

Member's Webinar Series 05:

“Empowering the Business Sector with Nature's Toolbox”

Exploring the Potential of Natural Climate Solutions

Background

In the Philippines, businesses across various industries are increasingly recognizing the importance of harnessing Natural Climate Solutions (NCS) in their operations. For example, companies in the agriculture sector are adopting sustainable farming practices such as agroforestry and organic farming to reduce their carbon footprint and protect natural ecosystems. Similarly, businesses in the energy sector are investing in renewable energy sources such as solar and wind power to reduce reliance on fossil fuels and minimize greenhouse gas emissions. By incorporating nature-based solutions into their strategies, Filipino businesses are not only contributing to climate mitigation efforts but also promoting sustainable development and resilience in the face of a changing climate. The transition requires organizations to navigate various solutions and mechanisms to adapt to these changes. The Philippines is a country with rich biodiversity and natural resources, making it an ideal location to explore the potential of NCS.

Best efforts are being made to utilize the power of NCS in the Philippines, such as reforestation projects, mangrove restoration initiatives, and sustainable land management practices. Through collaboration between government agencies, non-profit organizations, and local communities, the country is working towards a more sustainable future that prioritizes nature as a key player in combating climate change. By investing in these NCS, the Philippines can not only mitigate the impacts of climate change but also preserve its unique biodiversity and natural heritage for future generations.

In this webinar, we will be hearing from one of BSD's global partners, the World Business Council for Sustainable Development - Natural Climate Solutions Alliance as they bring a comprehensive overview of NCS, including its significance for climate and nature targets, the cases of purchasing credits in the voluntary carbon market and avenues for further engagements through the NCS Procurement Hub. This aims to introduce new concepts and initiate the discussion in developing better strategies for businesses. This virtual event will benefit the BSD Member Companies to stay up-to-date on the latest developments and have the networking opportunity to connect with thought leaders.

Objectives

This webinar aims to meet the following objectives:

- Help participants understand how NCS align with global climate and nature targets, emphasizing their role in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and fostering resilience in the face of climate change.
- Address questions and issues from the audience on incorporating NCS into their organizational strategies
- Encourage discussion and partnerships among the speakers and audience.
- Increase the contribution to the resource center of BSD Knowledge Hub.

Target Audience

BSD Member Companies are the main participants for this webinar. Professionals coming from the following industries:

- Agribusiness
- Banking
- Environmental Services
- Digital Technology
- Food and Beverage
- Holding Companies
- Manufacturing
- Mining

- Oil & Gas
 - Power
- Real Estate
 - Telecommunications
 - Water Services

Event Program and Set-up

This webinar will happen on the **26 of April 2024** via **Zoom Webinar** from **3:30 PM to 5:00 PM** (1.5 hours).

Zoom Meeting Details	
Meeting Link	https://zoom.us/j/95493834142?pwd=S1pFSld3ZnpTY1RnS0oyNEhSc1pwdz09
Meeting ID	985 1827 7898
Passcode	BSDNCS2024

Program	Time	Duration
Welcoming - Housekeeping and Reminders	3:30 pm - 3:35 pm	(5 mins.)
I. Opening Remarks	3:35 pm - 3:40 pm	(5 mins.)
II. Introduction: Webinar Topic Raoul "Arvi" Perez Sustainability Management Systems - Program Consultant Business for Sustainable Development, Inc.	3:40 pm - 3:45 pm	(5 mins.)
III. Webinar Proper - Introduction of Panel Speakers	3:45 pm - 3:50 pm	(5 mins.)
Ms. Giulia Carbone Director, Natural Climate Solutions Alliance World Business Council for Sustainable Development	3:50 pm - 4:00 pm	(10 mins.)
Ms. Rafaella Infanti Engagement Manager Voluntary Carbon Markets Integrity Initiative	4:00 pm - 4:10 pm	(10 mins.)
Engr. Edmond "Macky" Maceda Special Adviser on Waste Management for Bacolod City Bacolod City Government	4:10 pm - 4:20 pm	(10 mins.)
IV. Panel Discussion & Open Forum	4:20 pm - 4:50 pm	(30 mins.)
V. Closing Remarks Raelanie Loyola Business Development and Membership Manager Business for Sustainable Development, Inc.	4:50 pm - 4:55 pm	(5 mins.)
VI. Photo Opportunity and Announcements	4:55 pm - 5:00 pm	(5 mins.)