



2nd International Stakeholders' Forum on Banana and Cacao Diseases Management in the Philippines

February 6-7, 2025
Room 4, SMX Convention Center,
Davao City, Philippines

This serves as an Invitation

PROGRAM

Cacao Industry Day 1 | February 6, 2025

Time	Activity	Facilitator
<i>Morning Session</i>		
8:30 – 9:00	Registration	BaCaDM Project Secretariat
9:00 – 9:05	Welcome/Opening Remarks	Dr. Kyoko Watanabe Professor, Tamagawa University Chief Investigator, BaCaDM Project Dr. Kazuhito Obara President, Tamagawa University
9:05 – 9:45	Messages of Support	Mr. Yoshihisa Ishikawa Consulate-General of Japan in Davao Mr. Jiro Oshima Senior Representative, JICA Philippines Dr. Evaristo A. Abella University President, CLSU Project Director, BaCaDM Project
9:45 – 10:15	Current state of the Cacao Industry in the Philippines	Mr. Dante Muyco, Jr. Davao Region Cacao Industry Council Director, Philippine Cacao Industry Council
10:15 – 10:45	Current state of the Cacao Industry in Davao City	Councilor Marissa Abella Davao City Council Agriculture Committee Chairwoman
10:45 – 10:55	BaCaDM Project Overview	Dr. Parsons N. Hail Project 4 Leader, BaCaDM Project Project Manager, BaCaDM Project
10:55 – 11:05	Coffee break	
	BaCaDM Research Findings:	
11:05 – 11:20	<ul style="list-style-type: none">VSD, Black Pod Rot, new pathogen	Assoc. Prof. Celynn O. Padilla PhD Student and Research Assistant of Tamagawa University Project member, BaCaDM Project
11:20 – 11:40	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Soil reduction experiments	Mr. Mike Malonzo Project Member, BaCaDM Project
11:40 – 12:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Cacao growers survey	Dr. Parsons N. Hail Project 4 Leader, BaCaDM Project Project Manager, BaCaDM Project
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch Break and Networking	
<i>Afternoon Session</i>		
13:00 – 14:45	Stakeholders' Discussion and Open Forum: Cacao Growers, Cacao Industry Specialists, Higher Education Institutions (Question: What do we need to move the industry forward?)	Moderator Dr. Dionisio Alvindia Director of PhilMech
14:45 – 15:00	Closing Remarks	Dr. Ariel G. Mactal Deputy Project Director, BaCaDM Project Vice President for Administration, CLSU

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Banana Industry Day 2 | February 7, 2025

Time	Activity	Facilitator
<i>Morning Session</i>		
8:30 – 9:00	Registration	BaCaDM Project Secretariat
9:00 – 9:05	Welcome/Opening Remarks	Dr. Kyoko Watanabe Professor, Tamagawa University Chief Investigator, BaCaDM Project
9:05 – 9:15	Messages of Support	Mr. Jiro Oshima JICA Philippines Senior Representative Dr. Dionisio Alvindia Director of PhilMech
9:15 – 9:45	Current state of the Banana Industry in the Philippines	Mr. Peter Paul Savillo President, Mindanao Banana Growers Association (MEGA)
9:45 – 10:45	Current state of the Banana Industry in Japan	Mr. Takashi Kato Assistant Buyer, Trial Stores Mr. Keiju Okui Product & Logistics Division Manager, Unifrutti Japan
10:45 – 11:00	BaCaDM Project Overview	Dr. Parsons N. Hail Project 4 Leader, BaCaDM Project Project Manager, BaCaDM Project
11:00 – 11:10	Coffee break	
11:10 – 11:40	BaCaDM Research Findings: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Banana diseases• Soil reduction experiments	Dr. Shunsuke Nozawa Adjunct Assistant Research Professor, Tamagawa University
11:40 – 12:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Banana growers survey	Dr. Douglas Trelfa Professor, Tamagawa University
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch Break and Networking	
<i>Afternoon Session</i>		
13:00 – 14:30	Stakeholders' Discussion and Open Forum 1: Banana Growers, Banana Industry Specialists, Higher Education Institutions	Moderator Dr. Reynaldo Valle Senior Project Advisor, Mindanao BaCaDM Project
14:30 – 14:45	Coffee break	
14:45 – 15:45	Stakeholders' Discussion and Open Forum 2: Banana Growers, Banana Industry Specialists, Higher Education Institutions	Moderator Dr. Reynaldo Valle Senior Project Advisor, Mindanao BaCaDM Project
15:45 – 16:00	Closing Remarks	Dr. Kazuhito Obara President, Tamagawa University (represented by Dr. Douglas Trelfa)