

SDGS ART FESTIVAL/FORUM FOR PEACE AND CLIMATE JUSTICE: ROADMAP FROM ASIA-PACIFIC TO AFRICAN, ARAB, CARIBBEAN AND LATIN AMERICAN REGIONS

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Dear Colleagues in the ITI:

Greetings on World Theatre and Women's Month!

We are pleased to bring your attention to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Art Festival/Forum for Peace and Climate Justice: Roadmap from Asia-Pacific to African, Arab, Caribbean and Latin American Regions. The International Theatre Institute is a major partner through its CIDC Social Change Network, in this significant event that will model a comprehensive, effective and multidisciplinary communications module for the actualization of the SDGs through performing, visual and media arts, to protect the planet and people as well as promote peace and prosperity through partnership. We have communicated with ITI President and the Director-General.

Attached is the Project Brief designed to celebrate UN 's Diamond Jubilee & the Golden Anniversary of Earth Day.

The SDGs Senate Committee chaired by Senator Pia Cayetano, aligned with other related committees such as Environment, Peace and Order, Education and Culture and Foreign Relations is jointly hosting an interfaith, intercultural forum of high-level participants: UNESCO Artists for Peace, distinguished arts, media and Environmental leaders. This will be complemented by a Performing Arts Festival and Workshops that can manifest the SDGs from regional perspectives of our country, to best practices around the world, while integrating values that can be transformational to mitigate armed conflict and climate catastrophes at the local levels - the twin global challenge of survival.

The program will be observed in the **City of Manila**, in conjunction with **UNESCO's International Arts Education Week** from **May 20th to the 26th** with ingress on the 19th dedicated to **Cultural and Biological Diversity and Development** during Heritage Month in our country. Our collaborating organizations besides ITI include: Asia Pacific Performing Arts Network, South-South Cooperation Council, Climate Institute coordinated through Earthsavers, twice honoured as UNESCO Artist for Peace and selected the 6th in the world as a UNESCO DREAM Center with the Art's Planet of Energies 2050 and Asian Parliamentarians for Peace.

Accordingly, we urgently need your dynamic intercession as an ITI Centre and/ or associate organization with your Ministry of Culture and Education, in supporting your attendance with a relevant performing artist, or group not exceeding 8, that reflects on the theme. We shall provide hospitality for them. (hotel, food a& internal transport) We trust your government will ensure your centre's attendance. <u>Please provide us the email & telephone of your relevant ministries</u> so we can appeal for support with the endorsement of your local UNESCO Commission. We look forward to your valuable contribution to this event. Thank you for your prompt and kind action.

With appreciation and esteem as we look forward to your positive reply,

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