

Duterte, Lopez to confer PQA Award to DOST-ITDI

Philippine President Rodrigo Roa Duterte, DTI Chief Ramon M. Lopez, and DTI-Competitiveness Bureau Director Lilian G. Salonga will grant the Philippine Quality Award or PQA to the Industrial Technology Development Institute (DOST-ITDI) in rites on March 23, 2022.

One of 105 awardees since first conferred in 1998, DOST-ITDI Director Dr. Annabelle V. Briones will be receiving the Recognition for its Commitment to Quality Management Award or PQA Level 1 together with five State Universities and Colleges (SUCs) and one high school campus. <image><text><section-header><section-header><text>

Awardees of the 24th Philippine Quality Award (PQA) Assessment Cycle, which was approved by the Office of

the President on January 13, 2022, include DOST-ITDI, the Philippine Science High School–Ilocos highest level of national recognition for exemplary organization performance in the Philippines.

It is patterned after the Malcolm Baldridge National Quality Award of the United States where it awards four Levels of Recognition, as follows:

Level 1: Recognition for Commitment to Quality Management;

Level 2: Recognition for Proficiency in Quality Management;

Level 3: Recognition for Mastery in Quality Management ; and

Level 4: Philippine Quality Award for Performance Excellence.

Currently, it applies Criteria for Performance Excellence in Construction, Education, Healthcare, Government, and SME.

PQA is the centerpiece program of the National Action Agenda for Productivity of the administration of President Fidel V. Ramos in response to the growing challenges of globalization. Signed into Executive Order No. 448 on October 3, 1997, it was later institutionalized as Republic Act 9013 on February 28, 2001. AMGuevarra\\ TSD-ITDI)

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