

# PROGRAM DESIGN

# 2018 Sustainable Davao Research Symposium

Theme: Gathering Sustainable Development Goals-Oriented Researches for Davao City

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) were agreed upon by United Nations (UN) member countries, including the Philippines, in 2015. The National Economic Development (NEDA) has issued a resolution requiring local government units and respective agencies to provide data needed for the SDGs. However, the government interagency committee which includes NEDA and Philippine Statistics Agency tasked to handle the gathering and consolidation of data from the local to the national have yet to convene.

In August 2017, the Sustainable Davao Movement (SDM), a loose movement of environmental advocates and organizations in the city, met to discuss, prioritize and plan for concrete actions towards the localization and realization of these SDGs in Davao City. As a result, the SDM has come up with five (5) themes to focus on as basis for advocacy in the next three years.

Research will play a crucial role as inputs to the fulfilment of the SDGs at the local level. Hence, there is a need to gather local researches from different sectors, expand partnerships, and search for replicable models that will aid SDM along with other civil society organizations in Davao City towards the advocacy of having a livable and sustainable city. The symposium will be a venue for local researches to be presented to both local government and wider public stakeholders as essential to Davao City's sustainable development. IDIS, as a member of the SDM, is calling for researches addressing these 5 themes for Davao City:

## 1. Renewable Energy

SDG 7 and 13 - Studies on energy conservation, uses of clean and alternative energy, solar, hydropower, natural gas potential wind power sources or studies on carbon emissions for Davao City and etc.

#### Zero Waste

SDG 6, 15 and 12 – Studies on solid waste management, pollution control, sanitation, waste or water treatment technologies, systems and etc.

#### 3. Healthy Watersheds

SDG 6, 14, and 15 – Studies on upland, urban to coastal watershed management, reforestation or sustainable forest management, wildlife and biodiversity conservation, water quality and resources management, hydrology and geology, aquatic and marine resources management.

# 4. Sustainable Agricultural Practices

SDG 2 and 3 – Studies on ecological or organic agriculture, indigenous or natural farming systems, food security and responsible consumption, agro-forestry, urban farming or container gardening.



#### Disaster Resilient & Green Communities

SDG 9, 11, 13 and 16 – Studies on sustainable and resilient infrastructures, architecture design and development, natural disaster and flood risk reduction and management, land-use planning, zoning, urban green zones, public parks and open spaces.

#### **OBJECTIVES**

- To gather local researches and studies in line with the Sustainable Development Goals
- To provide a venue for students, researchers, practitioners, groups and individuals to present their environment and sustainable development related researches and initiatives;
- To discuss how the researches and initiatives will be able to help the LGUs pursue environmental protection and sustainable development;
- To gather commitment from schools and other research institutions to conduct similar annual event.
- To expand network of research partners and sustainable practitioners (IDIS internal objective)

**DATE** September 28, 2018, Friday (9:00am – 5:00pm)

VENUE TBA

PARTICIPANTS (70-80pax)

- 1. Presenters
- 2. Government Officials (Executive/Legislative)
- Stakeholders/Partners
- 4. Academe/Students
- 5. Media

# **ABSTRACT SUBMISSION**

- Open to all secondary to tertiary students, faculty, researchers in private and state universities and colleges, non-government organizations, companies and etc.
- Each applicant must submit an abstract
- Deadline of submission is on August 31, 2018
- Send your abstracts and documents to: Interface Development Interventions Email: interfacedvo@gmail.com
- Each submitted abstract will go through screening process which will be announced on September 7, 2018

#### **AWARDS/PRIZES**

- Sustainable Science Award
- Best Oral Presentation
- Best Paper



# **PAYMENT/FEES**

250.00php - Student Presenter (secondary, tertiary) note: Please present school I.D.

350.00php - Non-student Presenter (professional researchers, NGOs, private institutions)

200.00php - Non-presenter / Regular Participant

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