# The Academy of ICT Essentials for Government Leaders: The Philippine Roll-Out

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# **Conversation Map**

#### Context

- The Career Executive Service
- Contextualizing The Academy

# Outcomes & Impact

- Integrating The Academy
- Evaluating the Academy

#### **Next Steps**

 The Academy Partners' Strategic Directions



# **Context: The Philippine CES**

The Philippine Career Executive Service is a pool of well-selected senior executives who provide policy continuity and program stability.

The CES Board manages recruitment, capacity enhancement, performance improvement, morale and welfare promotion of CESOs.



### **Context: Integrating The Academy**

#### Aligned aspirations

ICT as a means to improve governance and achieve development goals

#### Synchronized strategy

Building ICT management capacities

#### **Congruent commitments**



### **Context: Integrating The Academy**

- roll out started in February 2009
- preparatory activities included:
  - Aligning the Academy Modules with the CES National ICT Competency Standards
  - Customizing the Academy to suit local training needs through FGDs, pilot training sessions
  - Obtaining political support through government approval to implement The Academy



- Integrating the Academy in CES Core Programs
  - 1) Recruitment: 20 questions on ICT in the CES written qualifying exam with Academy modules as basic reference.

2) <u>Performance management</u>: ICT-based innovation now a separate category in our annual Presidential recognition program for outstanding career executives.

Integrating the Academy in CES Core Programs

#### 3) Training and Career Development:

- ICT management now included as one of the core competencies in the new CES Competency Framework/Grid.
- The Academy has been ADOPTED as a compulsory course of the mandatory Executive Leadership Program



Integrating the Academy in CES Core Programs

#### 3) Training and Career Development:

- attendance in Academy training confers training credits required for promotion in rank of career officers
- Academy modules as topics in half-day CES
   C.I.R.C.L.E. forums/ learning sessions every month, nationwide



 272 senior government career executives have been trained in 6 training sessions from 2009-2010

 1,700++ career executives have attended bitesized learning sessions/forums on The Academy's Modules



# The Academy RP Album



30 senior trainers pose with Dr. Suk Rhee upon closing of <a href="1">1st Academy Roll</a>
<a href="1">Out Workshop</a> in Tagaytay City, Feb 17-19, 2009</a>



#### The 2nd Academy Roll-Out: Naga City

51 career executives were trained as part of the Executive Leadership **Program in July** 2009.





#### The 2nd Academy Roll-Out: Naga City

# Participants ENJOY hands-on sessions







#### **Academy Learning Session: General Santos City**



79 participants in attendance, 07 October 2009,



# 3rd Academy Roll-out: Bohol



39 senior executives completed the Academy in Bohol, Region 7, October 25-27, 2009,



# 2010 Academy Roll-out



4<sup>th</sup> Session in Naga City, April 22-30, 2010

### 2010 Academy Roll-out



5<sup>th</sup> Session in Naga City, August 12-20, 2010

# 2010 Academy Roll-out



# **Evaluating the Academy**

#### Content feedback:

- Strategic value of ICT as a management tool
- Use of ICT in improving service delivery
- Link of ICT/e-governance to development

#### Process/delivery feedback

- Need for longer time
- Increase hands-on activities; practical applications
- More country-specific case studies
- Workshop forum format rather than lecture



# "Applying" the Academy

computerization of information system to generate patient data>>> accounting and research information>>> optimize IT applications in my institute>>> follow through trainings>>> start an audit of agency's IT and business plans>>> attempt to design our office (regional level) enterprise architecture>>> draw our business process and HR department>>> use ICT in the hospital setting>>> updating of bidding system>>> computerize critical operation in accounting, billing and collection>> integrate appropriate technologies in the organizational functions>>> develop database to facilitate access to important, relevant information>>> recommend to others the Academy modules>>>help develop other ICT champions ©

# **Academy impact**

- Instilling heightened confidence among career executives to use ICT as a leadership and management tool.
- Immediately utilizing frameworks and concepts learned in various government agency operations, making a "great difference in terms of performance."
- Connecting ICT to improved governance -- "The impact of ICT in running agencies effectively, efficiently and proactively."



# **Academy impact**

- Awakening urgent sense to contribute to nation building – "Global concerns with ICT because it makes me realize how far we have lagged behind with other countries."
- Doing away with red tape by using ICT in service delivery to citizens – "my learning resulted in abbreviated procedures and made access to data faster and efficient".
- 2008 pilot class helping indigenous tribe in Northern Luzon in their community-based e-learning programs

# **Next steps**

- Updating of Customized Academy Modules, 1<sup>st</sup> Q, 2011
- Expanding and strengthening accreditation system for delivery of Academy modules, 2011
- Institutionalizing Laboratory Visits to Agency ICT Best Practices, 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> Q, 2011
- Documenting and compiling E-Governance Best Practices in the Philippines, 3<sup>rd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> Q, 2011
- Establishing the Philippine E-Gov Academy, 2011 to 2012



# **Academy Partners' Strategic Directions**

- Integrating the Academy in curriculum of tertiary learning institutions.
- Formulating/institutionalizing M & E framework, mechanisms and tools to measure the Academy's results.
- Sharing inputs to finalize new Academy modules (9 & 10) and conducting TOT (to include technical modules).



# **Academy Partners' Strategic Directions**

- Exploring the certification of Academy competencies to facilitate recognition of ICT skills acquired by participants in partner countries.
- Expanding access to and usage of AVA through information and awareness campaigns.



# End of presentation

The days come and go like muffled and veiled figures sent from a distant friendly party but they say nothing.

And if we do not use the gifts they bring, they carry them silently away.

- Ralph Waldo Emerson

