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## **AIDE COLLABORATES WITH EXPERTS ACADEMY IN PROVIDING SHORT COURSE ON DIGITAL PROFICIENCY FOR TEACHERS**



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From Left to Right: Mr. Paul Baleros, Ms. Tess Alcuaz and AIDE's Executive Director, Mrs. Zenaida Villaescusa representing the top management of the Asian Institute for Distance Education Inc. with the President and CEO of Experts Academy, Mr. Mark Joseph Aquino and Mrs. Divine Aquino. To the extreme right is Mr. Bert Gopez representing the President and CEO of AIDE Inc.



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Realizing the need to respond to the call to strengthen the ICT capacity of the teaching force at the basic education of the Philippines, specifically with the stronger recognition of ICT as a vital tool for nation-building and good governance, as laid down by the government in the Philippine Development Plan (PDP, 2017-2022), the AIDE and Experts Academy inks partnership last May 23, 2018. The two institutions signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) to offer a short course on Digital Proficiency for Teachers which was held at

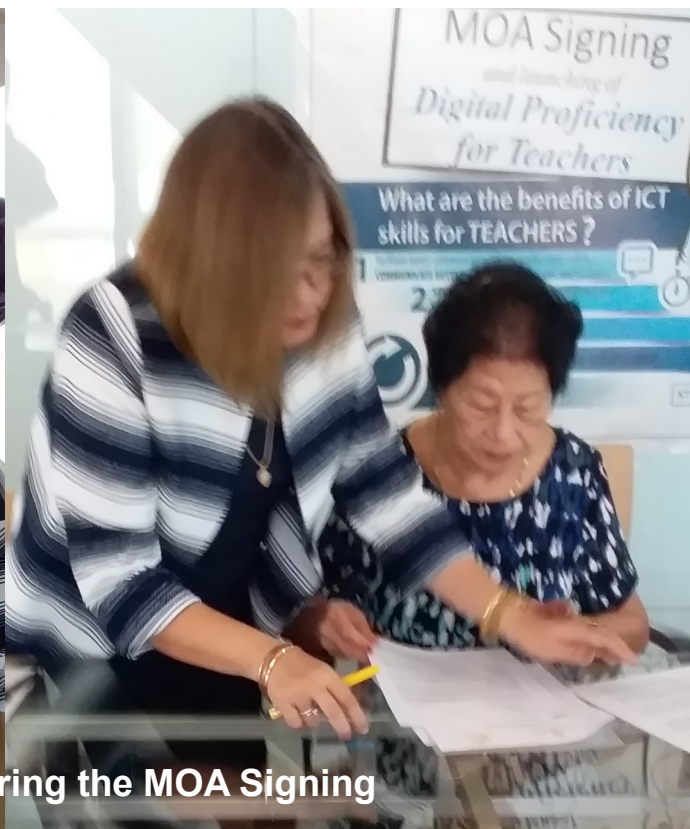
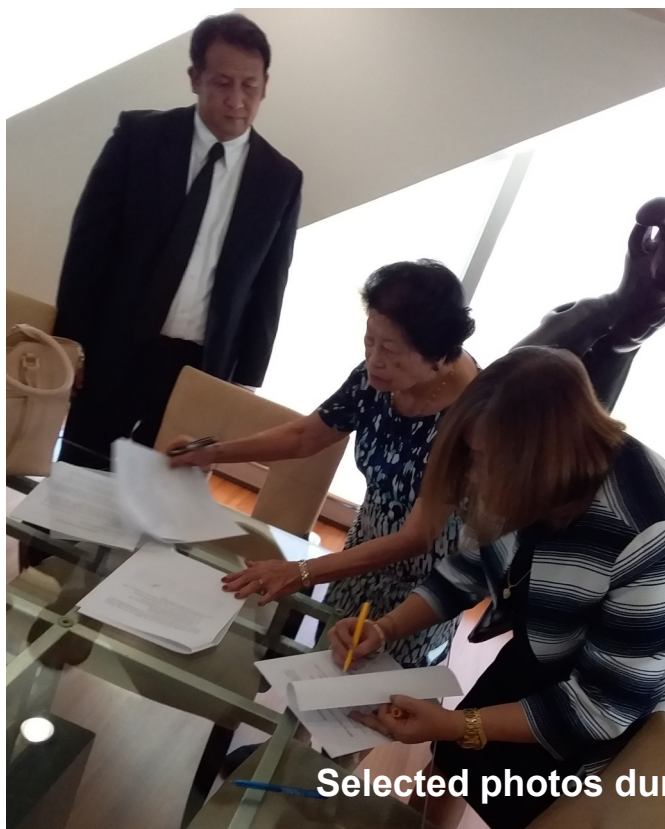
The DPC Place Building at Pasong Tamo Extension, Makati City.

The MOA signing was attended by the officials and executives of the two companies. Representing the AIDE Inc. were Mr. Bert Gopez (back right), Mr. Paul Baleros (back left), Ms. Tess Alcuaz (front left) and Mrs. Zenaida Villaescusa (front, 2nd to the left). Meanwhile, the Experts Academy was represented by its President and CEO, Mr. Mark Joseph Aquino and Mrs. Divine Aquino (front right).

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Selected photos during the MOA Signing



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From Left to Right: Mr. Bert Gopez, Mrs. Zenaida Villaescusa and Mr. Mark Aquino take a pose after the MOA signing.

It must be emphasized that the 2017-2022 PDP made as part of its strategic priorities the need to:

- 1.) Address the existing infrastructure deficit in the education sector to make the classroom environment more conducive to learning; and
- 2.) Enhance teacher competencies through improvement in regular in-service training on pedagogical approaches and subject matter that are needed to improve student learning outcomes. This can be done through a responsive mentoring, workshops, organized training, and eLearning.

With these as bases and given the expertise of the two institutions on distance education and ICT educa-

tion, the two institutions collaborated to offer the course on “Digital Proficiency for Teachers” to help enhance teacher competencies on the use of ICT enabled teaching-learning processes like the use of Learner Management System (LMS). The course is specially designed to enhance the capacities of teachers in the use of ICT in their teaching—learning processes.

Specifically, the course is designed to meet the following learning outcomes for basic education teachers:

1. Acquire knowledge and skills relating to the pedagogically effective use of ICT to support and enhance teaching, learning and assessment in the classroom;
2. Provide a detailed guidance on designing and developing an e-learning course for lecturers or trainers and instructional designers who are new to e-learning design.
3. Understand the history of open learning and distance education in the Philippines with emphasis on understanding the institutionalization of open and distance learning in the Philippines with the issuance of R.A. 10650 otherwise known as ODL Act of 2014
4. Provide practical application on the use of word processing application to create everyday letters and documents.

The course is composed of four (4) modules which will be delivered via distance learning facilities with the aid LMS which will be supplemented by a practical application or actual hands-on learning.

The modules were designed by experts in distance education or open learning environment as well as experts in ICT education.