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## ANNOUNCEMENT

**FOR :** HEADS OF CONSTITUTIONAL BODIES, DEPARTMENTS, BUREAUS AND AGENCIES OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT, LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS, GOVERNMENT-OWNED OR CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS WITH ORIGINAL CHARTERS, AND STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

**SUBJECT :** 2017 National Congress of the Philippine Librarians Association, Inc.

The Philippine Librarians Association, Inc. (PLAI) in partnership with the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA) through the National Committee on Libraries and Information Services (NCLIS) and the National Library of the Philippines (NLP), will hold its annual National Congress on **November 21-24, 2017** at the **SMX Convention Center, SM City Bacolod, Bacolod City, Negros Occidental.**

With the theme **“Libraries Take Action: Providing Access and Opportunity for All”**, it aims to equip Filipino Librarians and information professionals with different strategies needed to transform libraries and information centers as agents of development by implementing formal, informal and lifelong learning programs.

Parallel sessions shall be conducted to discuss topics relevant to specific types of libraries. A General Assembly will also be held to present updates and provide a venue for discussion of concerns relating to the Association and the profession in general.

All concerned government employees may participate in this event. It is discretionary on the part of the agency heads to allow their employees to attend on official/business time, as provided for under CSC Memorandum Circular No. 43, s. 1993.

Registration fees are as follows (live-out only):

<b>Participants</b>	<b>Early-Bird Rate</b> ( before September 30, 2017)	<b>Standard Rate</b> (from Oct. 1 - Nov. 15, 2017)	<b>Regular Rate</b> ( after November 16, 2017 )
PLAI Member	Php5,000.00	Php5,500.00	Php6,000.00
Non-PLAI Member	Php6,000.00	Php6,500.00	Php7,000.00
<i>Inclusive of meals (3 lunches, 6 snacks, 1 fellowship dinner) Congress kit and certificate</i>			
Undergraduate Student	Php2,000.00	Php2,500.00	Php3,000.00
<i>Inclusive of meals (6 snacks only), Congress kit and certificate</i>			

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Due to limited seats, online registration is required at <http://registration.plai.org.ph>. This year, only paid participants can register online and avail the discounted rates. Payment may be deposited to BDO under Account Number 451 000 1102 under the Account name: Philippine Librarians Association, Inc.

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