



JOINT FOREIGN CHAMBERS

Advocacy:

The JFC is currently working on the publication of Roadmap 2010 that will be a summary and review of our in depth focus group discussions held in a number of key sectors. The focus sectors are: 1) Agri Business, 2) Business Process Outsourcing, 3) Creative Industries, 4.) Infrastructure, 5) Manufacturing and Logistics, 6) Mining and 7) Tourism (including Medical Travel) and Retirement. This Roadmap is a working document and the Joint Chambers are scheduling meetings with the respective Secretaries representing these sectors to present the pertinent sections for discussion.

August 2 JFC representatives had a meeting with DOLE Secretary Rosalinda Baldoz to discuss objectives of the new DOLE leadership and present sections of the Roadmap relevant to DOLE. Such as: flexible work arrangements, minimum wage policy and holiday economics.

August 3 Sent a letter to DENR Secretary Ramon Paje expressing our concerns over the Writ of Kalikasan, Open Pit Mining Ban and possible repeal of the Mining Act of 1995. The JFC would like a clear message from the DENR for the foreign investment community in regards that the current



JFC representatives with DPWH Secretary Rogelio Singson (seated, middle) during the August 27, 2010 meeting at the DPWH office.

Government supports Responsible Mining on accordance with the current Mining Act.

August 18 JFC and industry representatives met with Secretary Ivan UY of CICT to present the BPO section of the Roadmap and discuss key issues that are important to the future continued growth of this sector.

August 27 JFC representatives met with DPWH Secretary Rogelio Singson to present the Roadmap. Topic of discussion focused on

the Secretaries transformation framework for DPWH for full transparency & accountability to the people & to reduce corruption.

August 31 Met with Secretary Purisima of DOF and Secretary Domingo of DTI to present our Roadmap and recommendations. In conclusion the JFC will be meeting on a regular bi-monthly basis to continue to discuss and work through issues of concern to our respective chamber interests.

CANCHAM EVENTS

August 10 Morning Briefing. 'The Financial Roller Coaster-Are we on the way up, or approaching a Double Dip?' presented by CanCham member Roger Purdue

August 12 Joint Chambers Luncheon with DOT Secretary Albert Lim,

'The Vision of the Aquino Administration on Tourism'.

Photo shows CanCham President Julian Payne (right) welcomes DOT Secretary Alberto Lim (left)



August 17 Afternoon Briefing, 'What Does Customer Service Experience Mean to You?' Presented by Siva Subramaniam, Country Manager, Transcom Worldwide (Philippines)

August 18 Monthly Networking Night at Howzat Sports Bar & Restaurant

OTHER EVENTS

- October 12-15 IMWell Summit. International Summit on Medical Travel, Wellness & Retirement. 'Global Healthcare: Vision 2020' For registration details: www.imwellsummit.com
- October 25-27 International Outsourcing Summit, 'Global Market Leaders Addressing Global Issues' organized by BPAP. For registration details: www.internationaloutsourcingsummit.com

CANADA LINKS

We welcome members' inputs and suggestions to continue to improve on this publication. Currently the Chamber has a section dedicated to the following topics: IT, Legal Issues, Immigration, Health, Business, Corporate Social Responsibility and Travel. We would also welcome interesting stories and experiences of our members. As a member organization this provides an outstanding opportunity to be involved and promote your business interests. Please contact the secretariat for more information and deadline dates for submission.

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 14 Executive Briefing Series Part 1, 'Sales: Techniques to Achieving and Surpassing your Targets' Venue: Sampaguita Room New World Hotel, Makati City Time: 8:30am-11am Fee: P1000 Member P1500 Non Member

September 17 Special Luncheon event with the Hon. Jason Kenney, Canada's Minister for Citizenship, Immigration and Multiculturalism, Venue: Makati Shangrila, Quezon Room Time: 12:00 nn Fee: P1200 Members P1400 Non Member

September 23 Morning Briefing, 'Visa Options for Foreigners to Legally Work and Stay in the Philippines' Presented by Member firm Kittelson & Carpo Venue: CanCham Boardroom Time: 8:30am-10:00am Fee: P500 Members P700 Non-Members

October 12 Executive Briefing Series Part 2, 'Customer Service: Keys to Understanding your Clients Needs to Provide Outstanding Customer Satisfaction' Venue: ampaguita Room New World Hotel, Makati City Time: 8:30am-11am Fee: P1000 Members P1500 Non Members

October 13 The 7th Annual JFC Networking Event in support of the '7 Big Winners' Highlight social and networking event of the year! Sponsor opportunities available Venue: New World Makati Hotel Fee: P1000

October 22-23 Foreign Chambers Employment Expo at Market Market. Sponsorship Packages Available. Contact Grace Ventosa at 843 6457

November 16 Executive Management Series Part 3, 'Work Life Alignment: Providing a Framework for Freedom, Fulfillment and Productivity' Venue: ampaguita Room New World Hotel, Makati City Time: 8:30am-11am Fee: P1000 Member P1500 Non Member

November 19 CanCham-AMJ Campbell International 23rd Annual Philippines-Canada Cup Golf Tournament. Venue: Riviera Golf Club

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