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For information: 	
CECILIA E. VALDERAMA, PhD, CESO VI Schools Division Superintendent	

September 24, 2026

DR. CECILIA E. VALDERAMA, CESO VI
Schools Division Superintendent
Schools Division of Bulacan
Malolos City, Bulacan

Dear Dr. Valderama,

Warm greetings from the Graduate School of Bulacan State University!

The Graduate Education Association of Public Higher Education Institutions (GEAPHEI), through the Bulacan State University Graduate School, will conduct ASEAN LINKAGES 2026: Linking International Networks and Knowledge Avenues for Graduate Education Synergies, in conjunction with the GEAPHEI 3rd General Assembly, on September 30, 2026, at the Amphitheater, 7th Floor E-Library, Bulacan State University.

In this regard, we respectfully request your good office to endorse and allow at least twenty (20) school principals from the Schools Division of Bulacan to participate in this onsite activity.

The seminar aims to promote internationalization of education through global learning, curriculum internationalization, international research collaboration, academic networking, mobility opportunities, and institutional partnerships. It will also provide educational leaders with opportunities to learn from relevant practices and explore avenues for international engagement.

We believe that the participation of school principals will contribute to the meaningful exchange of knowledge and practices and strengthen collaboration between the basic and higher education sectors.

We sincerely hope for your favorable consideration and support in encouraging the participation of the school principals from your Division.

Thank you very much for your continued support of initiatives that promote professional learning, collaboration, and educational internationalization.

Respectfully yours,



DR. EUGENE B. MUTUC
President, GEAPHEI



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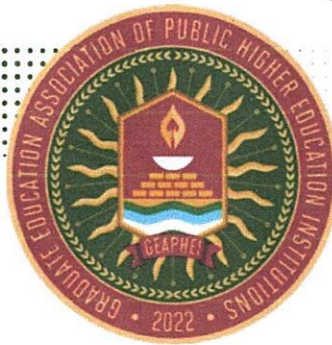
ASEAN LINKAGES 2026

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 September 30, 2026

 Amphitheater, 7th Floor, E-Library
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*Let's build
stronger networks
together!*



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I. Background and Rationale

In support of the Commission on Higher Education's (CHED) internationalization agenda and the Philippines' ASEAN 2026 Chairship, CHED Regional Office III (CHEDRO III), in partnership with the Central Luzon Association of International Relations Officers (CLAIRO) and the Graduate Education Association of Public Higher Education Institutions (GEAPHEI), proposes the conduct of **ASEAN LINKAGES 2026: Linking International Networks and Knowledge Avenues for Graduate Education Synergies**, in conjunction with the **GEAPHEI 3rd General Assembly**.

As higher education institutions continue to respond to the demands of globalization, graduate education plays a critical role in advancing research excellence, innovation, international collaboration, and human capital development. Internationalization of graduate education has become increasingly important in enhancing the quality, relevance, and global competitiveness of graduate programs through international partnerships, faculty and student mobility, collaborative research, transnational higher education initiatives, and participation in international academic networks.

Recognizing the diverse internationalization initiatives already being implemented by Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) across Central Luzon, ASEAN LINKAGES 2026 aims to provide a platform for institutions to share experiences, showcase successful practices, and exchange information on available opportunities for international engagement. Through collaborative learning and peer sharing, participating institutions can gain practical insights and identify pathways for expanding the internationalization of their graduate programs.

II Objectives

The activity aims to:

1. Strengthen the internationalization of graduate education among Higher Education Institutions in Central Luzon;
2. Internationalize curriculum design and content through global learning outcomes, departmentalized infusion method, and contextualization;
3. Increase awareness of international opportunities available for graduate students, faculty members, researchers, and administrators;
4. Showcase successful institutional practices, partnerships, and initiatives that support graduate education internationalization;
5. Promote collaboration and knowledge exchange among Graduate Schools, International Relations Offices, and relevant stakeholders;
6. Encourage participation in international research, mobility, transnational education, and academic networking opportunities; and
7. Support the internationalization goals of CHED under the ACHIEVE Framework and the Philippines' ASEAN 2026 Chairship.





Programme

Time	Activity	Description/Lead
8:00 - 8:30	Registration	REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS
8:30 - 8:40	Doxology	BULSU SARING HIMIG
8:40 - 9:00	National Anthem ASEAN Hymn CHED Hymn	BULSU SARING HIMIG
9:00-9:15	Welcome Remarks	DR. MILDRED M. CRISOSTOMO PRESIDENT, CENTRAL LUZON ASSOCIATION OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OFFICERS (CLAIRO) DR. EUGENE B. MUTUC PRESIDENT, GRADUATE EDUCATION ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS (GEAPHEI)
9:15 - 9:30	Oath Taking	DR. TEODY C. SAN ANDRES GEAPHEI FOUNDING PRESIDENT PRESIDENT, BULACAN STATE UNIVERSITY
9:30 - 10:00	Cultural Performance	BULSU LAHING KAYUMANGGI
10:00 - 10:05	Inspirational Message	DR. MAURA CONSOLACION D. CRISTOBAL DIRECTOR, COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION (CHED)
10:05 - 10:10	Message from the President	DR. TEODY C. SAN ANDRES GEAPHEI FOUNDING PRESIDENT PRESIDENT, BULACAN STATE UNIVERSITY
10:10 - 11:00	Session 1	Language and Culture Program as a Bridge to Graduate School Internationalization ENGELBERT CALIMLIM PASAG, PhD VICE PRESIDENT FOR INTERNATIONALIZATION PANPACIFIC UNIVERSITY URDANETA CITY, PANGASINAN
11:00- 12:00	Session 2	Internationalizing the Curriculum Design and Content DR. LORA L. YUSI DIRECTOR IV INSTITUTIONAL QUALITY AND GOVERNANCE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch Break	FUNCTION HALL, 7TH FLOOR
1:00- 1:15	Cultural Performance	BULSU LAHING KAYUMANGGI
1:15-2:15	Session 3	Advancing Graduate Research through International Collaboration and Networks ANNA FLORESCA F. FIRMALINO, MSc, FHEA ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF ECONOMICS AND DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL LINKAGES UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES LOS BAÑOS
2:15- 3:15	Panel Discussion	Graduate Global Connect: Sharing Pathways to Internationalizing Graduate Education DR. EUGENE B. MUTUC DEAN, GRADUATE SCHOOL BULACAN STATE UNIVERSITY DR. DOLLY QUIAMBAO DEAN, GRADUATE SCHOOL PAMPANGA STATE UNIVERSITY DR. ALONA T. BADUA DEAN, GRADUATE SCHOOL CENTRAL LUZON STATE UNIVERSITY DR. NOEL FRANCO DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONALIZATION OFFICE BULACAN STATE UNIVERSITY DR. MILDRED CRISOSTOMO PRESIDENT, CENTRAL LUZON ASSOCIATION OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS OFFICERS (CLAIRO) DR. PARSONS N. HAIL DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS OFFICE CENTRAL LUZON STATE UNIVERSITY
3:15-4:00	Synthesis and Open Forum	Key takeaways and discussion of future directions for graduate education internationalization
4:00- 4:30	Ways Forward	DR. JASMIN VILLANUEVA VICE PRESIDENT, GRADUATE EDUCATION ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS (GEAPHEI)

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