



Persons with Disability Entre-employment Expo

About

Based on the 2010 Census, there are 1,443,000 persons with disability (PWDs), comprising 1.57% of the total population of the Philippines. This is a conservative number considering that the World Health Organization (WHO) estimates that 15% of the world population have some form of disability with around 80% of employable age. PWDs, however, face enormous attitudinal, physical, and informational barriers especially in realizing their economic rights. The International Labor Organization (ILO) reports that they are frequently denied of their right to decent and fair work, and thus, experience higher unemployment rate compared to non-disabled persons.

In the country, persons with disabilities (PWDs) and disabled people's organizations have continually asserted themselves to be recognized as productive members of society making slow, meager, but significant steps in being employed or starting a business. However, even with laws that are supportive of persons with disability employment, much still has to be done.

The Expo

De La Salle-College of Saint Benilde (DLS-CSB), through the School of Deaf Education and Applied Studies (SDEAS) and the Saint Brother Jaime Hilario Training Institute (SBJHI), with De La Salle University and funded by the US Embassy, will conduct a 2-day economic opportunity fair for persons with disabilities (PWD) to promote employability and generate business opportunities for the sector. Dubbed as PWD Entre-employment Expo: Bringing together the community to empower PWDs, this event will be on June 28-29, 2018 at the Henry Sy Hall, DLSU, Taft Avenue, Manila

Expo Features

The PWD Entre-employment Expo will be characterized by

- *booth-exhibits featuring government services, training institutions, employers, and disability organizations;
- *seminars and workshops on employment, business skills and PWD-employers fora;
- *photo exhibit;
- *plenary program;
- *consultation sessions on business and employability
- *networking opportunities

Venue

The Exhibition of the Expo will take place at the [Henry Sy Sr. Hall, De La Salle University, Taft Avenue, Manila](#) while the plenary session and main seminar session will happen at the 5th Floor of the Henry Sy Sr. Hall, De La Salle University, Taft Avenue, Manila.

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