



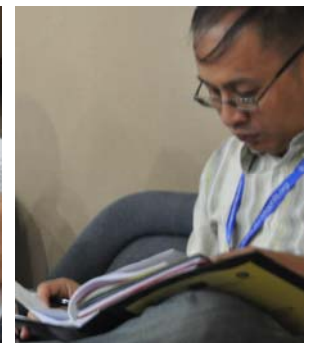
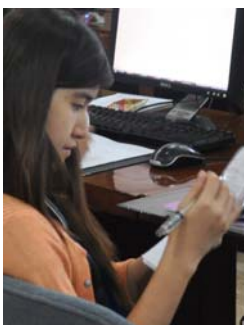
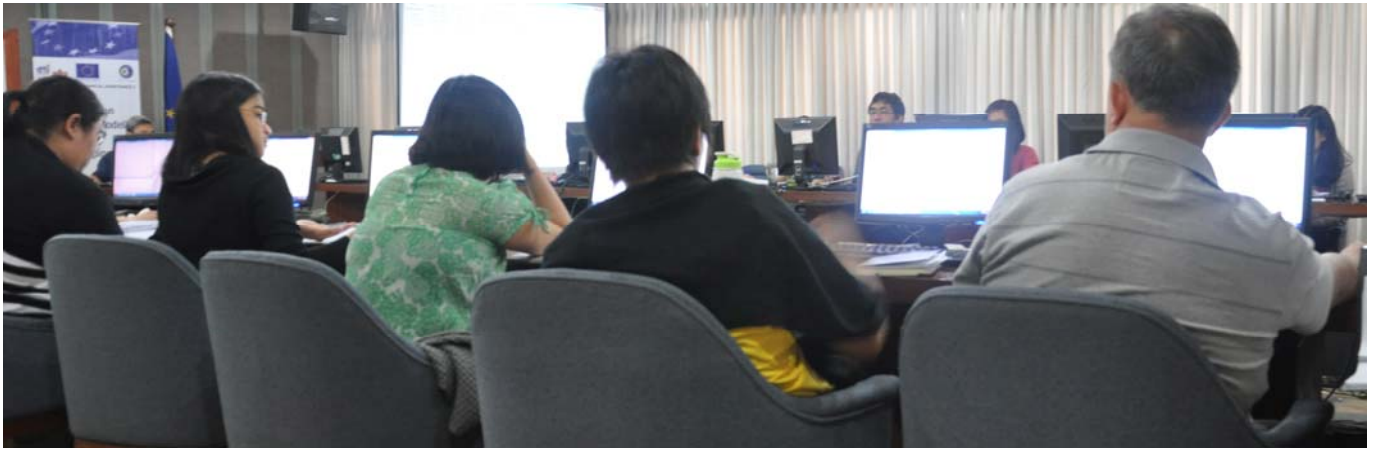
Action in the Field

Brief Activity Report



Training to Estimate Economic Impact. Government personnel involved in trade-related work and members of the academe go through a five-day intensive training on estimating the impact on the economy due to changes in policy, technology and other factors through the use of Computable General Equilibrium (CGE) model. Dr. Edwin Coron (standing, left, top photo) with Dr. Caesar Cororaton (seated, right, top photo) work in tandem in conducting the training. The *Training on Trade Policy Modeling in the Philippines* is an enabling exercise particularly for the government to strengthen its decision-making process as it seeks to expand its overseas markets for its merchandise exports and services.





Component	Rapid Response Facility
Implementing Agency	Department of Trade and Industry and Philippine Institute of Development Studies
Activity	Training on Trade Policy Modelling in the Philippines
Date/Site	9-13 January 2013/NEDA sa Makati, Amorsolo, Makati City
Participants	Government = 27 Academe = 4
Resource-person	Dr. Caesar Cororaton
Expected Outcome	<p>A working trade CGE model for use and application by the government and by the academic community in the ex-ante and ex-post analysis of trade agreements.</p> <p>A manual for use in training the users of the model in terms of maintaining the model, its application to the study of specific policy issues, and its implications for policy making.</p> <p>Enabled government personnel and faculty of the academe in using the CGE model in trade-related analytical work.</p>
Objective/s	<p>To develop a trade Computable General Equilibrium (CGE) model for the Philippines.</p> <p>To develop a manual-fully-describing the specifications of the model and providing instructions for: using and applying the model, maintaining the model, and manipulating and revising the model.</p> <p>To train prospective users of the model, using the manual.</p> <p>To train policymakers on how to interpret and use the analytical results of the model.</p> <p>To recommend a strategy for maintaining the CGE model, in terms of updating data and model specifications.</p>
Methodology	<p>Lecture</p> <p>Discussion</p> <p>Training exercises</p>