

World Bank Group (WBG)
Country Assistance Strategy (CAS) for the Philippines
 Program for Consultation Meeting
 September 29, 2008

Boardroom 1 and 2, Villa Caceres Hotel, Naga City

Objectives of the Consultations:

- 1) To increase the WBG's understanding of Government's and various stakeholders' views on the critical development challenges that the Philippines faces
- 2) To share and discuss ideas for possible policy options and programs that could address these challenges, as well as how the WBG could contribute
- 3) To increase Government's and stakeholders' understanding of the WBG's work in the Philippines

8:30	<i>Arrival and Registration</i>	<i>Meeting Secretariat</i>
8:50	National Anthem	
8:55	Prayer	
9:00	Welcome Remarks	Representative Ateneo de Naga Mr. Bert Hofman WB Country Director
9:15	Introduction of Participants	Mr. Oman Jiao Lead Facilitator
9:20	Introductory Remarks	Engr. Luis Banua Div. Chief, NEDA RO-V
9:30	Presentation: The World Bank Group and the Current CAS for the Philippines	WBG Representative
9:45	Open Forum	
10:15	<i>Morning Break</i>	
10:30	Focused Group Discussions (FGD): The World Bank's New Country Assistance Strategy for the Philippines	Participants in small groups with assigned facilitators
12:30	<i>Lunch</i>	
1:30	Plenary: Reporting and Discussion of FGD Results	Mr. Oman Jiao and FGD facilitators
2:30	Open Forum	
3:15	<i>Afternoon Break</i>	
3:30	Presentation: Stakeholder Feedback, Emerging CAS Themes	WBG Representative
3:45	Open Forum	
4:45	Observations/Closing Remarks	Mr. Bert Hofman WB Country Director
5:00	<i>End of Meeting</i>	