September 28, 2021

## MS. PACITA ROSARIO Z. AQUINO

President City College of Tagaytay

Dear Ms. Aquino:

The DICT will be conducting **The Philippine Startup Challenge 2021** (**PSC 2021**) — a national startup competition, which aims to encourage and inspire Filipinos to create innovative and relevant ICT products and services that may be viable business ventures and help solve social problems which will be held on November this year, and February next year. This initiative is geared towards promoting the spirit of entrepreneurship in ICT among Filipinos and to ensure the continuous creation of investible ideas and startup founders that will liven the local ecosystem. The competition will be open for submission of entries that cover software and internet-based innovations.

As part of the PSC 2021, the **DICT Luzon Cluster 2 will organize a Regional Pitching Competition**, which will serve as the qualification stage for the national competition among interested team from Region 4A.

The following are the important dates to remember for the Student Category.

PHILIPPINE STARTUP CHALLENGE 2021 DICT LC2 CALENDAR	
October 20 & 21, 2021	Bootcamp 101
October 28 & 29, 2021	Bootcamp 102
November 15, 2021	Deadline of submission of entries for Student Category
November 24, 2021	Coaching
December 9, 2021	Regional Pitching for Region 3
December 10, 2021	Regional Pitching for Region 4
December 14 - 17, 2021	(TBC) Startup Mentoring for Regional Placers
January 12 & 13, 2022	National Semifinals for Student Category
February 10, 2022	Startup Finals Student Category (National)

As indicated, our office will organize a series of activities, specifically **Startup Bootcamp 101** and **Startup Bootcamp 102** to fully equip the participants before the Submission of Entries. These initiatives serve as our intervention to capacitate and develop startup teams joining the competition.

We are pleased to inform you that the Regional Office has prearranged slots for students or alumni, representatives, or teachers who might be interested to be a part of this competition.

## Interested participants from your institution may register on this link: Startup Bootcamp Registration

We hope to see your institution/organization joining this endeavor. Exciting prizes and mentoring programs awaits the regional and national winner. For further coordination, you may get in touch with the DICT Cavite Provincial Head, **Engr. Melanio Mamalateo** through email at **melan.mamalateo@dict.gov.ph** or through contact number at **09653208316**.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

Digitally signed by Villafuerte Petronilo Soriano

ENGR. REYNALDO T.S
Regional Director
DICT Luzon Cluster 2

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Interested participants may sign up here: Startup 2021 Entry Form For more information, please click this link: PSC 2021 Mechanics Registration for Student Category is until November 15, 2021