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18th PSSST Annual Meeting and Scientific Conference

SEARSOLIN Xavier University
Cagayan de Oro City

May 13-15, 2015

Theme:

*Soil and water
conservation for food
security and essential
ecosystem functions*

Co-sponsored by:



Rationale

The 18th PSSST Annual Meeting and Scientific Conference is being organized to showcase soil science as an important discipline in the field of agriculture. It will particularly highlight the importance of soil and water conservation for food security and sustaining essential functions of ecosystem. This important event will give the participants from the academe, government, and private sectors an opportunity to interact and share experiences and research outputs in the field of soil science and its related disciplines. This will also enable them to upgrade their technical expertise, renew personal acquaintances, and meet new friends of the same scientific interests.

Guidelines for Abstract and Paper Submission

Extended Abstract

Volunteer speakers (oral and poster) should submit an extended abstract, maximum of 2 pages including references, tables and illustrations not later than March 30, 2015. The extended abstract will be published in the Conference proceedings. See format of extended abstract in the attached page.

Full Paper

- Full paper for competition should be submitted not later than April 15, 2015.
- The manuscript should be limited to 10 pages and divided into sections: Abstract, Keywords, Introduction, Methodology, Results and Discussion, Conclusions, and References.
- The manuscript should be typed in single space, Times New Roman 11 pt font with 3 cm margins.
- Full paper should be written in Standard English.
- The name of author(s) and address of the institution(s), followed by the contact address (E-mail, Phone and Fax Number) of the first author or correspondence author should be indicated.

Submission

Extended abstract and full paper should be submitted by email to the PSSST Secretariat at pssst_pro06@yahoo.com.

Poster Presentation

Poster presenters should bring their printed posters to the conference. The size of the poster should be 118.5 cm x 84 cm, portrait orientation. Each letter should be readable from 1 m distance.

Important Dates to Remember

- **March 30, 2015** - Deadline for submission of extended abstract for oral and poster presentation as well as nominations for the Achievement Award
- **April 5, 2015** - Decision on oral and poster presentation
- **April 15, 2015** - Deadline for submission of full paper
- **April 30, 2015** - Deadline for confirmation of attendance

ABOUT THE VENUE



Xavier university in Cagayan de Oro City was founded in 1933 as a high school for the boys. Twenty years after, the College of Agriculture was started by Father William Masterson. In 1958, Ateneo de Cagayan was granted a university status and became the first university in Mindanao. In honor of St. Francis Xavier, Ateneo de Cagayan became Xavier university.

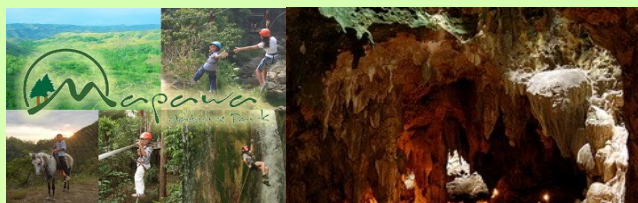
The university is now the leading institution in Northern Mindanao offering courses that respond to the demands of the rapidly growing and developing region in the Philippines. More information about Xavier University can be found at <http://www.xu.edu.ph>.



Cagayan de Oro (CDO) is the capital city of Misamis Oriental, a province in Region X.

Due to very aggressive tourism campaign of the local government, CDO has become one of the tourist destinations

in Northern Mindanao. It is famous for its whitewater rafting adventure which every tourist would love to try. Though highly urbanized, nature-loving people can still enjoy staying at CDO. Aside from Mapawa nature park, tourists can definitely enjoy Monique cave and Catanico Falls.



TENTATIVE PROGRAM

May 12, 2015 - *Arrival of Participants*

May 13, 2015 - *Registration*
Opening Ceremonies
Opening of Poster Exhibits
Plenary Sessions
Technical Sessions
Fellowship

May 14, 2015 - *Technical Sessions*
Business Meeting

May 15, 2015 - *Technical Sessions*
Open Discussion
Awarding Ceremonies
Closing
Tour

May 16, 2015 - *Departure*

FEES AND DUES

Registration Fee* Php 4,000

** inclusive of conference kit, meals and snacks during the conference. Accommodation during the conference for 2 nights and tour fee is exclusive of the registration fee.*

Annual dues _____ **Php 200**
(for regular members)

Regular membership fee _____ **Php 100**
(for new members)

Life membership fee _____ **Php 2,000**
(optional)

CONFIRMATION SLIP

Name: _____

Company/Institution: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone No.: _____

Facsimile No.: _____

Mobile No.: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Response (Please check):

_____ I will attend the 18th annual meeting and scientific conference.

_____ I will not attend but I will pay my annual dues.

_____ I will attend with accompanying person (Indicate the number of accompanying person).

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CONFERENCE VENUE



1. The venue of the conference



2. AVR—Lecture Hall for the plenary paper presentations



3. Exhibit area for sponsors

ACCOMMODATION AT SEARSOLIN



DORM TYPE WITH COMMON CR

1. Air-conditioned room

Rate: PhP 300 per head

2. Non air-conditioned room

Rate: PhP 200 per head



INDIVIDUAL ROOMS

1. Air-conditioned room

Two in a room

Rate: PhP 750 per room

2. Non air-conditioned room

Two in a room

Rate: PhP 500 per room



TOUR OPTIONS AND PACKAGES



Mediterranean
Cruises and Travels

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<p>CdeO Culinary Tours (with City Tours) Php2,850.00/pax/6 4,275.00/pax/4</p> <p>TOUR INCLUSIONS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LUNCH : Sinuglaw is a dish composed of grilled pork belly and fish ceviche. This can be considered as a main dish or an appetizer. Famous in CdeO • Ostrich ala pobre is lightly cooked in butter and covered with a creamy apple brandy sauce best in CdeO • CdeO's Best Delicacies and Pasalubong Shopping ✓ Crunchy SLERS CHICHARON ✓ Vjandep Pastel of different Flavors ✓ SIKWATE sa Cogon (A NATIVE hot CHOCO TABLET found at Cogon Market) ✓ Siomai sa Divisoria • Services of DOT Accredited Tour Guide • AC Van • City Tours: Gaston Park, Metropolitan Cathedral, McArthur Shrine, Plaza Divisoria <p>NOTE: PICK UP TIME 08:00 AM</p>	<p>CAMIGUIN ISLAND 2Days, 1Night Villa Paraiso Apartelle</p> <p>It's more fun in Camiguin Php 3,860.00/pax/8 5,150.00/pax/6 7,720.00/pax/4</p> <p>Van Transfer (round trip) •Cagayan de Oro – Balingoan, Misamis Oriental – Camiguin Island (vv) Ferry Transfer (round trip)</p> <p>Inclusions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •1 Night Resort Accommodation •Daily Breakfast •Katibawasan Falls •Ardent Hot Spring •White Island •Hibok – Hibok •Phivolcs •Parola •Sunken Cemetery Entrances •Tour Guide in Camiguin Island <p>NOTE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Day 1: Pick up Time: 4:00Am CdeO- Camiguin Island • Day 2: Trans-Out to Pier 09:00 am Camiguin-CdeO Travel Time: CdeO-] Camiguin Island: 3Hours • Lunch & Dinner are own pax account 	<p>CAMIGUIN ISLAND DAY TOURS</p> <p>It's more fun in Camiguin Php3,350.00/pax/6 5,100.00/pax/4</p> <p>Van Transfers (round trip) • Cagayan de Oro – Balingoan, Misamis Oriental – Camiguin Island (vv) Ferry Transfer (round trip)</p> <p>Inclusions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Katibawasan Falls • Ardent Hot Spring • White Island • Soda Water • Parola • Sunken Cemetery • Sto. Nino Ruins • Provincial Lunch Buffet • Entrances <p>Pick up Time in CdeO: 4:00Am for Camiguin</p> <p>Arrival time from Camiguin: 7:00Pm</p>	<p>Duka Bay Day Tours Php 1,950.00/pax/6 2,950.00/pax/4</p> <p>Inclusions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Round Trip • Alibuag Cold Spring • The White House: Pelaez Ancestral House Tour – The home of Former Phil. Vice President Emmanuel Pelaez • Travel Insurance • Services of Tour Coordinator <p>Optional:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scuba Diving • Fish Feeding • Banana Boat Ride • Glass Bottom Boat Kayaking <p>NOTE:PICK UP TIME IN CdeO 08:00 AM</p> <p>DAHILAYAN ADVENTURE PARK WITH DEL MONTE PLANTATION ROLLING TOUR Php2, 500.00/pax/6 3,750.00/pax/4</p> <p>Tour Inclusions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AC Van • DOT Accredited Tour Guide • Entrance Fee to Dahilayan Adventure Park • Rides: 840m Asia's Longest Zip line, MID ZIP 340m PLUS 150m <p>Pick up time: 6 AM</p>	<p>IUGAN CITY and DIVINE MERCY SHRINE DAY TOURS PHp2,700.00/pax/6 4,150.00/pax/4</p> <p>INCLUSIONS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ROUND TRIP VAN TRANSFERS CdeO-IUGAN-CdeO • DRIVER GUIDE • ANAHAW AMPHI- THEATER • MUSLIM'S BATIK STORES • CHEDING'SPEANUT & SUKANG PINAKURAT • MARIA CRISTINA FALLS • TIMOGA WATER FALLS • GLORIA MACAPAGAL'S ANCESTRAL HOUSE • DIVINE MERCY SHRINE – EL SALVADOR CITY, MISAMIS ORIENTAL <p>NOTE:PICK UP TIME IN CdeO 6:00 AM</p>	<p>DAHILAYAN ADVENTURE PARK WATER RAFTING Combo Package Php2,250.00/pax/6 3,380.00/pax/4</p> <p>INCLUSIONS: DAHILAYAN • Zip Line All Zip line/ Shortest to Longest</p> <p>1:00PM – Rafting INCLUSIONS: RAFTING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety Gears • River Guide • Tour Escort <p>NOTE: PICK UP TIME IN CdeO: 6:00AM</p> <p>WATER RAFTING PHp700.00/Basic 1,000.00/Advance 1,200.00/Extreme</p> <p>Inclusions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R.T. Jeepney Transfers • Rafting Gears • River Guide <p>Note: Pick Up Time 7am 3 hours running for basic rafting</p>	<p>CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY TOURS Php 800.00/pax/8 1,100.00/pax/6 1,600.00/pax/4 3,250.00/pax/2</p> <p>Tour Inclusions/Itinerary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Metropolitan Cathedral • The Gaston Park • Plaza Divisoria (Rolling Tours) • Limketkai Mall (First Mall in Mindanao) • Mc Arthur Shrine • Museum of Three Cultures (Capitol University) <p>Other Inclusion/s: •Driver Guide •Van Transfer</p> <p>Note: Tour Starts at 08:00am – 12:00nn</p> <p>CdeO Historical and Cultural Tours Php1,999.00/pax/6 2,999.00/pax/4</p> <p>Tour Inclusions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RT pick up/Drop off AC Van • Driver Guide • Entrance Fees • Tour Highlight: Saint Agustine Metropolitan Cathedral City Museum • Water Tank Tower • Mac Arthur Shrine • Museum of Three Cultures • Gardens of Malasag Eco Tourism Village 	<p>Divine Mercy Shrine Pilgrim's Tours Elsalvador City, Misamis Oriental Php 1,320.00/pax/6 1,980.00/pax/4 3,960.00/pax/2</p> <p>Inclusions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Round Trip Travel • Services of DOT Accredited Tour Guide • Pasalubong Shopping • With bottled Water <p>Afternoon: Pick up time: 2:00pm Drop of time: 6:00pm NOTE: Tour Duration: 4 Hours</p> <p>DISCOVER CLARIN Suman Capital of Misamis Occidental Php 3,990.00/pax/6 5,999.00/pax/4</p> <p>INCLUSIONS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 night Resort Accom. • @ Cocos Resort • Breakfast • Van from Ozamiz Airport to Clarin, Mis. Occidental v.v. • Ozamiz City Tour • Tour Escort • Travel Insurance <p>VISITS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cotta Shrine • Naomis Botanical Garden • Pasalubong and Delicacies @ Clarin, Misamis Occidental
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