July 9, 2019

MEMORANDUM TO:

OIC, Office of the Asst. Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors, CID and SGOD
Secondary School Heads
Officers-in-Charge of School
Public Schools Only

WELDING EDUCATION SUMMIT 2019

Attached is a communication from Philippine Welding Society dated June 14, 2019 re: 2019 Philippine Welding Summit on July 17-20, 2019, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at Platinum Building Ground Floor, MIRDC, Bicutan, Taguig City, content of which is self-explanatory, for information and appropriate action.

Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

JOEL T. TORRECAMPO
Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Officer-In-Charge
Office of the Schools Division Superintendent
June 14, 2019

Dear Sir, Ma'am:

Greetings from the Philippine Welding Society!

We are glad to inform you that the Philippine Welding Society (PWS) and the Philippine Society of Mechanical Engineers (PSME) has collaborated to organize the **2019 Philippine Welding Summit** with the theme: "Refocusing Welding Education towards Industry 4.0" which will be held from 17th to 18th of June 2019 at the 2nd flr. Titanium Auditorium, MIRDC Compound, Gen. Santos Ave. Bicutan 1631 Taguig, Metro Manila. We have invited speakers who are experts on the different topics that are lined up for the summit event.

This two-day event is PRC-CPD accredited for professionals and we invite you to learn from the top-notch international and local speakers who will inspire local engineers and welding practitioners to help re-shape the entire way of practice and education that is relevant towards industry 4.0.

We will also be exhibiting equipment and machines related to welding at the **Platinum Building, Ground floor, MIRDC, Bicutan, Taguig City.** The exhibit will be open from June 17 to 20 at 8:00am to 5:00pm.

We would be delighted to invite you for this two-day summit and witness our one week exhibit. Let's all work together in making the Filipino welding practitioners adapt in the needs of the Industry 4.0.

We are looking forward for your positive response to our invitation. Should you have any inquiries regarding the event, we are very pleased to assist you. You may reach us through:

**PWS**
Contact Person in-charge: **Mr. Tosh Eleazar Jr.**
Contact Number: 0917-9090261
Email: pws@pws.org.ph

**PSME**
Engr. Augie Soliman
Contact Number: 0917-8139681
Email: solimanac@yahoo.com

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Yours truly,

Marlotte Sheilla V. Peralta
WELDING EDUCATION COMPLIANCE FOR INDUSTRY 4.0

2nd floor Platinum Auditorium, Platinum Building, MIRDC Compound, Gen Santos Avenue, Bicutan 1631 Taguig, Metro Manila

JUNE 20, 2019 | 8:00 am 3:00 pm

Mr. Jason A. Scales, Ph.D.
Business Manager, Educational Services
Lincoln Electric USA

Program:

08:30 AM  Registration
09:30 AM  Opening Prayer
09:35 AM  National Anthem
09:40 AM  Welcome Remarks
10:00 AM  Keynote Speech:
Redefining Welding Education for Industry 4.0 by Jason Scales
10:30 AM  Coffee Break & Viewing of Exhibits
11:00 AM  Technical Presentation by Jason Scales
12:00 PM  Open Forum
12:30 NN  Lunch/Break
   Message from PWS
   Message from PSME
   Message from MIRDC
02:30 PM  Signing of MOA between Academe and Lincoln
03:00 PM  Acknowledgement

HIGHLIGHTS

Multi-track program to support welding instructors and educators to qualify for industry requirements.

How to train up upcoming welders to be responsive to the industry needs.

How to develop effective, fully qualified instructors to teach the craft and science of welding.

ORGANIZED BY:

IN COOPERATION WITH:

SPONSORED BY:
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
FOR
INTERNATIONAL WELDING TECHNOLOGY COOPERATION

This MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (hereinafter referred to as “MOU”) is entered into by and (Name of SUC) (hereinafter referred to as “_____”) with its office address at ___________________________ Philippines and shall include its lawful representatives and assigns:

AND

LINCOLN ELECTRIC COMPANY (Asia Pacific) PTE LTD (hereinafter referred to as “LINCOLN”), a company incorporated and/or having its presence registered under the respective laws of Singapore. For the purpose of this MOU, LINCOLN is represented by its head office whose address is at 22801 St. Clair Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, USA and shall include its lawful representatives and permitted assigns.

"Name of SUC" and LINCOLN shall hereinafter be referred to singularly as the "PARTY" and collectively as the "PARTIES" as the case maybe.

WHEREAS, “SUC” brings its reputation as one of the premier state universities in the Philippines for delivery of higher education programs in engineering and technology and having a suitable site and facilities for international welding technology including: teachers, classroom facilities, industry relationships, and student recruitment capabilities.

WHEREAS, LINCOLN was founded in 1895 and is headquartered in Cleveland, Ohio USA with 56 manufacturing locations including operations and joint ventures in 20 countries, and a worldwide network of distributors and sales offices reaching over 160 countries, and a global workforce of 11,000 brings its reputation as the world leader in the manufacture of the highest quality welding, cutting and joining products. LINCOLN with a century of involvement in welding training, research, instruction, participation in industry groups, code development and support of educator, trade and youth organizations offers the industry’s most comprehensive group of equipment, electrodes, welding training systems, curriculum and resources available for the welding education market today.

The PARTIES are desirous of entering into this MOU to declare their respective intentions and to establish a basis of cooperation and collaboration between the PARTIES upon the terms as contained herein.
NOW THEREFORE, the PARTIES have reached an understanding as follows:

ARTICLE I
OBJECTIVE

The PARTIES subject to the terms of this MOU and the laws, rules and regulations and national policies from time to time in force in each PARTY’S country is intended to set forth the basic understanding in order to enter into a collaborative relationship for the purpose of creating an International Welding Technology and Certification Center/Program with world class welding technology training programs and will efficiently use site resources, accelerate student learning, and result in students who are highly employable in global and local industries, promote and develop research, technical cooperation and community services between the PARTIES on the basis of equality and mutual benefit.

ARTICLE II
AREAS OF COOPERATION

1. Each PARTY will, subject to the laws, rules, regulations and national policies from time to time in force, governing the subject matter in their respective countries, endeavor to take necessary steps to encourage and promote cooperation in the following areas:

   a. LINCOLN will provide consultation services to develop an outcomes-based curriculum to meet local industry needs and selected industry relevant international certifications based upon LINCOLN’s extensive library of skill-based welding content. “SUC” will use best efforts to identify industry partners to provide input and feedback on welding technology curriculum needs and welding technology program design.

   b. LINCOLN will develop skill profile templates for selected welding technology occupations that can be used to communicate Welding technology program content and quality to the “SUC” industry partners.

   c. LINCOLN will specify the curriculum and hands-on equipment laboratories for the welding technology facility based on industry needs and compliance to the engineering education accords and an individualized learning delivery approach that will minimize cost of the laboratory and make the most efficient use of “SUC” funds.

   d. LINCOLN will develop a master teacher program to ensure that “SUC” has staff fully prepared to deliver highly successful outcomes-based welding technology training programs and effective assessments for students to assure program quality.

   e. LINCOLN will introduce the ”SUC“ welding technology program leadership teams to LINCOLN’s certification-based partners to offer students access to industry-relevant international certifications.

   f. “SUC” will make available a suitable site in the university for initial piloting of the new welding technology curriculum and laboratory facilities, making any
modifications to the facilities necessary to support these new programs. LINCOLN will provide recommendations for any modifications required.

h. “SUC” will use its best efforts to recruit qualified students for the new programs at the pilot welding technology site.

i. “SUC” will use its best efforts to advertise the programs at each site and develop industry partners that will hire the students.

j. “SUC” will make best efforts to expand the number of outcomes-based welding technology programs to provide this type of skills training among its constituencies. LINCOLN will collaborate with TESDA to evaluate program results and continuously improve programs to assure that these programs are not only the pride of the Philippines but of all of the ASEAN Region and models that will be envied throughout the world.

k. To promote the success of these programs, “SUC” may advertise, conduct conferences and seminars, or make presentations at selected events. LINCOLN leadership team, when available, will support these efforts by giving consultation and/or presentations about the latest in welding technology.

l. LINCOLN will support “SUC” in participating in local, regional, national and international skills competitions.

Any other areas of cooperation as agreed to by the PARTIES from time to time

2. For the purpose of implementing the cooperation in respect of any areas stated in ARTICLE II, this MOU will be superseded by a legally binding agreement subject to terms and conditions as mutually agreed upon by the PARTIES including clauses on “confidentiality”, “suspension”, “protection of intellectual property rights”, and “settlement of dispute”.

ARTICLE III
FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

1. This MOU will not give rise to any financial obligation by one PARTY to the other.

2. Each PARTY will bear its own cost and expenses in relation to this MOU. Cost and expenses are not inclusive of goods and chargeable services provided by LINCOLN.

ARTICLE IV
CONFIDENTIALITY

1. SUC understands that in the course of collaboration, SUC may observe or otherwise be exposed to technical and/or business information, which is proprietary to LINCOLN, its subsidiaries or affiliates (collectively “Lincoln Electric”), or of a confidential nature. This information may, for example, be contained in drawings or other documents or represented by models, charts, or devices. It may include, for example, designs, processes, financial, technical data and/or other business information or the like.
2. In view of the above reasons, SUC agrees to hold in confidence any information so observed or otherwise received and not to disclose it to any other person or company.

3. SUC understands that this obligation does not apply to information, which was known to SUC prior to its receipt from Lincoln Electric, which becomes known to the general public through no act or fault of SUC, or which is rightfully disclosed to SUC by another person or company without obligation.

ARTICLE V
EFFECT OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This MOU serves only as a record of the PARTIES intentions and does not constitute or create obligations under domestic or international law and will not give rise to any legal process and will not be deemed to constitute or create any legally binding or enforceable obligations, express or implied.

ARTICLE VI
ENTRY INTO EFFECT, DURATION AND TERMINATION

1. This MOU will come into effect on the date of the signing and will remain in effect for a period of ______ ( ) years or until terminated by either PARTY with six (6) months written notice.

2. The termination of the MOU shall not affect the implementation of on-going activities/programs

3. The MOU may be extended for a further period as may be agreed in writing by the PARTIES.

ARTICLE VII
NOTICES

Any communication under this MOU will be in writing in the English language and delivered by registered mail or sent to the electronic mail to the address as the case may be as shown below as either PARTY may have notified the sender and shall, unless otherwise provided herein, be deemed duly given or made when delivered to the recipient at such address or electronic mail address which is duly acknowledged.

TO:
PRESIDENT, SUC

PHONE:
E-Mail address:

TO:
MANAGING DIRECTOR
The Lincoln Electric Company (Asia Pacific) Pte. Ltd.
Nahanni Nagle
Phone: +65 6854 5360
E-Mail Address:
Nahanni_Nagle@lincolnelectric.com.sg
ARTICLE VIII
MODIFICATION

During the term of this MOU, the PARTIES may mutually agree to modify any of its
terms. Any modification(s) will be discussed in writing, signed by authorized officials
of both PARTIES and shall form an integral part of this MOU

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the PARTIES have signed these presents on this _____day
of ______, 2019 at __________________ Philippines.

FOR "SUC":

__________________________
BY:
TITLE:

FOR LINCOLN:

__________________________
BY:
TITLE:

SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF:

__________________________
Hon. Fortunato De La Peña - DOSt
Sec. Fortunato "Boy" Tanada of the Philippines was a Filipino engineer, professor, and a civil servant. He is the Secretary of Science and Technology at the Department of Science and Technology in the Philippines. Before he assumed the leadership of the Department, he served as the President of the Philippine Association for the Advancement of Science and Technology (PAAST) from 2001-2009 and had been the Unanimous choice of the DOSt under two previous administrations. He is also a fellow member of the United Nations Commission on Science and Technology for Development.

Sec. Isidro S. Laperea - Director General, TEDSA
Sec. Isidro S. Laperea, a former Customs Commissioner from 2015 to 2016. He is now Director General of Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TEDSA) who is very eager to further improve the agency's various technical vocational education training (TVET) programs.

Scott Straw - Marketing & Technical Director, SEAKT
Scott Straw, began as an engineering trainee with a reformed class of 1991. He joined the Automation team in Cleveland as a project engineer with mechanical design expertise. As his career progressed, he was promoted and became the Marketing & Technical Director for Southeast Asia & Taiwan.

Carl J. Peters - Director of Technical Training, Lincoln Electric USA
Carl J. Peters is the director of Global Education of Lincoln Electric USA since May 2012. He is responsible for developing Lincoln Electric's global education strategy. He is also the chair of the IWF Commission on Education and Training and Global Industry Partner representative for WorkSkills International.

Engr. Reynaldo dela Cruz Jr. - PWS President
Engr. Reynaldo dela Cruz Jr. is Chief of the Metals Industry Research and Development Center (MIRDC), Technology Diffusion Division (TDD), Industrial Training Section (ITS) and President of the Philippine Welding Society (PWS). He has been a Senior Welding Engineer (SWE) certified by the American Welding Society (AWS) since 1998. He also has been an Accredited Certifying Board (ACB) Auditor of the Asian Welding Federation (AWF) and a member of the AWF Audit and Technical Expertise Committee.

Dr. Perfecto A. Albin - Commissioner, CHED
Dr. Perfecto A. Albin replaced Dr. Angelita M. Manlapaz as Commissioner of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) in April 2012.

Dr. Jose D. Lacson - Sr. International Consultant/Senior Advisor
Dr. Jose D. Lacson is a senior International Consultant/Senior Advisor to Global Tech. He is the First Director General of the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority. He has extensive consultative experience in various countries as Chief Technical Advisor on Technical-Vocational Training/ Human Resource Development.

Dr. Jeffrey S. Singson - President, PSME
Dr. Jeffrey Singson is an ASME Engineer and a Professional Mechanical Engineer. He is a multi-awarded professional for his effective leadership skills and service to the Mechanical Engineering profession.

Engr. Robert O. Dixon - Executive Director, MIRDC
Engr. Robert O. Dixon is currently the Executive Director of the Metal Industry Research & Development Center (MIRDC) and serves as a consultant to various companies in the Philippines. He holds a BEng in Mechanical Engineering from the University of the Philippines, Diliman with a Bachelor and Master Degree in Mechanical Engineering.

Engr. Eric Jude S. Soliman - President, Hytec Power Inc.
Engr. Eric Jude S. Soliman is a Licensed Mechanical Engineer by profession and a registered ASME mechanical engineer. He was named as President in the 62nd International ASME-Welding Conference in 2012. He is a consultant to various companies in the Philippines.

Shoichiro Nomura - Welding Engineering Expert and Quality Assurance Personnel of Japan Welding Engineering Society (JWES, Japan)
Shoichiro Nomura is an Overseas activity and the expansion of Welding Coordinators Certification System of JWS. Japan Welding Federation (JWES) activities. He has a master degree at mechanical engineering from Nagoya University. He is a Senior Welding Engineer (SWE) by AWS, an International Welding Engineer (IWE) by IWW, and an IWW-IWPI-PW Peel assessment by IWW I WE Auditor certified by JISCU. He has 20 years of welding experience including welding engineering expert and quality assurance personnel in Japan.

WELDING EDUCATION SUMMIT 2019
June 17th - 18th
2nd Floor Titanium Auditorium, Titanium Building, MIRDC, Gen. Santos Ave., Bicuton 1631, Taguig, Metro Manila

Technology Exhibits Dates: June 17th - 20th
Platinum Building, MIRDC, Gen. Santos Ave., Bicuton 1631, Taguig, Metro Manila

Theme: Refocusing Welding Education Towards INDUSTRY 4.0

ABOUT
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This event shall be a gathering of hundreds of welding practitioners, educators, and industry leaders from across the country who share a common interest in developing qualified workforce through welding education. The event shall be focusing on the theme of Refocusing Welding Education Towards Industry 4.0. The event aims to reshape the entire way practitioners and educators think about welding training and education.

HIGHLIGHTS
Exhibit and Demonstration of Latest Welding Equipment
Lincoln Electric Education Partner Schools Program
Talk and Open Forum with Welding Experts

ORGANIZED BY: IN COOPERATION WITH: SPONSORED BY:
**EVENT PROGRAM**

**Day 1  June 17, 2019 (Monday)**

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<td>Skills: The New Global Currency</td>
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WELDING EDUCATION SUMMIT 2019
2nd floor Titanium Auditorium, Titanium Building, MIRDC Compound, Gen Santos Avenue, Bicutan 1631 Taguig, Metro Manila
JUNE 17-18 | 7:00 am - 5:15 pm
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HIGHLIGHTS
- Exhibit and Demonstration of Latest Welding Equipment
- Lincoln Electric Education Partner Schools Program
- Talk and Open Forum with Welding Experts

REGISTRATION FEE
PSME/PWS Member: P2,000.00
Non-Member: P2,500.00

This two-day event is PRC-CPD accredited for professionals.

ORGANIZED BY:

SPONSORED BY:
### Yes! Please register us

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### Registration and Payment Process

1. To ensure the registration, please deposit payment to:
   
   PHILIPPINE WELDING SOCIETY, INC.
   
   Bank Name: Metrobank
   
   Account No. 634-3-634169947

2. Please email copy of deposit slip to any of the ff:
   
   1. tosh.eleazar@gmail.com
   
   2. solimanac@yahoo.com

3. We will confirm your registration thru email and text.

4. We are accepting walk-ins.

### FOR REGISTRATION PAYMENT:

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### Please Contact

| Maricel Garcia |
| Secretary |
| 09175311611 |
MEMORANDUM FROM THE CHAIRMAN

FOR : ALL CHED CENTRAL AND REGIONAL OFFICE DIRECTORS
ALL PRESIDENTS / HEADS OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS (HEIS)

SUBJECT : PARTICIPATION IN THE 2019 PHILIPPINE WELDING EDUCATION SUMMIT WITH THE THEME, "REFOCUSING WELDING EDUCATION TOWARDS INDUSTRY 4.0", TO BE HELD ON JUNE 17-18, 2019 AT MIRDC COMPOUND, GEN SANTOS AVENUE, BICUTAN 1631 TAGUIG

DATE : 23 MAY 2019

In accordance with the pertinent provisions of Republic Act (R.A.) 7722, otherwise known as the "Higher Education Act of 1994", this Office hereby endorses the above undertaking organized by Philippine Welding Society (PWS) and Philippine Society of Mechanical Engineers (PSME) for the support and participation of all concerned.

This activity is open to all interested students, educators, administrators, and practitioners from Higher Education Institutions (HEIs).

Participation of officials, employees and students from private higher education institutions (HEIs) shall be VOLUNTARY. Officials and employees of State and Local Universities and Colleges (SUCs and LUCs) who will participate in this activity should obtain prior approval from the President/Head of their respective institutions. Proper use of government funds in accordance with the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) National Budget Circular No. 563 of 2016 and Budget Circular No. 2017-5 is highly expected.

For registration and further information, you may coordinate with their organizers via email at pws@pws.org.ph/augiesoliman@hytec.power.com or via phone inquiry through 0917-909-0261.

Wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

J. PROSPERO E. DE VERA III, DPA
Chairman