	The Youth Statement will include specific action plans that Youth participants will implement on an agreed timeline when they go back to their respective countries. The Youth Agenda will be used as a guide in identifying activities that can be done, particularly in response to climate change.

## Day 5 (26 November 2009)

Closing Ceremony	A selected YF participant will deliver the Youth Statement and outputs of the EAS 2009 Youth Forum to the Closing Ceremony.
Youth Jam*	An exclusive performance night featuring guests performers. Participants will also have a chance to share their artistic talents. The programme will be interactive with some advocacy groups and youth participants sharing their environment stories in between performances.

## List of Speakers and Panelists

- Gov. Vilma Santos-Recto\* (Keynote Speaker)
- Dr. Filemon Uriarte Jr., ASEAN Foundation
- Dr. Felino Lansigan, University of the Philippines Los Baños
- Dr. Beverly Goh, National Institute of Education, Singapore
- Dr. Juergen Weichselgartner, Land-Ocean Interactions in the Coastal Zone (LOICZ)
- Dr. Laura T. David, University of the Philippines Marine Science Institute

\* to be confirmed



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# Application Form (Form 1)

Country and Organization Represented \_\_\_\_\_

Funding Details  Requesting Full Funding Support  Requesting Partial Funding Support  With Own Funding Support

Details of Funding Support \_\_\_\_\_

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Full Name (Family / Given / Middle) \_\_\_\_\_

Age \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Marital Status \_\_\_\_\_ Gender  Male  Female

Postal Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Person to be Notified in Case of Emergency \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone / Mobile Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

Highest Education Level  Vocational / Non-degree  University Degree  Advanced Degree

Status  Not Completed  Ongoing  Completed

Field of Study  Natural Sciences  Social Sciences  Environmental Sciences  Humanities  International Studies  Others \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School / University	Degree / Course	Inclusive Dates	Awards Received

List Languages Used and Rate Your Skills Accordingly (1 – Excellent; 3 – Good; 5 – Fair)	Read	Write	Speak
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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (for young professionals)

Title of Present / Most Recent Post \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Years in the Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Organization  Private Corporation  Government  Regional / International Organization  Others \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone / Fax \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Work / Responsibilities \_\_\_\_\_

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Previous Employment (Include position, name of organization, type of organization, years in organization, contact details, and description of responsibilities. Use a separate sheet if necessary)

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ORGANIZATION / COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

Name of Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Position \_\_\_\_\_ Years in the Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Organization  Environmental  Academic  Regional / Geographic  Others \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone / Fax \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Major Contribution / Accomplishment \_\_\_\_\_

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Membership in Other Organizations (Include name of organization, position, contact information, years in organization and major contributions / accomplishment. Use a separate sheet if necessary)

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OTHER INFORMATION

Please provide details of previous participation in any international event, international exchange program, or training overseas.

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Please provide details of previous participation in any PEMSEA activity \_\_\_\_\_

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What is the relevance of the EAS Youth Forum to you and the organization and country you are representing?

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How did you know about the EAS Youth Forum? \_\_\_\_\_

I attest upon my honor that all information indicated herein are true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I further declare that any information given by me that is untrue may constitute a ground for disqualification in the EAS Youth Forum.

If selected as a participant, I commit to:

- familiarize myself with the objectives of the EAS Youth Forum;
- conduct myself in a manner compatible to my status as a youth delegate to the EAS Youth Forum; and
- share what I have learned in the EAS Youth Forum to my organization and fellow young people.

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Date

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Signature of Applicant

Applicants should submit the accomplished Application Form (Form 1) and Endorsement Letter (Form 2) to the EAS Congress 2009 Secretariat before the deadline.

**Mail:** EAS Congress 2009 Secretariat  
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## The 2<sup>nd</sup> East Asian Seas Youth Forum

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# Endorsement Form (Form 2)

The 2<sup>nd</sup> EAS Youth Forum is a venue for the youth in the region to come together and share experiences, stories, knowledge and ideas on improving ocean and coastal management. It also promotes an effective learning experience through interaction with experts and leading authorities on coastal and ocean management.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name of the Applicant (Family / Given / Middle) \_\_\_\_\_

Organization to be Represented \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the Applicant and in what degree? \_\_\_\_\_

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What is the Applicant's involvement in Your Organization? \_\_\_\_\_

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SKILL RATING

Please assess the applicant's qualities based on his / her performance in your Organization

Area	Outstanding	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor
Social Skills					
Communication Skills in English					
Emotional Maturity					
Leadership Ability					
Innovativeness					
Diligence in Assigned Tasks					

In what way will the Applicant's participation in the 2<sup>nd</sup> EAS Youth Forum be useful to the Organization?

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