#### **DEG**

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### **Project Brief**



The Republic of the Philippines is in the epicenter of natural (earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, typhoons, monsoon rains, floods, etc.) and man-made disasters, ranking 11 out of 204 countries in the Natural Disaster Index.

Businesses in a country beset by disasters and catastrophes suffer from as much damage as its people. The adversity that citizens experience is prolonged when some enterprises (termed mission critical enterprises) are not able to get back on their feet soon after a calamity. This unique Public Private Partnership (PPP) program jointly funded by DEG of Germany and TÜV Rheinland Philippines, Inc. is a concrete step in

making these mission critical enterprises resilient. The project aims at creating the much needed awareness for disaster and crisis preparedness covering the Four Rs: Risk Reduction, Readiness, Response and Recovery. It aims at equipping at least 10 enterprises with the know-how on international standards and best practices that will make them resilient.

Some of the international standards under the scope of the project are Enterprise Risk Management-ERM Information Security Management System-ISMS, and Business Continuity Management-BCM.

## **Project Activities**



**CEO Forum** - Brings together top decision makers from various critical enterprises to create mass awareness. The CEO Forum will attempt to create the buy-in for the ROBUSTPHIL project.



**Training & Workshops** – Thirty mission critical enterprises in the Philippines shall be equipped with the required knowledge and skills on international standards like the Information Security Management System (ISO 27001), Enterprise Risk Management (ISO 31000) and Business Continuity Management (BS 25999), and other best practices governing disaster preparedness and recovery through a series of public trainings & workshops.



Company Selection - Companies who are interested in the project would be asked to submit an application form and the project committee shall choose based on established criteria. Companies should have sufficient resources, size, and manpower to meet project obligation. The organization also has to prove its commitment by signing an MOU with project implementers.



**Technical Assistance / Alignment** - Ten mission critical enterprises chosen as part of the program shall be offered direct technical assistance & mock assessment service for alignment towards the international standard (ISO 27001).



Best Practice Exchange Forum – The lessons & experiences gained during the program shall be shared through a best practice exchange forum to over 60 participants from various stakeholders (industry associations, government ministries, multilateral donors, private organizations, civil society) with the aim of disseminating learnings and creating the multiplier effect.



**Sustainability Tool Kit** - To sustain the project initiative, an e-learning kit on international standards (ISMS, ERM, BCM) and best practices governing crisis & disaster management will be developed and distributed to over 100 enterprises.

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Programme

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Facilitation &
Guidance

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Activities

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### **Benefits**

**ROBUST PHIL** is a Public Private Partnership program and it has a developmental agenda in supporting & equipping mission critical enterprises for better disaster & crisis preparedness.

Project offerings for participating companies include

#### **Free Public Trainings**

- Disaster & Crisis Management an overview
- Enterprises Risk Management (ERM) overview, tools & techniques
- Business Continuity Management overview, tools & techniques
- Information Security Management overview, tools & techniques
- Disaster & Crisis Management International best practices

#### Free Technical Assistance for alignment towards ISMS (ISO 27001)

- Gap Assessment
- Awareness & documentation trainings
- Technical workshops, process definition & documentation
- Implementation / rollout
- Mock audits & Assessment
- Audit support for certification

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