



Action in the Field

Brief Activity Report



To shepherd the future. Career officers of the government undergo a series of training on trade policy analysis to enhance their analytical skills on trade policymaking. DTI Undersecretary for Industry Development and Trade Policy Adrian Cristobal Jr (left, second row photo) presents before the trainees the PH trade strategy to situate their learning activities throughout the course of the training. The skills upgrading creates a fresh rank of career officers as future analytically skillful PH trade policymakers. Dr. Ramon Clarete (left, top and bottom photos, with microphone), principal trainer, walks through the trainees over the first module of the two-part training course.





Mentoring, sharing, strengthening.

Trainees participate in the last phase of the two-part training module on trade policy analysis training and learn practical insights in trade analysis work. Dr. Caesar Cororaton (left, top photo) of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University talks the *PH Computable General Equilibrium Modeling* to provide the trainees an overview of how to analyse trade policies and agreements. TRTA Imprest Administrator Brenda Mendoza (right, top photo) comments on the tariff regimes to provide trainees a view of tariff assignments across merchandise exports while TRTA Trade Policy Advisor Dr. Ceferino Rodolfo (right, second row photo) shares the policy-making process in the context of the TRTA thrust. Government career officers (bottom photo) gather at the closing of their training.





Training to win the trade. Government career officers (second row photo) draw valuable lessons across trade-related course topics to further strengthen their competence in analysing trade policies to eventually make these as platforms for growth. Dr. Geoffrey Ducanes (left, top photo) of the University of the Philippines (UP) School of Economics illustrates the methodology behind the analysing the impacts of trade agreements proceeding from the lectures on rules of origin and tariff calibration presented by Elizabeth Tan (right, top photo) of the UP School of Economics. Dr. Ramon Clarete (right, bottom photo) discussed with the trainees topics on trade in services and trade remedies while Boar of Investment Executive Director Efren Leaño (left, bottom photo) prods the trainees to make use of the lessons they learned from the training in making PH trade grow.



Component	Trade Policy and Export Development
Implementing Agency	Department of Trade
Activity	Trade Policy Analysis Course Series Training 1: <i>Introduction to Trade Policy Analysis</i> Training 2: <i>Selected Topics in Trade Policy Formulation</i>
Date/Site	5-7 December 2011 / AIM Conference Center, Makati City; 15-16 December 2011 / Holiday Inn, Clark Freeport Zone, Pampanga
Participants	50 career officers from government agencies with functions on trade-related matters.
Resource-person/s	DTI Undersecretary Adrian S. Cristobal, Jr., Ms Elizabeth Tan, Ms. Loreli de Dios, Dr. Ramon Clarete, Dr. Geoffrey Ducanes
Expected Outcome	Competently equipped senior, intermediate, and junior government officials in policymaking processes on trade-related matters.
Objective	To equip senior, intermediate, and junior government officials with deeper knowledge and better understanding on trade policy analysis.
Methodology	Lecture/Case Presentation Case Presentation Discussion