PAEPI participated in the 1st TREEDC International Conference in Tennessee, USA

The Maritime Academy of Asia and the Pacific (MAAP) led by its President VAdm Eduardo Ma. R. Santos , AFP (Ret) was once again well represented by its External Relations Director Dr Angelica M Baylon , who is also the Philippine Association of Extension Program Implementers , Inc (PAEPI SEC CN 2009-10059) President, during the **First Tennessee Renewable Energy and Economic Development Council (TREEDC) International Conference** on **October 10 thru October 17, 2014** at the Tennessee Technological University in Cookeville Tennessee USA, participated by 96 Mayors and 30 TREEDC colleges.



On invitation by the TREEDC President /Ducktown Tennessee Hon. Mayor James Talley (*Reference: Letter dated May 5,* 2014 to MAAP President VAdm. Santos and PAEPI President Dr



Angelica M. Baylon) to speak at the Inaugural TRREDC- Tennessee Tech

University International renewable Energy Conference in Cookeville Tennessee on October 12-14, 2014, Dr Baylon presented **4 papers**: *MAAP Best practices on Renewable Energy on behalf of MAAP President*; *PAEPI Best Practices on Renewable Energy*; *Department of Energy (DOE)*



Concentrated Solar Project and Updates on the Philippines BIGSHOW (6 Sources of Renewable Energy).

She also served as one of the panel discussants along with other renewable energy experts (**Kristy Keel** of East Tennessee Clean Fuels Coalition, **Brent Bailey** of 25 x 25 Organization and Patty West of TVA).

Dr Baylon photos with other speakers led by GOH and Keynote Speaker NORESCO CEO/President Neil Petchers.



TREEDC also provided Dr Baylon, the honor to award the TREEDC medallion to TVA Board member **Mike McWhertner** and the TREEDC plaque to NORESCO President/**CEO Neil Petchers** on separate occasions. Vis Solis and Tranquility International manifested interest to invest in the Philippines with MAAP as the Renewable energy model campus. **NORESCO CEO**



Neil Petchers who instructed **Bryan Stone** and **VP Randall Clark** to provide Dr. Baylon a copy of his book, had also advised Dr. Baylon to think big for the 100-200M US dollars renewable project in the Philippines which his company intends to invest.

The Philippine Delegations were well represented by the Academe , local government and media . Seated from L-R (Philippine Normal University Executive Director Dr. **Marites C. Geronimo** ; University of Pasig City President **Dr. Amihan April Alcazar** ; MAAP ERO/PAEPI



President Dr Angelica Baylon ; Technological University of the Director Philippines of International Linkages Dr. Gina Lapaz-Basa; and PNU Vice President Rebecca C. Nueva **Espana** and standing from L-R: Naga CityPhilippines Mayor John Bongat Philippine :

Electronics and Communication Institute of Technology President **Romeo Zerrudo**), TREEDC Director and MTAS University of Tennessee Director **Warren Nevad** ; Maritime Administration of the Department of Transportation Washington Dc USA **C/E Sujit Ghosh** ; International Affairs Director **Douglas Jackson**; Tan Acut Lopez and Pison Law Offices **Attorney Richard Anthony D. Alcazar** and Philippines GNN News Network General Manager/Central Bicol State Univ. **Fred Perdon**. During the opening ceremonies, the 10 Philippine Delegates were individually introduced and provided a TREEDC medallion. With 96 Tennessee mayors and 30 TREEDC member colleges, the Filipino delegates were warmly welcomed and honored by an applause and standing ovation by the Americans which was very heartwarming and memorable.

It must be noted that MAAP (VAdm Santos) and PAEPI (Dr. Baylon) have been commended by TREEDC, whose efforts helped TREEDC grow its International Exchange programme in the Philippines in the implementation of a successful educational forum on February 27, 2014 at the Maritime Academy of Asia and the Pacific in Mariveles Bataan. http://www.mediafire.com/view/2mlmhzbqpqc0k27/ext_photodocumentationTREEDC_Forum_an d_MOA_Signing_%28Feb_27, 2014%29.pdf

For this official trip, TREEDC provided all Tennessee lodging (*Hilton Hotel in Nashville, Log Cabin House in Ducktown*), meals and tours (*Cookeville, Nashville, Knoxville, Hendorsonville, Crossville, Mcminville, Fayeteville, Lenoir City, Kingston City, Ducktown City*) from **October 10-17, 2014** and the waived conference registrations. The conference program may be read at <u>https://www.tntech.edu/files/eprd/TREEDC_Conference_Agenda_Draft_3_17_2014.pdf</u> and at <u>https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/?ui=2&ik=1769449bbe&view=pt&search=inbox&msg=1474167fe</u><u>065adc7&siml=1474167fe065adc7_for the Conference_Flyer.</u>

It was an historic and significant event as Philippine delegations had converged together with the Tennessee Renewable Energy & Economic Development Council (TREEDC) to conduct an International conference, tour renewable energy facilities and share best practices.

Photo souvenir at the **reception Cookeville country club and then dinner at Chars**.



Visited the Vis Solis Solar Panel compound (Carlos Mayer and Barry Brown as host)



The delegation was hosted by Tennessee Tech University led by **VP Research /Economic Development Dr. Bharat Soni** & Provost and **VP Acad Affairs Dr Bahman Ghorashi** & other executive officials Asst. Dean **Dr. JulieBaker**, Director **Dr. Lisa Zagummy**, Director **Dr. Dennis Tennant**, Assoc VP Dr. **Thomas Brewer**, **Dr. Satish Mahajan**, **Dr. Kari Rajan**),



With the University of Tennessee Institute for Public Service with MTAS consultant Dana Deem,





With Vis-Solis President/CEO Carlos Meyer ; with NORESCO VP Randall Clark ; with Wampler' s Farm Sausage CEO Ted L Wampler and Aries Energy VP Mary Shaffer Gill and



withRhoadesSolarPowerBikeInternational(VPPyllisShelton),HannahSolar,Clean

Line Energy Partners, Elkton City and With Renaissance Renewable Energy/ Tranquility International (CEO Tim Haney)

Also visited the cities of Kingston (Hon Mayor W. Troy Beets, tallest guy)







and Ducktown City (Hon. Mayor James Talley in polo shirt)



The Philippine and Tennessee renewable energy stakeholders developed an action plan to help



each other to advance renewable energy by creating more educational awareness, initiate social responsibility programs and facilitating energy efficiency, biomass and solar related projects. To facilitate foreign investment in the Philippines, foreign investors are advised to partner with private individuals or institutions for renewable energy pilot projects as showcase for others to emulate and follow. One of the strategies is the creation or establishment of the Philippine Energy Efficiency Alliance Project (PEAAP) composed of various HEIs in the country with TREEDC and NORESCO as partners.



An email with attached letter dated Oct 19, 2014 from the TREEDC Conference Chair/Director Warren Nevad of the University of Tennessee was received by Dr Angelica M Baylon to wit: "On behalf of the 96 mayors and 30 colleges of the Tennessee Renewable Energy and Economic Development Council (TREEDC), please accept our gratitude for your invaluable contributions to our international conference, statewide renewable energy tours and strategic planning session. TREEDC appreciates the support of the Maritime Academy of Asia and the Pacific (MAAP). You are a wonderful ambassador of MAAP

to our International Exchange Program in the Philippines. We look forward to building our momentum and relationship with the University of Tennessee, Tennessee Technological University and Philippine partners. We look forward to working with MAAP to help increase renewable energy awareness, solve national energy shortage issues, create social responsibility programs and to develop renewable energy facilities at your fine institution. In addition, the Philippine Energy Efficiency Alliance project (PEEAP) with NORESCO will be



mutually beneficial to all member institutions Please convey my appreciation to MAAP President Santos, See you soon!

Our salute and respect to TREEDC Conference Chair Warren Nevad for the timely, professional well –organized and successful conduct of the activity. Another accomplishment for TREEDC! The Philippine delegations are truly grateful for the hospitality, courtesy and goodness that the Americans had shared and exemplified thru Warren, Doug and James! TREEDC/University of Tennessee (Director Warren Nevad) and the Tennessee Technological University (VP Bharat Soni) shall be represented at the CHED –endorsed 4th PAEPI Biennial Convention on Dec 1-3, 2014 to be hosted by the University of Pasig (Pamatasan ng Lungsod ng Pasig), as one of the 4 plenary American speakers along with Dr Peter Warner (Tohoku University) and Dr Steven Ray Gershon (Oberlin University).

TREEDC/ University of Tennessee and the Tennessee Technological University shall be introduced to the PAEPI member institutions. The Renewable Energy would be one of the PAEPI Extension Services Program under Environmental/Health Development Area in addition to sociowelfare, socio-economic and infrastructure /technology development areas. All PAEPI member institutions shall form part of the Philippine Energy Efficiency Alliance Project (PEAAP) to be presented by TREEDC Director Warren Nevad and PAEPI President Dr Angelica M Baylon on Dec 1-3, 2014 PAEPI National Convention.