



JOINT FOREIGN CHAMBERS

The JFC continues to be very active in promoting the recently published, 'Arangkada Philippines 2010: A Business Perspective'. Representatives of the JFC's are meetings and presenting the publication to key representatives of the government for further discussion. During these meetings we are also discussing key issues relevant to each department. Meetings held recently:

- February 25 - DOJ Secretary Leila de Lima
- March 2 - Executive Secretary Pacquito Ochoa
- March 17 - Supreme Court Chief Justice Renato Corona
- March 17 - JFC Dinner with respective Ambassadors
- March 23 - DOST Secretary Mario Montejo
- March 23 - PRC Commissioner Atty. Teresita Manzala
- April 1 - CHED Chair Patricia Licuanan

Scheduled meetings:

- April 18 - DAR Sec. Virgilio delos Reyes
- April 26 - BOC Commissioner Angelito Alvarez
- April 29 - Philippine Ports Authority General Manager Atty. Juan Sta. Ana

Soft copies of 'Arangkada Philippines 2010' can be downloaded at

[Click here](#)

Advocacy

March 11 - DOLE Breakfast meeting with JFC and the Employers Confederation of the Philippines on Employment Concerns Promotion of DOLE's web-based employment facilitation system to assist returning OWFs. Member organizations can register job vacancies our search database for eligible candidates at [click here](#)

March 11 - JFC letter sent to Finance Sec. Cesar Purisima highlighting concern for proposed increase of revenue mining royalties by 5%.

To view on the Letter to Sec. Purisima:

[Click here to download letter](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, April 28 - CanCham Annual General Membership Meeting and Networking

at the Makati Room A of the Makati Shangri-La with guest of honour, Ambassador of Canada, Hon. Christopher Thornley. We highly recommend that all members take part in this important event.

Tariff: Free (For Members in good standing) / Regular Representatives and Guests -P1,000

Wednesday, May 25 - Monthly Networking Night at La Cuisine

Registration: 5:45 pm

Friday, November 18 - 24th Annual CanCham-AMJ Campbell International Philippines-Canada Cup Golf Tournament.

Venue: TBC

CEBU CHAPTER

Tuesday, April 26 - CanCham Cebu 1st Annual Plenary Meeting

Venue: Marco Polo Tariff: P600 Members / Guest

CANADA LINKS

The Chamber is happy to inform our members that the soft copies of our Canada Links publication can now be downloaded from our website at:

[Click here](#)

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.

CANCHAM EVENTS

Wednesday, February 16 - Morning Briefing - 'Leading People through Change and Transition', presented by Bob Flecknell, Consultant Assessment Analytics.

Thursday, February 24 - Monthly Networking Night at Murphy's Makati, supported by Energy Manpower

Tuesday, March 1 - Joint Breakfast meeting with DOLE Secretary Baldoz, The event organized by the Canadian, European and Japanese Chamber. The event highlighted the tripartite working relationship between employers, labour and government.

Wednesday, March 9 - Business Briefing 'Partnering with Gawad Kalinga - Case Histories and Potential Benefits for CSR' with Roger Purdue of Global Investment Analytics.

Thursday, March 24 - Monthly Networking Night at Berjaya Hotel supported by ePLDT

Thursday, March 31 - 5th Annual International ICT Awards- Philippines 2011 - held at Dusit Thani Manila wherein it was filled to a capacity crowd of over 550 attendees. For more information: [click here](#)



CEBU CHAPTER

Monday, February 28 - Special Briefing on "Canada-Philippines Business Interest" with CanCham President, Julian Payne



Tuesday, March 29 - Canada Pork Event at Marco Polo. The Canadian Trade Commissioner Service and CanCham Cebu Chapter participated in organizing a promotion of Canada's pork products. It also highlighted BC fresh oysters that were served at the event.

For more information on Cebu Chamber, [click here](#)