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**DR. DENNIS C. DE PAZ**

President

Eastern Visayas State University

Quarry District, Salazar Street, Tacloban City, Leyte

Dear Dr. De Paz:

The University of the Philippines Los Baños - Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics (DAAE), in partnership with the Applied and Agricultural Economics Society, Inc. (AAES), will be holding the **2023 International Conference on Applied and Agricultural Economics (AECON 2023)** with the theme, “Advancing Knowledge and Forging Cooperation towards Sustainable Food and Agricultural Development”. The conference will be held on 19 – 20 October 2023 via Zoom. **AECON 2023** is an endeavor of DAAE and AAES to further the dialogue on the role and challenges faced by the food and agriculture sector in sustainable development while taking into account population growth.

Last year 2019, the DAAE and AAES successfully hosted the 2019 International Conference on Applied and Agricultural Economics (AECON 2019) with the theme, “Agricultural Economics at the Frontier: Learning from the Past and Shaping the Future of the Global Agricultural Economy”. This time around, with **AECON 2023**, the dialogue would focus on the frontiers in food and agriculture that help the global economy achieve the sustainable development goals, particularly in the following areas:

- **Food security and nutrition**
- **Natural resource management**
- **Governance, markets, civil society, and institutions**
- **Technological development in food and agricultural systems**

The overall objective of the conference is to enable stakeholders to cultivate their interest in food and agriculture to dialogue on issues, explore options, and nurture partnerships. In line with this, we would like to seek your support in inviting delegates from your institution to participate and present papers on topics related to the above-mentioned sub-themes. Attached herewith are the call for abstracts and other conference details for your reference. The deadline for the submission of abstracts is on July 31, 2023. Papers may be selected for publication in The Journal of Economics, Management & Agricultural Development (JEMAD) (ISSN: 2546-101X), an in-house peer-reviewed publication of the College of Economics and Management (CEM), UPLB.

The registration fee will only be charged to the presenters, which is PHP 1,000 per person (PHP 500 for students) for local presenters or USD 35 (USD 20 for students) for international presenters. For inquiries, you may communicate with the Secretariat via email at [aecon.uplb@up.edu.ph](mailto:aecon.uplb@up.edu.ph) or call at +63 (49) 536 3292. You may also visit the official social media accounts of AECON2023 (Facebook page: AECON; Twitter account: @daAECON) for updates and further announcements.

Thank you very much.

Truly yours,

  
**JULIETA A. DELOSREYES**  
Conference Convener and Chair, DAAE