

PSD ENFOLDS INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH CONFERENCE

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With its aim to spearhead proactive research, vibrant instruction and viable stewardship of school realizations through quality assertion and publication, Philippine School Doha (PSD) through Research Development, Accreditation and Publication Office (RDAPO) spearhead an International Research Conference last Nov. 1-3. The said convention was supervised by the Asian Society of Teachers for Research, Inc. (ASTR) who is committed to exchanging and promoting best practices in research and recognize teachers who excelled in research instruction. This was a joint effort of Dr. Alexander S. Acosta who serves as the conference chair, through the initiative of Dr. Lorina S. Villanueva, PSD's Vice Principal for Research and Publication and with Dr. Eduardo P. Malagapo of the EPM as the co-hosts. Students of different levels, educators, and other professionals participated in a two-part seminar workshop on research embracing the theme "The Role of Development Education in the Transformation of Individuals, Communities and Societies,".

ICDE 2018 aimed to provide a forum for research findings from the international community to create avenues for publication of new researches, establish partnership and collaborations across researchers in a global context, and conduct training activities for higher research expertise. The two-part conference commenced with a research training and seminar for students. Dr. Genaro Japos, President of the Philippine Association of Institutions for Research, Inc., served as the keynote speaker. He tackled about Article Citation as Means to Measure Journal and Author Impact and gave a training on Scientific Literacy. Hence, this worked as the bases of the participants to form their own understanding rather than emulate what they have heard from another individual. This comprehensive seminar-training was conceptualized to cascade learning. The said seminar was a great help to the participants in order for them to devise their own research and make their peculiar review anchored on the given agenda. This is also substantial in the derivation of the pieces of evidence of learning research paper writing as it would appraise their preparedness to face real-world scenarios in conducting their respective studies and problems.

Through this prominent convention, ASTR and PSD co-hosted by EPM recognized the research competence of research enthusiasts among the participants. For students, the study Sidra Leaves Medicated Soap, authored by Rogsh Garcia, Lian Manongsong, Paolo Dipasupil, Elian Bernales and Jervie De Vera and Acculturation: Adaptability Experiences of Foreign Students in PSD headed by Dana Ysabelle P. Marfil , Karize Thea Cruz, Vince Matthew N. Febre , Mohammad J. Sailani Nezafat and Angela Bernice N. Yadao were awarded as Best Presenters for experimental research and Qualitative Research respectively.

For professionals, Dr. Nida H. Garcia, Vice Principal of Preschool Department was awarded as and Best in Abstract and Best in Oral Presentation for first set with her study "From Leadership Attribution to Leadership Contribution: Proversified Leadership Skills

of Philippine Schools Overseas (PSO's) Administrators". Moreover, Dr. Fredelito Don John A. Vallesteros, RDAPO assistant researcher and SHS faculty was awarded also as Best in Oral Presentation with his study "Way Back Home: Defying the Work Challenges and Reintegration Preparations of Overseas Filipino Workers in Qatar. The other winners of the said conference are as follows: Dr. Frederick T. Go, Best Abstract (Quantitative), with his study "Operations Strategy to Achieve Sustainability in the light of Oil Oversupply and Price Deflation"; Dr. Nico Canoy Paltingca, Best Paper in Quantitative Research; Dr. Annabee M. Claur, Best Oral Presenter of set 2; and Mrs. Cristina Jumamil Rico, Best Presenter in Group 3.

Dr. Noemi F. Formaran, SHS Vice Principal and Mr. Michaelino Saratan, VP Records of Philippine School also shared their researches with their studies "From Mediocrity to Quality: Perceived Approaches on Total Quality Management of PSOs in the Middle East" and "When True Service Counts: Customer Experiences of the Services Rendered in PSOs Records Section" respectively. The transformation was evident in each participant and the collaboration of ideas was translated into actions.

The conference, in particular, empowered students, teachers and other professionals alike to endeavor into research to help sustain the needs of the community they serve. Thus, this aspires to produce researches capable of improving the standards and quality of instruction in the school in order to guide, correct, and evaluate their decisions and actions through their respective researches. Through this event, the entire PSD family unleashed their full potential not only unto the school grounds- but also to a world that needs researchers like them, to a world that needs the service and excellence that they are ready to provide.





