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**ANNOUNCEMENT**

**FOR : HEADS OF CONSTITUTIONAL BODIES, DEPARTMENTS, NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES (NGAs), LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (LGUs), GOVERNMENT-OWNED OR CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS WITH ORIGINAL CHARTERS (GOCCs), AND STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES (SUCs)**

**SUBJECT : 2016 National Congress of the Philippine Librarians Association, Inc. (PLAI)**

The PLAI in partnership with the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA) through the National Committee on Libraries and Information Services (NCLIS) and the National Library of the Philippines (NLP), will hold its annual National Congress on November 22-25, 2016 at the SMX Convention Center, SM Lanang, Davao City.

With the theme ***“Library as a Place: Continual Learning in the New Information Landscape”***, it aims to equip Filipino librarians and information professionals with different strategies needed to transform libraries and information centers as venues for personal, intellectual, cultural, and social development. Paper and poster presentations will be delivered by invited guests, librarians, and information professionals in line with this year’s Congress theme.

Parallel sessions shall be conducted to discuss topics relevant to specific types of libraries. A General Assembly will also be held to present updates and provide a venue for discussion of concerns relating to the Association and the profession in general.

All concerned government personnel, particularly **librarians**, are encouraged to participate in this event. It is discretionary on the part of the agency heads to allow their employees to attend on official/business time, as provided for under CSC Memorandum Circular No. 43, s. 1993.

Registration fees are as follows (live-out only):

	Regular Rate ( after September 30, 2016)	Early-Bird Rate (Payment must be deposited on or before September 30, 2016)
Non-PLAI Member	Php6,500.00	Php6,000.00
PLAI Member	Php5,500.00	Php5,000.00
<i>Inclusive of meals (3 lunches, 1 fellowship dinner) Congress kit and certificate</i>		
Undergraduate Student	Php2,500.00	Php2,00.00
<i>Inclusive of meals (6 snacks only), Congress kit and certificate</i>		

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Due to limited seats, online pre-registration is required at [www.plai.org.ph/plaicongress2016/registration](http://www.plai.org.ph/plaicongress2016/registration). Payment may be deposited to BDO under Account Number 451 000 1102 under the Account name: Philippine Librarians Association, Inc.

For further details and information, you may coordinate with **Ms. Elvira B. Lapuz** at telephone number 9818500 local 2865 or through mobile number 0998-9922267. You may also coordinate with the **PLAI 2015 National Board of Trustees** through email at [nbot@plai.org.ph](mailto:nbot@plai.org.ph) and [plainbot2015@gmail.com](mailto:plainbot2015@gmail.com)

  
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