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THE PHILIPPINE BOAT BUILDING ROAD MAPPING SEMINAR CUM WORKSHOP

Manila, Philippines, 18 January 2017 – The Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA), through its Shipyards Regulation Service (SRS) has organized and sponsored a Boat Building Road Mapping Seminar cum Workshop which was attended by its technical personnel and the boatbuilding industry stakeholders at The Heritage Hotel Manila, Roxas Blvd. corner EDSA, Pasay City, Manila, Philippines on 08 – 09 December 2016.

The activity was specifically aimed at shaping the boatbuilding industry's future as a vital part on the development of the Philippines' maritime industry.

Capt. Alfredo V. Vidal, Officer-In-Charge of the Office of the Deputy Administrator for Operations of MARINA, in welcoming the participants has recognized the undeniable importance of an integrated and coordinated nationwide transport network. According to Capt. Vidal, the extensive use of boats in marine transportation is due to the archipelagic condition of the country apart from the growing demand of the tourism sector. Correspondingly, the boatbuilding industry should be developed and sustainable in order to constantly build or produce affordable, safe, reliable, efficient and environmentally friendly boats that will ultimately and effectively connect the islands of the country.

In the seminar-workshop several inputs and information were presented which had greatly helped the participants in their output for the Boatbuilding Industry Roadmap. The following are the presenters during the activity with their corresponding presentations:

- Engr. Ramon C. Hernandez (Director II, MARINA-Shipyards Regulation Service): Overview and updates on the Philippine Boatbuilding Industry
- Engr. Sammuel T. Lim (Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers): Philippine Naval Architecture and Ship/Boat Designs
- Mr. Marco T. Tronqued and Engr. Eugene T. Supangan (Boating Industry Association of the Philippines): Promotion of the Philippine Boating Industry
- Mr. Meneleo G. Carlos (President, Shipyard Association of the Philippines): The Role of Shipyard Association of the Philippines in Ship/Boat Building Industry
- Ms. Merva G. Arapo (DENR-Environmental Management Bureau): Status of the Philippine Environment and Overview of Laws on Promoting Quality Environment by Land-based Industries
- Mr. Jose Pepito A. Yusingbo (Manager, DBP-Small and Medium Investment Loans for Entrepreneurs): Financing Scheme for the Philippine Boatbuilding Industry
- Mr. Reynaldo D. Lignes (DTI-Board of Investment): Incentivizing the Philippine Boatbuilding Industry
- Ms. Corazon S. Bobadilla (The Boat Shop Corporation): Fiberglass Reinforced Plastic (FRP) Boatbuilding Technique and Advantages
- Ms. Imelda D. Tatad (MARINA-Domestic Shipping Service): Registration, Documentation and Deletion of Ships Operating in Philippine Waters
- Engr. Bernardo A. Pollo (MARINA-Maritime Safety Service): Maritime Safety Regulations for Boats/Bancas
- Ms. Geraldine E. Evangelista (MARINA-Franchising Service): Issuance of Certificate of Public Convenience

Participants in the seminar-workshop were also grouped in order to cover in their respective discussions and output of the following topic:

- Policy Review and Regulatory Environment in Boatbuilding Industry;
- Incentives and Financing for the Boatbuilding Industry;
- Quality Environment, Health and Safety in the Boatbuilding Industry;
- Capacity Building for the Boatbuilding Industry;
- Technology Innovation in the Boatbuilding Industry; and
- Boatbuilding Industry Stakeholders Engagement.

Outputs from the groups of the participants were all discussed led by Engr. Hernandez including timelines of the actions to be undertaken in order to develop and enhance the Philippine Boatbuilding Industry.

In closing the Activity, the MARINA's Shipyards Regulation Service Director II, Engr. Hernandez further seek and encouraged the support from the stakeholders to include concerned government agencies in developing the Philippine Boatbuilding Industry. He likewise ensured that inputs during the activity were all duly taken and that MARINA, through the SRS will include the same in its Plans and Programs for the development of the boatbuilding sector. This is to effectively support the nationwide demand of affordable, efficient, safe, reliable and environmentally friendly boats as a primary means in the Philippine maritime transport.



**The Philippine Boatbuilding Industry Road Mapping Seminar cum
Workshop**

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