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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION



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Dr. THERESITA V. ATIENZA
President
Quezon City University

Dear **Dr. Atienza**,

This refers to your request for the Certificate of Legitimacy of the International Research and Innovation for Sustainable Education (I-RISE) Hybrid Conference 2025 to be held in your university. CHED-IAS as the designated National Information Center on Higher Education¹ hereby responds to your request.


Upon evaluation, the proposed International Research and Innovation for Sustainable Education (I-RISE) 2025 organized by Quezon City University (QCU) is a **LEGITIMATE** academic activity aligned with RA 7722. The conference objectives are relevant, the registration fees are reasonable, and no red flags were noted.

However, while the activity is valid and supportive of CHED's thrusts, **CHED CANNOT ISSUE AN ENDORSEMENT OR RECOMMENDATION** due to the existing Memorandum from the Office of the Chairperson dated 17 February 2020, which suspends the implementation of CMO No. 22, s. 2003 ("Revised Guidelines in Processing Requests for CHED Endorsement to Hold an Activity"). The conference may therefore proceed as planned but without formal CHED endorsement.

For further inquiries regarding the verification of the status of higher education institutions and their programs, conferences, organizations, and networks, you may contact our office at ncaim@ched.gov.ph.

Please be guided accordingly to ensure that you engage only with legitimate and recognized academic entities.

Very truly yours,


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¹ CHED Special Order (CSO) No. 47 Series of 2013 - Composition of the Technical Working Group (TWG) for the establishment/Institutionalization of National Information Center (NIC) under the Asia Pacific Regional Convention on the Recognition of Qualification in Higher Education
[CSO no. 47 s 2013](#)