

## GADRI Membership Application Form

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The outline of the Organization and objectives can be accessed through the following

link:

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## Research Interests (areas of research disciplines, number of faculty members, etc.):

It includes mainstreaming Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) and Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation (CCAM) in policy formulation; Institutional development, urban and rural land-use and development planning; and public infrastructure and housing among others. Essentially, our organization Programs, Projects, and Activities (PPAs) are geared towards disaster risk reduction management thematic areas (i.e., Disaster preparedness, response, rehabilitation and recovery and prevention, and mitigation). Further, we also deal with the PPAs related to climate change action plan priority areas (i.e., food Security, water security, ecological and environmental stability, human security, climate friendly industries and services, sustainable energy, and knowledge and capacity development). In addition sustainable development goals 2030



(i.e., no poverty, zero hunger, good health and well-being, quality education, gender equality, clean water and sanitation, affordable and clean energy, decent work and economic growth, industry, innovation and infrastructure, inequality, sustainable cities and communities, responsible consumption and production, climate action, life below water, life on land, peace and justice strong institutions, and partnerships to achieve the goal) are also part of our researches.

## A brief description of Research Achievements and Challenges:

In 1978, PLANADES was certified as a tax-exempt corporation by the Department of Science and Technology (DOST), formerly the National Science Development Board. It formally entered into a working and collaborative arrangement under a Memorandum of Agreement dated 10 August 1978 with the U.P. School of Urban and Regional Planning (UP SURP) where the corporation is presently based. PLANADES is a NEDA/COFILCO Accredited Firm with FILCON Consultant Code No. CC-100054.

In close collaboration with U.P SURP, PLANADES has since operated and engaged in promoting studies and applied research and providing technical assistance by way of consultancy/extension services to government and non-government entities. It has also supported scholarships and professorial chairs, as well as the development of publications and other related areas. With the impacts of climate change, along with increased population, urbanization, and environmental degradation, PLANADES was involved in Building the Resilience and Awareness of Metro Manila Communities to Natural Disasters and Climate Change impacts Program: Preparatory Phase: Capacity Building Team (BRACE) I in 2013. PLANADES has done substantial number of studies related to environmental impact.

PLANADES established its formal Disaster Risk Management/Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation office in 2015 and what is now called Climate Change and Disaster Risk Management (CCDRM) Unit. The creation of CCDRM Unit shows the dedication of PLANADES to mainstream DRR and CCAM in policy formulation and development plans particularly in PLANADES's Projects especially related to climate change action plan priority areas (i.e., food Security, water security, ecological and environmental stability, human security, climate friendly industries and services, sustainable energy, and knowledge and capacity development); sustainable development goals 2030 (i.e., no poverty, zero hunger, good health and well-being, quality education, gender equality, clean water and sanitation, affordable and clean energy, decent work and economic growth, industry, innovation and infrastructure, inequality, sustainable cities and communities, responsible consumption and production, climate action, life below water, life on land, peace and justice strong institutions, and partnerships to achieve the goal); and disaster risk reduction management thematic areas (i.e., Disaster preparedness, response, rehabilitation and



recovery and prevention, and mitigation); including land-use and urban planning; and public infrastructure and housing among others. The PLANADES CCDRM Unit aims to strengthen long-term disaster resilience through capacitating communities on climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction management. It shall develop and implement programs in the areas of community resilience recovery and rehabilitation, and research and innovation.

Objectives of CCDRM Unit:

1. Educate community leaders, decision makers, front liners, planners, educators and other directly or indirectly involved personnel in CCDRM field and risk-informed (risk-sensitive) land-use and development plan;.

2. Develop and design CCDRM-related short certificate courses for Local to National Government personnel;

3. Organize periodic local and international CCDRM risk-informed land-use and development planning, and business continuity related Conferences, training programs, workshops, symposiums, and alike activities that can be credited for Continuing Professional Development requirement.; Support and advance the existing training programs of University of the Philippines, School of Urban and Regional Planning Training and Extension Services;

4. Develop Research and Publication based venue for peer to peer knowledge sharing, public lecture series, open dialogues, and panel and focus group discussions of Local to International leaders, planners, advocates, and other professionals associated to CCDRM;

5. Develop local and international partnership and linkages to promote and achieve above CCDRM objectives and PLANADES main objectives.

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CCDRM-Profile.pdf (planades.org)

Comparative advantage/contribution to GADRI Activities:

A key barrier to improving national resilience to disaster risks and climate change impacts has been identified as a lack of capacity and expertise resulting

from the absence of sustainable accredited and quality assured formal training programmes in the disaster risk reduction and climate change adaptation sectors.

As PLANADES is a research development oriented organization and closely working through the partnership with School of Urban and Regional Planning (SURP) University of the Philippines, Diliman, Quezon City, Philippines. Thus, can have following contribution to GADRI Activities:

- Currently, PLANADES is developing formal Disaster Risk Management Technical and Vocational Education and Training (DRM-TVET) Program towards Higher Education Institution.
- We have pool of DRM expertise and institutions as members and partners respectively. Thus, PLANADES can facilitate and coordinate with GADRI



members in hosting and conducting International Conferences and seminars for DRM knowledge contribution and dissemination.

- PLANADES's assets also include extending its services to trans-disciplinary fields, communities, and groups. Thus, have vital experience to be an advocator in liking researchers, practitioners, educators, media, policy makers, and decision makers, and makers.
- PLANADES educate community leaders, decision makers, front liners, planners, educators and other directly or indirectly involved personnel in DRM field and risk informed (risk-sensitive) land-use and development planning. Indeed, this aim is basically comparative advantage to GADRI activities.

PLANADES aims to develop local and international partnership and linkages to promote and achieve DRM objectives. Certainly, it will contribute towards GADRI activities.

## Expected Outputs/Results:

- Contribute to the advancement of disaster research, and experts those working in the field of disaster risk reduction;
- Develop Research and Publication based venue for peer to peer knowledge sharing, public lecture series, open dialogues, and panel and focus group discussions of Local to International leaders, planners, advocates, and other professionals associated to DRM;
- Organize periodic local and international DRM risk-informed land-use and development planning, and business continuity related Conferences, training programs, workshops, symposiums, and alike activities that can be credited for Continuing Professional Development requirement;
- Utilize and advance the existing training programs of University of the Philippines, School of Urban and Regional Planning Training and Extension Services;

Identify gaps in our area of research interest to achieve disaster risk reduction in the real world. Further, output will also include a road map to reduce the identified gaps. It is certainly aligned with the GADRI expectations from their member organization.