

Social Change Network (SCN)



REPORT OF THE PHILIPPINE ITI CENTER AS PRESIDENT OF THE ITI-SOCIAL CHANGE NETWORK AND VICE PRESIDENT FOR THEATRE TRAINING IN THE ASIA PACIFIC REGIONAL COUNCIL

At the 36th ITI Congress Festival in Fujairah, February 2023

Cecile Gudiote-Alvarez, President from the Philippines of the Social Change Network chaired the panel discussion bannering artists as change makers with points of views from the Philippines, Bangladesh and Seoul Institute of the Arts linked with La MaMa in New York for bannering an innovative CultureHub techno-arts connectivity especially useful during the isolation period of covid/ Colombia from Latin America/ Saudi Arabia from the Arab Region/ Zimbabwe and Kenya from Africa. Across cultural presentation both at the panel and at the concluding ceremony profiled a successful intergenerational, inclusive, interdisciplinary, intercultural, interfaith process of holding training in workshops, performances and public fora involving levels of ministers, expert artists, legislators and civil society leaders under the patronage of UNESCO. The report of a Manila Platform of Action for a culture-based SDGs Education by the blended participation of 30 countries was provided to UNESCO which was received with satisfaction by the Director General Audrey Azoulay, herself.



Country program annually

The ITI Center regularly has live performances and webinar events in various places throughout the country with broadcast outreach in its award-winning media platform, DZRH RADIO BALINTATAW. The celebration of Arts Month with emphasis on World Radio day and Mother Tongue Day dedicated by UNESCO occurs in February. March for Women, World Theatre, Water, Forest and Poetry. April for International Dance Day and Earth Day. May for Bio-cultural Diversity for International Arts Education Week. June for Ocean and World Environment and Ocean Day. July for Nutrition and Disability Prevention and Rehabilitation Week. August for dedication to Youth and Indigenous Peoples focused as well on Trade for creative enterprises and national language month. September for Peace month. October for UN, Teachers & Indigenous Peoples Month in the Philippines. November for Protection of Women and Children from Violence. December for Human Rights Day week as well as observance advancing the rights of overseas Filipinos and migrants. Our broadcast theatre is held 6 times a week focuses on music, dance, drama, interviews with artists and a special focus on social and economic global and national concerns. It is geared to share necessary information and action to promote environmental care and poverty reduction services particularly cultural caregiving to vulnerable groups.

DZRH RADYO BALINTATAW

ITI-Earthsavers ResiliArt Events with
UNESCO patronage at COP 28-Dubai

HOSTED BY:
**CECILE GUIDOTE
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Artist for Public Service

Please join us on DZRH Radyo Balintataw this Sunday as we share the *Earthsavers DREAMS Ensemble honored as UNESCO Artist for Peace* with the *International Theatre Institute* at COP 28 focusing on mobilizing artists, teachers, communicators to popularize science through SDGs Techno-ResiliArt Education for empowerment, healing trauma and generating eco-friendly, indigenous, creative industries to alleviate poverty, build resilience and actualize Climate Justice and Peace as embodied in Manila Platform of Action for SDGs lifelong learning forged under the patronage of UNESCO.

- On **December 9** at 9:00 AM celebrating **Ocean Day** at the UNFCCC press conference room 1, B8 with the partnership of **UNESCO** & its **Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission** headed by **ADG Vladimir Ryabinin** as Executive Secretary with his message of support for cultural caregiving to vulnerable groups on the decade of climate science and the 75th Anniversary of the UN Human Rights Declaration
- On **December 8**, commemorating special day of **Youth, Children & Education** at the Philippine Pavilion, B6 Bldg. 80, 12:00 PM-12:30PM and including the commentary of **Mrs. Cecile Guidote-Alvarez** at the **Pakistan Pavilion**.
- On **December 3**, observing for **UN Day for PWDS** for *social transformation* hosted by **De Montfort University of Leicester, Great Britain** at the Women & Youth Pavilion B7 Bldg. 90 with the cooperation of the *Academic Community including the Moroccan Youth delegation and Fujairah Environmental Authority* with special message from **ADG for Culture, Ernesto Ottone Ramirez** and **DSWD Secretary, Rex Gatchalian**

ADG Vladimir Ryabinin

Ms. Dewy Sacayan
co-host

December 10, Sunday, 6:00-7:00 PM

via DZRH-666 AM Radio
Or live stream broadcast: radio.org.ph/dzrh

DZRH RADYO BALINTATAW

Celebrating Earth Day via
Decarbonization & Clean-Up

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Thank you **U.P. Alpha Phi Beta** for remembering and keeping the legacy alive of **Senator Heherson Alvarez** in an annual Earth Day Forum focused on 2024 theme "**Planet vs Plastics**". Including the published brief message of **UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres**. Designated as keynote speaker as Director of Earthsavers/UNESCO Artist for Peace & ITI Social Change President for Earth Day 2024 coordinated by **Alphan JM Dumandan**. In re-echoing the key principles Sonny fought for and action undertaken, we were privileged to share messages of significant legislative leaders pushing for defense of the environment in the common effort of emergency climate action, bio-cultural diversity, pollution control, eco-friendly, indigenous creative industries & cultural communications to popularize science and fulfill SDGs 2030 Agenda. Listen to important agenda pursued by **Congressmen: Edgar Chatto, Roman Romulo, Christopher De Venecia**, and **Senator Cynthia Villar**. With commentaries from international NGO partners like: **Viktor Sebek** of **SSCC**, **Nasir Khattak** of **Climate Institute**, **Fr. Ben Beltran** of **Interfaith Dialogue** and **Ric Cruz** of **UNAP**. They are patriotic statesmen, civil society and religious leaders collectively raising awareness, awakening heroism to save our ailing Mother Earth. Continuation of forum with Alphan panel discussions will continue on April 22 to 23 at DZRH Radyo Balintataw at 11:00 p.m.

April 21, 2024, Sunday, 6:00 PM

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The successful SDGs ResiliART Events, Year 2021 to 2023, has been shared in various public event from the National Library to Boystown to the City Council of Manila which has now provided a **permanent SDGs mural installation and exhibition of visual arts and performances** that represent and engages all sectors for the popularization of climate science and values essential for promoting peace.



The Philippines sent a delegation to the NEAP Festival in Brazil as well as Peace Festival in Vietnam through our Dance and Communication practitioners and their report was given a more detailed description in the appendix that was submitted by Anthony Cruz and Gigi Velarde David, respectively.



Mrs. Alvarez was invited as speaker panelist at the **World Theatre Celebration hosted by the Chinese Center at the Langfang** where she shared the concerns and the agenda of action for promoting protection of people and planet, peace and prosperity, equitably given through partnerships. Also, attached our other committee reports: Playwrights Director, Dance, Music, Heritage, Indigenous, Culture, Migrants, Peace in conflicted areas, visual arts design and educational forum.

The concern to input the importance of cultural communications was also presented by the Philippine Center of ITI and Social Change Network through the Earthsavers DREAMS National ITI Center that was included in a various side-events at the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Dubai, December 2023, where we had the cooperation of the Philippine ITI President Mohamed Al-Afkham.



Likewise, the Philippine Center- Social Change Network through the Earthsavers Secretariat was invited to be a speaker at the **World Environment Education Conference in Abu Dhabi in 2024** on the topic: ***Aesthetics, Ethics & Emotional Dimensions, The Role of Art and Design in EE***, early this year.

At the 37th Congress of the ITI

For the coming COP29 in Baku, Azerbaijan, the ITI Social Change Network through the Earthsavers, an accredited NGO, will undertake special campaign already recognized by the President of the UN COP in a special online meeting engaging civil society for the proposal for a UN Resolution for an **SDGs ResiliART Olympics** promoting peace and climate action in order to help fulfill all country commitments to the UN 2030 SDGS Agenda linked to the Paris Climate Accord. We trust this proposal will involve the strong partnership of the International Theatre Institute which is being presented in the 37th Congress co-hosted by Belgium and Netherlands. What was most significant in pursuing this campaign was the acceptance of the report at the Senate which hosted the UN triangulated conference on Youth, Indigenous Peoples and the observance of the 60th Anniversary of UNCTAD hosted by the Senate Committee on Environment, Climate Change and Agriculture and various other Senators that assisted and accepted the program where we hope an SDGs ResiliART program can be created into a UN dedicated week perhaps during the month of May where UNESCO celebrates International Arts Education Week. We have attached the declaration of principles and recommendations that was accepted at the Senate together with more particularize proposals to advance the welfare of youth, women and indigenous peoples as well as senior citizens for an inclusive promotion of human rights.

The Dance Committee of the Philippine ITI will be moving its hosting offer for International Dance Day on 2025 to 2026 April, in conjunction with our country hosting the ASEAN Summit that will be presented by the Dance Committee Chair, Shirley Halili- Cruz.

We are enclosing the list of the executive council of the Philippine Center and attaching more detailed report from the various committees that parallel the committee organization of the International ITI Secretariat. A special report of the social change network and its work in the global community under UNESCO Patronage was prepared by the ITI-Earthsavers-Caffeinated Palette including a link to appropriate messages from UNESCO ADGs of Science and Culture.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1nf15omjimpof14swRMbMNYaG-Fall0Nbj/view?usp=sharing>

ITI PHILIPPINE CENTER – EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

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| NAME | DESIGNATION |
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| Cecile-Guidote Alvarez | - <i>President Emeritus</i> |
| Joey Lina | - <i>President</i> |
| Frank G. Rivera | - <i>Vice President</i> |
| Roderick O. Alo | - <i>Secretary General</i> |

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| Cecile Guidote-Alvarez | - <i>Chairman</i> |
| Atty. Elba Cruz | - <i>Co-Chairman</i> |
| Susan Claudio - Caffeinated Palette | - <i>Secretary</i> |

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| Shirley Halili Cruz | - <i>Chairman</i> |
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| Peter Macrohon | - <i>Chairman</i> |
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| Gigi Felix Velarde | - <i>Secretary</i> |

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