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DLSU RESEARCH CONGRESS

DLSU Research Congress highlights initiatives towards a humane, green future

FOCUSING ON THE THEME "FOSTERING A HUMANE AND GREEN FUTURE: PATHWAYS TO INCLUSIVE SOCIETIES AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT," the DLSU Research Congress 2023 held last July 5-7 at the DLSU Henry Sy, Sr. Hall featured top experts from industry and partner universities, as well as University Fellows from the Gokongwei College of Engineering.

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Organized by the Office of the Vice President of Research and Innovation (VPRI), the Congress opened with a ribbon cutting ceremony graced by DLSU President Br. Bernard Oca FSC and VPRI Dr. Raymond Tan.

The keynote speaker was Dr. Nereus Acosta, Presidential Adviser for Environmental Protection, who talked about "Sustainability Climate Change and the Tragedy of the Commons: Building Local and Global Intersections and Solutions." He pointed out the imminent threats to the environment, and underscored the need for everyone, from the ordinary citizens to the leaders, to heed the international call for urgent and sustained environmental protection efforts. There were five plenary sessions and several parallel sessions during the three-day event. Also part of the event was an interaction forum with the directors of DLSU research centers and institutes.

Moreover, the congress featured an exhibit of published books and journals at the lobby of the Verdure at Henry Sy, Sr. Hall.

GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY FOR NEW BUILDING HELD

DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY recently held the groundbreaking ceremony of the St. Mutien Marie Hall of the Manila campus.

The first phase will have four storeys and will house classrooms, a sound and audio laboratory, art and design laboratories, a viewing room, editing bays, photo studios, communication design laboratories, and offices.

Present during the groundbreaking were (from left) Executive Director Facilities Management Antonio Maralit, Amcon & Company



Managing Director Ar. Joey Mastrili, New Golden City Builders and Development Corporation Principal Manny Sy, Br. Martin Sellner FSC, Risk Management, Compliance and Audit Office Executive Director Br. Antonio Cesar Servando FSC, University Provost Dr. Robert Roleda, JSLA Architects Principal Jose Siao Ling, Executive Director for Campus Development Dr. Jason Ongpeng, and Special Projects Director Dr. Armyn Sy.

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE PRESENTS PROFESSORIAL CHAIR LECTURE SERIES

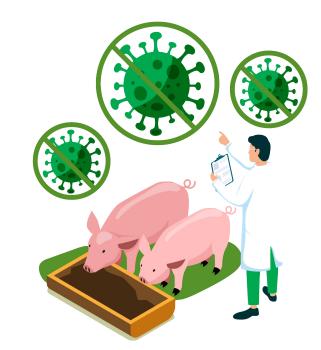
THE COLLEGE OF SCIENCE HELD A LECTURE SERIES LAST JULY 7 ON

CAMPUS, featuring the research projects of COS Full Professors and Professorial Chairs. The studies presented were on a range of subjects, from African Swine Fever to zeolite coating.

University Fellow, Br. H. Alfred Shields Chair in Biology, and Br. Cresentius Richard Duerr FSC Chair in Biochemistry Dr. Wilfredo Roehl Licuanan presented "Improved Criteria for Recognizing Potentially Resilient Coral Assemblages in the Philippines." His study tackles the subject of improving standards for identifying candidate reefs for conservation and management.

Full Professor and Cesar A. Buenaventura Distinguished Professorial Chair in Science Dr. Divina Amalin shared her findings on "Zeolite Coating Agent", a particle film technology used to control plant pests in an economically sustainable and environmentally safe manner.

In "African Swine Fever Problem: What Can We Do?" Chemistry Full Professor, Br. Goslin Camillus Chair of Life Sciences, and Don Jose Cojuangco Chair in Chemistry Dr. Drexel Camacho talked about fortifying



swine feed with antibodies in order to exert a vaccine-like effect on swine and preventing transmission of the disease.

Mathematics and Statistics Full Professor, Br. C. John Lynam Chair in Mathematics, and Br. Albinus Peter Chair in Mathematics Dr. Angelyn Lao presented "Comparative Network Analysis of Insulin Signaling", which is about the application of mathematical modeling and computational tools in analyzing the robustness and stability of an insulin signaling reaction network. Finally "Machine Learning Tools for Research and Development through the Practical Lens of Physics" was covered by Physics Full Professor, Br. Henry Virgil Pellant Chair in Physics, and Salvador R. Gonzalez Chair in Physics Dr. Romeric Pobre. His study presents real-world problems in medical imaging and biodiesel engineering through the perspective of Physics, using artificial intelligence and fuzzy logic computing tools.

Alcedo and Subia

LS Dance Company-Contemporary receives award from NCCA

THE LA SALLE DANCE COMPANY-CONTEMPORARY AND ITS TRAINER,

Peter Alcedo, Jr,. were recognized by the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA) for their active involvement and continued dance creation and performance.

Receiving the Meritorious Performance Award, they were cited for serving as an inspiration and contributing to the building of an innovative, resilient, and dynamic Philippine dance community.

Alcedo and LSDC Contemporary's Assistant Company Manager, Gelya Subia, received the award for the University last June 27 at the Metropolitan Theatre, Manila.

ECE MAJORS EMERGE AS FIRST RUNNER-UP IN QUIZ SHOW

GOKONGWEI COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING STUDENTS MAJORING IN ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATIONS ENGINEERING (ECE) bagged the first runner-up prize in ELEVATE: Race for Topnotchers quiz show held at the Far Eastern University (FEU) Institute of Technology last June 27.

Spearheaded by the FEU Tech Electronics Engineering Students' Society, the competition was participated in by eight teams from six universities and was one of the highlights of the 10th National TechnoFest - 2023 Convention on Technology and Innovation.

The DLSU team was composed of Christian Anabeza, Galvin Brice Lim, and Mark Lawrence Velasco. Another team joined the contest, with members Rocelle Andrea Belandres, Rafael Dominic L. Montaño, and Alyssa Joie Tablada.



Engr. Dino Dominic Ligutan and Engr. Jose Martin Maningo served as mentors of the students.

Volunteers participate in Brigada Eskwela



AS PART OF THE ONGOING SDG LOCALIZATION ACTIVITIES AT DLSU,

30 members of the Academic and Support Personnel participated in the Lingkod Lasalyano-Institutional Social Engagement last June 30.

The volunteers took part in Brigada Eskwela at the University's Tuluyan Center, where the DLSU Center for Social Concern and Action (COSCA) holds the Alternative Learning System (ALS) sessions. ALS is a parallel learning system in the country which provides an opportunity for out-of-school youth and adults to complete their high school education in a mode that fits their distinct situations and needs.

COSCA, through this volunteer opportunity, aims to revive social engagement

opportunities for university personnel and inform volunteers of the potential for further involvement in the ALS and the causes of its partner organizations.

The event, which was part of the celebrations of the University Vision-Mission Week, was one of DLSU's efforts localizing UN SDG's Goal 8: Quality Education. (Source: COSCA FB)

Q*UESTIONS* NOW AVAILABLE

DLSU'S ANNUAL QUESTIONS MAGAZINE IS NOW AVAILABLE. The latest issue features stories on research, innovation, and sustainability, underscoring the Lasallian institution's commitment to nation-building.

Through research and path-breaking projects, and in partnership with various stakeholders in government and industry, DLSU faculty researchers offer sustainable solutions for some of the country's most pressing problems.

Access the magazine here: https://www.dlsu.edu.ph/wp-content/uploads/pdf/ stratcom/questions-magazine/questions-2023.pdf



Linkage with University of Birmingham to promote SEA philosophy

THE DE LA SALLE UNIVERSITY SOUTHEAST ASIA RESEARCH CENTER AND HUB (DLSU SEARCH) entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Birmingham Centre for Philosophy of Religion, University of Birmingham (BCPR), UK recently.

DLSU-SEARCH was represented by its Director, Dr. Fernando Santiago, Jr., while BCPR was represented by its Co-Director, Dr. Yujin Nagasawa.

The MOU aims to promote collaboration pertaining to the research and development of Philosophy and Religious Studies in Southeast Asia.

Activities under the MOU include 1) jointly organized scientific conferences, symposiums, workshops, panel discussions, lectures, and webinars; 2) publication of articles, reports, and other materials; and 3) application for research funding.

Furthermore, the two parties will also promote faculty and student exchange, collaborate on research and share facilities, develop education media, and other related activities.



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The signing ceremony was followed by a Workshop on the Philosophy of Religion hosted by the DLSU Department of Philosophy, *Samahan ng mga Lasalyanong Pilosopo*, and DLSU-SEARCH.

The workshop speakers were Dr. Yujin Nagasawa (University of Birmingham, UK), Dr. Jeremiah Joven Joaquin (De La Salle University), Dr. Mandel Cabrera (Underwood International College, Yonsei University, South Korea), Dr. Hazel Biana (De La Salle University), and Roshan Uttamchandani (De La Salle University).

C May God continue what he has begun in you.

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Letter 46 - to Brother Robert in Darnetal, just outside Rouen, 1709

FACTS and FIGURES

De La Salle University Balay Sportfest 2023

5 Balays + Kapit Balay

Balay Jaime Balay Miguel Balay Benilde Balay Solomon Balay Mutien Kapit Balay

Z Fun Games

> Tug-of-war Sack Race

8 Sports category

Table Tennis Bowling Basketball Men Basketball Women Volleyball Men Volleyball Women Badminton Running Events

- **414** Players



The Balay Program seeks to

- Promote communion in mission and fellowship among the different members of the community by assigning teaching and non-teaching personnel to different Balays
- Encourage healthy competition and promote cooperation among members of each Balay through a point system that will be earned in all team-building activities and gatherings as well as existing university activities
- Increase participation and involvement in team-building activities through positive reinforcement and
- encouragement as they engage in friendly competition across Balays throughout the academic year
 Develop total wellness (emotional, environmental, financial, intellectual, physical, relational, spiritual, vocational) among all faculty and staff

Source: Office of the Vice President for Lasallian Mission



2401 (twen'te fôr',o, wun) is a landmark number along Taft Avenue. It is the location ID of De La Salle University, home to outstanding faculty and students, and birthplace of luminaries in business, public service, education, the arts, and science. And 2401 is the name of the official newsletter of DLSU, featuring developments and stories of interest about the University.

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