

Philippine Country Report

ASEAN Citation Index Steering Committee Meeting

Bangkok, Thailand

Steering Committee representation

- Transition from Director Napoleon Juanillo who is not anymore connected with the Commission
- Commission will nominate his successor in the next en banc meeting
- Funds were allocated for the contribution of the Philippines in the ACI subject to documents being requested from OHEC

Philippine Citations Index

- Started in 2015 but was not sustained because it was commissioned on a project-basis
- In talks with universities to rebuild the index to be covered by a long term MOA

Journal Incentive Program

- 22 journals submitted in the first call for applications from journals
- 15 qualified based on the criteria set by the Commission in Memorandum Order No. 53, s. 2016
- Of the 15, 14 are endorsed for the ACI based on scoring done by the staff

Journal Incentive Program

- Review of the incentive program
 - Ensure that there is a memorandum of agreement between publisher and the Commission
 - Cannot support stock and for-profit publishers
 - Enhancement of the composition of the screening committee per disciplinary area

Journal Incentive Program

- Publication in reputable journals and international rankings
 - Targets in the Commission's proposed strategic plan
 - Need to improve strategy to internationalize Board/reviewer composition
 - Scopus-based data for international rankings (but there are WoS journals)

Moving forward

- Provide continuing targeted technical assistance to journals
- Support journals to internationalize both in submissions and editorial boards
- Require English language abstracts for Filipino publications
- Support institutions to host/edit existing international journals
- Support possibly through incentives co-authorship with scholars from abroad

Maraming Salamat po!

Thank you!