

DOST-ITDI and PFST Forge Partnership to Promote Science and Technology



Manila, Philippines, July 3, 2024 – In a landmark collaboration, the Department of Science and Technology-Industrial Technology Development Institute (DOST-ITDI) and the Philippine Foundation of Science and Technology (PFST) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) today. The agreement aims to foster the promotion of science and technology across various sectors, facilitate the transfer of DOST-ITDI-developed technologies to micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs) and other stakeholders, and develop mutually beneficial programs and projects.

The MOU was signed by Dr. Annabelle V. Briones, Director of DOST-ITDI; Dr. Janet F. Quizon, OIC-Deputy Director of

Administrative and Technical Services; and Engr. Apollo Victor O. Bawagan, OIC-Deputy Director for Research and Development. Representing PFST were Prof. Fortunato T. Dela Peña, Chairman of the Board; Engr. Rodolfo S. Salazar, President; and Engr. Nicanor S. Villaseñor III, Vice President for External Affairs.

The signing ceremony was also witnessed by the Board of Trustees of PFST, including Ms. Maret Follosco-Bautista, Mr. Bong Belen, and Ms. May Pagsinohin, Executive Director.

Following the MOU signing, PFST delegates toured the five research and development divisions of DOST-ITDI. The visit provided an opportunity to gain insights into technologies being developed, which are poised to make substantial contributions to various industries and sectors in the Philippines.

The collaboration between DOST-ITDI and PFST is expected to pave the way for numerous initiatives that will enhance the country's scientific and technological landscape, driving economic growth and improving the quality of life for many Filipinos.

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