Environmental Law Talks 3: “Mainstreaming Environmental Justice through Science-based, Participatory Governance and Effective Law Enforcement and Adjudication”

Cebu City, Philippines May 27-29, 2014

27th May, 2014
Arrival of Participants
Hotel Elizabeth

19.30 hrs
Welcome Dinner
Keynote Speech Greening the Judicial System
Hon. Hilario Davide, Jr.
Former Supreme Court Chief Justice
2002 Ramon Magsaysay Awardee for Government Service

28th May, 2014

DAY 1: Environmental Rule of Law and Biodiversity and Climate Challenges

08.00 hrs
Registration

08.30 hrs
Introduction and Welcome Remarks
Dean Baldomero C. Estenzo
University of Cebu College of Law
Mr. Marc Spitzkatz
Director, Rule of Law Programme Asia
Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung

08.45 - 9.15 hrs
Keynote Speaker On the Road to A Peaceful Eco-revolution
Antonio Oposa, Jr.
2009 Ramon Magsaysay awardee

Question and Answer (Q&A) Session
PANEL 1: Restoring Ecological Integrity Amid the Climate Crisis

MODERATOR: Prof. Josh Carol Ventura

09.15 – 10.15 hrs  Integrating Climate Response in Decision-making

- **ASEAN’s Role and Super Typhoon Yolanda (Haiyan): The Way Forward**
  - Prof. Emeritus Koh Kheng Lian
  - National University of Singapore

- **Facing the Climate-Challenged Future (via SKYPE)**
  - Comm. Naderer “Yeb” Sano
  - Phil. Climate Change Commission

- **Sustainable Transportation System**
  - Undersec. Anneli Lontoc, CESO1
  - Dept. of Transportation and Communications

- **Mainstreaming Climate Justice**
  - Ms. Grizelda Mayo Anda
  - Founder-Environmental Legal Assistance Center

10.15-10.45 Q and A Session

10.45 – 11.00 hrs Coffee break

Panel 2: Our Earth, Our Responsibility: Integrated Ecosystems Approach in Governance

MODERATOR: Prof. Rose Liza Eisma Osorio

11.00- 12.00 hrs  Nurturing the Forests and Natural Systems

- **Mr. Nirmal Kulkarni (India)**
  - Mhadei Research Centre

- **Protecting Our Threatened Marine Ecosystems**
  - Dr. Porfirio Alino
  - UP Marine Science Institute

- **Biodiversity is Life**
  - Ms. Lisa Paguntalan
  - Philippine Biodiversity Conservation Foundation, Inc

- **Risk Assessment and the EIS System**
  - Dr. Rene Rollon
  - UP Institute of Environmental Science and Meteorology

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1 Senior Research/Teaching Fellow, University of the Philippines - School of Urban and Regional Planning
**PANEL 3: Building Resiliency of Institutions and Communities**

**MODERATOR:** Ms. Kara Noveda

- **14.00 hrs - 15.00 hrs**  
  ESWM and Governance  
  Ms. Sonia Mendoza  
  EcoWaste Coalition/Mother Earth Foundation
  
  Mainstreaming Environmental Justice through Community-based Ecotourism  
  Mr. Boboi Costas  
  Grassroots Travel CEO/Founder
  
  Building Resiliency in Communities  
  Mr. Kristian Abad Lora  
  Student Leader  
  University of Cebu College of Law

- **15.00 – 15:30 hrs**  
  Q&A Session

- **15.30 – 15.45 hrs**  
  Coffee/Tea Break

**Panel 4: Strengthening Public Participation in Environmental Governance**

**Moderator:** Mr. John Menguito

- **15.45 – 16.45 hrs**  
  Protecting Indigenous Peoples and Land Rights  
  Ms. Rose Lisa Eisma Osorio  
  UC College of Law
  
  Bottom-Up Budgeting for a Healthy Ecosystem  
  Ms. Catherine Ruiz  
  Kaabag sa Sugbo
  
  Engaging the Youth for the Sustainable Future They Deserve  
  Ms. Zeph Daniele Repollo  
  350.org

- **16.45- 17.15 hrs**  
  Q & A Session

- **17.15 – 18.30 hrs**  
  Free time

- **18.30 hrs**  
  Dinner  
  Keynote Speech  
  ‘Strengthening Judicial Integrity and the Environmental Rule of Law’  
  Chancellor Adolf Azcuna  
  Philippine Judicial Academy
29th of May, 2014

DAY 2: EFFECTIVE ENVIRONMENTAL LAW ADJUDICATION

PANEL 5: Role of Environmental Courts and Tribunals in Promoting the Rule of Law, Human Rights and Ecosystem Integrity

MODERATOR:

08.30 - 10.00 hrs  Role of Environmental Courts and Tribunals in Promoting Environmental Justice
Professor Emeritus Ben Boer (Australia, video)
Prof. Syarif Laode (Indonesia)

Environmental Litigation Challenges in the Philippines
Benjamin Cabrido
University of San Jose Recoletors
Faculty of Law

Aspects of Transnational Jurisdiction in International Environmental Law
Dr. Jorg Menzel
(Germany)

10.00 hrs - 10.15 hrs  Coffee/Tea break

PANEL 6: Strengthening Ecological Integrity through Effective Law Enforcement and Adjudication

MODERATOR: Prof. Rose Liza Eisma Osorio

10.15 hrs - 11:15 hrs  Strengthening Enforcement of Fisheries Laws
National Director Asis Perez
Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources

Protection and Management of Seascapes
Dr. Lemnuel Aragones
UP IESM

Strengthening Measures to Counter Strategic Legal Action Against Public Participation (SLAPP)
Gloria Estenzo Ramos
UC College of Law

11.15 – 12.00 hrs  Q&A Session and Action Plan

12.00 – 14.00 hrs  Lunch

14.00 – 16.30  Free time
16.30 – 18.00 hrs  
Field Trip: House Close to Nature
Speech: Low Carbon Energy and Sustainability  
Councilor Nestor Archival
Cebu City

18.00 hrs  
Dinner
Speech  “Climate Proofing the Judiciary”  
Hon. Jose Midas Marquez
Court Administrator
Supreme Court of the Philippines

Concluding Remarks  
Dean Baldomero C. Estenzo
University of Cebu College of Law

Mr. Marc Spitzkatz
Director, Rule of Law Programme Asia