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TITLE OF ACTIVITY: SDG High-Level Roundtable Discussion on Artificial Intelligence in Governance and Diplomacy
DATE & TIME: 14 March 2025
LOCATION: Hotel Benilde
SHORT DESCRIPTION:

On 14 March 2025, SDG invited experts and practitioners in the field of International Relations, Diplomacy, Development, Public Administration, and Governance to discuss the opportunities and risks associated with the rise of AI nationally, regionally, and globally. A free-flowing exchange of ideas was carried out within the context of the future of policy making, policy guidance, decision-making, foreign relations, and training the next generation of diplomats.

LEAD DISCUSSANT: Dr. Emmanuel C. Lallana (Chief Executive, Ideacorp)
REACTORS:

- Mr. Lloyd Alexander Adducul (Chief Research Officer, AI Diplomacy Studies Section, DFA-FSI)
- Mr. Frederic Grillet (First Secretary, EU Delegation to the Philippines; on behalf of H.E. Massimo Santoro)
- Minister Michael Ting-Sheng Lee (Deputy Representative, TECO)
- Mr. Felipe Chiou-Ren Ding (Executive Assistant to the Representative, TECO)
- Dr. Robin Garcia (President and CEO, WR Advisory Group)
- Mr. Julio Amador (Executive Director, Fullbright Philippines)
- Dr. Ador Torneo (Dean, CLA DLSU-M)

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TITLE OF ACTIVITY: National Security Council Brainstorming
DATE & TIME: 22 August 2025
LOCATION: Hotel Benilde
SHORT DESCRIPTION:

The Benilde School of Diplomacy and Governance hosted one of the iterations of the National Security Council Brainstorming Series on 22 August 2024 at Hotel Benilde - Maison de La Salle.

Entitled "Demystifying the Dragon: China's views on the SCS and its implications for the Philippines" the series brought together lecturers and experts from different colleges, universities, and national government, who tackled topics geared towards shedding light on China's behavior and how the tensions we face with the country presently can affect the Philippines on a national level, have implications on the regional level, and inform changes to geopolitical dynamics on the international level.

The SDG Team, headed by Dean Gary Ador Dionisio, wishes to thank its friends and partners from the National Security Council, the De La Salle University - Manila, and the Mindanao State University for helping out in making this hosting a success!



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