April 4, 2019

MEMORANDUM TO:

OIC, Office of the Asst. Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors, CID and SGOD
Elementary and Secondary School Principals
Officers-In-Charge
Public and Private Schools

14th NAKEM INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION IN MULTILINGUAL EDUCATION

Attached is Regional Advisory No. 73, s. 2019 dated April 1, 2019 re: 14th Nakem International Conference on Diversity and Inclusion in Multilingual Education on June 6 to 8, 2019 at the Bulwagang Balagtas, PUP Main Library, Santa Mesa, Manila, content of which is self-explanatory, for information.

Wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

JOEL T. TORRECAMPO
Officer-in-Charge
OIC, Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

Maka-Diyos, Makatao, Makakalikasan at Makabansa
Advisory No. 12, s. 2019
April 1, 2019

In compliance with DepEd Order (DO) No. 8, s. 2013, this advisory is issued not for endorsement, per DO 28, s. 2001, but only for the information of DepEd officials, personnel/staff as well as the concerned public.

14TH NAKEM INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION IN MULTILINGUAL EDUCATION

The Nakem Conferences Consortium of Academic Institutions, Colleges and Universities will conduct the 2019 International Conference with the theme: Democracy and Inclusion in Emancipatory Multilingual Education on June 6 to 8, 2019 at the Bulwagang Balagtas, PUP Main Library, Santa Mesa, Manila.

The activity aims to:

1. Revisit the current theories and approaches in Philippine education in general
2. Evaluate current practices in the implementation of Mother Language Education,
3. Theorize diversity and inclusion as foundational principles in working for educational and cultural parity,
4. Assess MLE instructional materials currently being issued; and
5. Propose ways to solve issues in educational parity in the country and other countries similarly situated.

The target participants are those who will submit their paper proposals for the 14th Nakem International Conferences.

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14TH NAKEM INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
Nakem Conferences Philippines, Nakem Conferences International &
University of Hawaii at Manoa Ilokano Program

Hosted by
Polytechnic University of the Philippines
Santa Mesa, Manila, Philippines

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION
IN MULTILINGUAL EDUCATION

Venue: Bulwagang Balagtas, PUP Main Library
Santa Mesa, Manila, Philippines

Date: 6-8 June 2019

Rationale

The 14th Nakem International Conference on “Diversity and Inclusion in Mother Language Education” aims to provide a venue for the exchange and diffusion of ideas, researches, and practices that take into account the condition of cultural diversity and linguistic pluralism in Philippine society and in the Philippine classroom. Because of this fait accomplit of diversity, exclusion has been the default solution of various institutions of consciousness and hardly had there been honest attempt at inclusion. During the past three generations since the imposition of a national language in the country, such exclusion has been normalized, with schoolchildren being punished in schools for speaking their mother language.

The conference specifically aims to:

- Revisit the current theories and approaches in Philippine education in general.
- Evaluate current practices in the implementation of Mother Language Education.
- Theorize diversity and inclusion as foundational principles in working for educational and cultural parity.
- Assess MLE instructional materials currently being used; and
- Propose ways to solve issues in educational parity in the country and others countries similarly situated.

Paper Proposal Requirements

A. The paper proposals of the 14th Nakem International Conferences, must hew closely to the critical orientation of the conference theme particularly in the area of theory and practice on diversity and inclusion.
B. Of interest to the organizers of Nakem 14 are themes related to linguistic justice, cultural democracy, and liberation education. All these must relate to the theme of the conference.

C. Of importance, too, are sub-topics that relate to the view of language and culture as social resources and as resources for emancipatory education, for democratic practice, and for equality.

D. Finally, topics related to indigenous languages in the Philippines and elsewhere are importance in the issue of engaged diversity and inclusion and in the discourse of multilingual education for democracy.

All proposals are blind-reviewed by an Abstract Selection Committee.

Paper proposals submitted for consideration by the Abstract Selection Committee must zero in on the theme or the specific goals of the conferences.

Only abstracts of between 150 and 200 words are accepted for presentation at the 14th Nakem International Conference.

Each abstract must zero in on the theme as drawn from the aims above. Papers that do not deal with the aims will not be accepted.

All abstracts must be sent to nakemconferences@gmail.com on or before March 15, 2019.
Notice of acceptance of abstracts will be emailed to conference paper proponents on or before April 30, 2019.

Notices will be emailed. Only e-versions of Notices of Acceptance will be sent. No other versions will be used; hence, all proponents are advised to have their own personal, or professional, email addresses.

**FORMAT OF PROPOSAL**

The proposal, of between 150 and 200 words, must follow this format:

**Name of Proposer:**

**Other co-authors** (if applicable):

**Institutional affiliation:** (complete address included)

**Contact Information:**

Email:
Cellphone:
Landline: (office, home, work)
Abstract: (Title, of no more than 10 words)

Abstract: (Content, including word count: 150-200)

For example:
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Please take note that all abstract submissions must follow the format above. PropONENTS WILL BE ASKED TO CHOOSE ONLY ONE PRESENTATION IN CASE OF MULTIPLE SUBMISSIONS.

Panel and Demo Proposal Requirements

For panel or demo proposals, each panel or demo shall consist of no less than three members, all of them working on the same theme, issue or topic but each speaker must present an individual paper. Two abstracts are needed: the panel abstract and the abstract for each paper, with the same specific requirements as those in individual presentations.

Deadline for submission of abstracts is March 30, 2019. Full papers, sent to conveners, are expected on or before May 15, 2019.

WHEN SENDING ABSTRACTS

When sending abstracts, please put this information in the subject heading of your email:

Nakem2018-[your last name]-abstract, to wit:

Nakem2018-Pagilian-abstract

REGISTRATION DETAILS
Registration deadline is April 30, 2019. The registration form should be submitted and the corresponding registration fee paid. The details of payment are found below.

Registration fee includes conference kit and meals during the actual date and only during the actual date of the conference. Registration fee is PhP 4000 per participant. Undergraduate students pay a discounted fee of PhP 3,200.

The fee must be paid in cash or in check to Nakem Conferences International Philippines Chapter, Inc. through Maybank-Laoag account number _____________. A scanned copy of the deposit slip should be sent to nakemphils@yahoo.com copy furnished to dizamariejoyce@gmail.com. The original deposit slip should be presented on-site to the Secretariat at conference registration time in order to claim the conference kit and meal stubs.

- Participants are encouraged to book their accommodation early. The cost of accommodation is separate from the Registration Fee.

- The 2019 Nakem Conference Secretariat and conveners are not in a position to do the booking for these participants except for the actual dates of the conference.

  * **LODGING AND ACCOMMODATION:** The PUP and the Nakem Working & Conference Committee has made arrangement with the Communication Foundation for Asia, a few hundred meters away from PUP, to house the delegates, participants, paper presenters, and speakers.

- All participants are required to arrange for their accommodation at the Communication Foundation for Asia.

- For logistical reasons, all participants are required to submit, by mail or by email, the confirmation of their participation by filling out the downloadable registration form.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For updates and inquiries on the 14th Nakem International Conference, please contact any of the following:

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Conference Websites & Other Sources of Updates


Other websites include: Polytechnic University of the Philippines, Mariano Marcos State University, and the Nakem Conferences institutional members.
February 5, 2019

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Dear Dr Cabral,

This is to request from your office an endorsement of our Nakem 2019 international conference on “Democracy and Inclusion in Emancipatory Multilingual Education.” The conference, the 14th international conference organized by the Nakem Conferences consortium of academic institutions, colleges and universities, local government units, aims to provide a venue for the exchange and diffusion of ideas on the place and role of democracy and engaged inclusion in the pursuit of education for citizenship and social responsibility.

Nakem Conference in the Philippines owes its existence from the same group of advocates in the United States, a group that started the annual Nakem conference since 2006, the very same year of the centenary of the sugarcane and pineapple plantation workers of Philippine descent that went to the Hawaiian islands to work as indentured laborers. Two Nakem Conferences as organizations have evolved from this advocacy work that started in the United States: the Nakem Conferences International and the Nakem Conference Philippines, the latter a consortium of institutions and individuals and founded in 2007 some twelve years ago. Both Nakem organizations have continuously joined hands to hold the annual Nakem conference either in the United States or in the Philippines.

Both organizations have pursued a tripod of mission: the building up of a community of cultural workers that are committed to linguistic justice, cultural democracy, and emancipatory education. At the start of the national campaign for the Multilingual Education (MLE), an initiative that eventually evolved into the Mother Tongue-Based Multilingual Education (MTB-MLE), both the two Nakem groups were in those various activities as advocates.

In all the years of the annual Nakem conferences, we have been able to serve the educational, cultural, and professional needs of approximately 3,000 plus attendees of these conferences both in the Philippines and the United States.

For this year’s conference, the focus of our work will be on the issue of “commitment of democracy and engaged inclusivity.” The practice of democracy and inclusivity, we understand, are necessary conditions in the pursuit of genuine emancipatory education.

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We have lined up many plenary and breakout sessions for the three-day conference, and we hope you can find time to welcome our delegates on the first day of the conference.

In anticipation of your favorable response to this request, we thank you so much.

Very respectfully yours,

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