



PRESS RELEASE



1 / 2

Manila, August 26, 2010

New Municipalities Join DELGOSEA to Replicate Good Governance Best Practices

The Partnership for Democratic Local Governance project or DELGOSEA has started preparing the transfer process of good governance best practices by formally engaging several municipal governments across partnering Southeast-Asian countries as pilot cities through the signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) since July 2010.

Until August 19, 2010, eight municipalities have endorsed their commitment with DELGOSEA to adapt and replicate selected good governance best practice into their area are:

- Kupang, Pangkal Pinang, and Tarakan in Indonesia—signed respectively on July 26, July 26 and July 27, 2010;
- Misamis Oriental (a cluster of nine municipalities) in the Philippines, August 13, 2010;
- Danang and Vinh City in Vietnam—signed respectively July 23 and July 29, 2010.

In each of the MoU signing events, the Mayors of the pilot cities and local government representatives were present, alongside DELGOSEA national partners: Local Government Development Foundation (LOGODEF) in the Philippines, United Cities and Local Government Asia Pacific (UCLG-ASPAC) and Association of Indonesian Municipalities (APEKSI) in Indonesia, and Association of Cities of Vietnam (ACVN) in Vietnam. One more pilot city Vietnam and Indonesia, and three others in Thailand will soon join the project and sign MoUs.



A project implemented by the contractor

Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung e.V. Head Office Germany

Field office Philippines
5/F Cambridge Bldg., 108 Tordesillas crn. Gallardo sts. - Makati City, Manila - Philippines

This project is co-funded by the European Union

Delegation of the European Union to Indonesia and Brunei Darussalam
Intiland Tower, 16th floor
Jl Jend Sudirman 32
Jakarta 10220 Indonesia
Tel: (62 21) 2554 6200
Fax: (62 21) 2554 6201

The European Commission is the EU's executive body.

The European Union is made up of 27 Member States who have decided to gradually link together their know-how, resources and destinies. Together, during a period of enlargement of 50 years, they have built a zone of stability, democracy and sustainable development whilst maintaining cultural diversity, tolerance and individual freedoms. The European Union is committed to sharing its achievements and its values with countries and peoples beyond its borders.

www.delgosea.eu



PRESS RELEASE



2 / 2

Manila, August 26, 2010

Prior to the signing, each pilot city selected one best practice out of the four available democratic local governance theme: **People’s Participation, Institutional Governance, Urban Environment and Fiscal Management.**

“The project is grateful for the pilot cities partners’ strong commitment and enthusiasm to replicate good governance best practices in their area. DELGOSEA will support pilot cities’ partners to implement the best practices transfer and to sustain the efforts after the project ends,” said DELGOSEA Project Manager, Susanne Stephan in Manila.

These MoU signings reflect the pilot cities governments’ involvement in adapting and facilitating knowledge and know-how transfer from their selected best practices. Rather than duplicating the best practice from host municipalities, the project’s approach is to create a transfer process in which pilot cities could adjust best practice key elements according to their own setting. To do this, DELGOSEA would provide a best practice transfer mechanism and capacity development activities for pilot cities’ local government members and associations in the coming months.

*The Partnership for Democratic Local Governance in Southeast Asia (DELGOSEA) is a network of local government associations, local authorities, non-government organizations and academic institutions focusing on transnational exchange of sustainable good governance practices in four main areas: **People’s Participation, Institutional Governance, Urban Environment and Fiscal Management.** Co-funded by the European Commission and the German Ministry for Development Cooperation with partners in **Philippines, Indonesia, Thailand, Cambodia, and Vietnam**, the project will end in August 2012.*

For more information, please contact:
Mira Renata, Communication Manager
Email: mira.renata@delgosea.eu or visit the
DELGOSEA website: <http://www.delgosea.eu>



A project implemented by the contractor

Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung e.V. Head Office Germany

Field office Philippines
5/F Cambridge Bldg., 108 Tordesillas crn. Gallardo sts. - Makati City, Manila - Philippines

This project is co-funded by the European Union

Delegation of the European Union to Indonesia and Brunei Darussalam
Intiland Tower, 16th floor
Jl Jend Sudirman 32
Jakarta 10220 Indonesia
Tel: (62 21) 2554 6200
Fax: (62 21) 2554 6201

The European Commission is the EU’s executive body.

The European Union is made up of 27 Member States who have decided to gradually link together their know-how, resources and destinies. Together, during a period of enlargement of 50 years, they have built a zone of stability, democracy and sustainable development whilst maintaining cultural diversity, tolerance and individual freedoms. The European Union is committed to sharing its achievements and its values with countries and peoples beyond its borders.

www.delgosea.eu