



## PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Reference No.: 512

<b>Date of Issue</b>	24 December 2024
<b>Project Code</b>	24-SN-05-GE-CBD-C-PH01
<b>Title</b>	Development of the Development Academy of the Philippines as an APO Certification Body
<b>Timing</b>	24 December 2024–23 June 2025
<b>Hosting Country(ies)</b>	Philippines
<b>Venue City(ies)</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Modality</b>	Hybrid In-country
<b>Implementing Organization(s)</b>	Development Academy of the Philippines and APO Secretariat
<b>Participating Country(ies)</b>	Philippines
<b>Overseas Participants</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Local Participants</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Closing Date</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Remarks</b>	Not Applicable

<b>Objectives</b>	Assist the Development Academy of the Philippines (DAP) to fulfill requirements as a certification body (CB) under the APO certification scheme; and provide training and consultancy services to the DAP to establish the structure, documentation, and procedures required as a CB.
<b>Rationale</b>	The accreditation of the DAP as an APO CB allows skilled consultants, trainers, and researchers to gain international standard certification. It supports Ambisyon Natin 2040 for a secure, comfortable life and aligns with the Philippines Development Plan 2023–2028 for economic transformation. This recognition also strengthens the DAP’s role as the nation’s leading productivity organization.
<b>Background</b>	<p>The Philippines needs to improve its global competitiveness and innovation rankings to ensure sustainable growth. Challenges like postpandemic recovery, rising living costs, and geopolitical tensions highlight the need for better productivity. A certification program for productivity specialists aligns with national and regional development goals, supporting Vision 2040, the 2023–2028 Economic Development Plan, Bagong Pilipinas Program, and the APO’s mission by fostering innovation, technology integration, and skill development. Certified specialists will enhance productivity, optimize resources, and improve supply chain efficiency across sectors.</p> <p>The Certification Body Development Program, comprising consultancy, training, and assessment, supports the formation of a CB in the DAP to certify productivity specialists in the Philippines and APO members.</p>
<b>Topics</b>	APO-AB 1003:2020 General Requirements for Certification Bodies: Certification of Persons Scheme; and APO-PS 101:2023 Requirements for the Productivity Specialist Certification Scheme and Competency Standard for Productivity Specialists.
<b>Outcome</b>	As an APO-accredited CB, the DAP will establish a certification management system, rules, procedures, and processes and comply with the requirements for acting as a CB of Productivity Specialists in the Philippines and other APO members.
<b>Qualifications</b>	Not Applicable

Please refer to the implementation procedures circulated with this document for further details.



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