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**O**n behalf of the Philippine Association of Institutions for Research (PAIR) with 50 member institutions and 600 individual members, I am pleased to congratulate the PAEPI BODs, officers, members, participants and guests of the 2nd PAEPI Biennial Convention and 19th General Assembly on the occasion of their 20th Anniversary, hosted by Aklan State University at their campus in Banga Aklan on December 8-11, 2010.

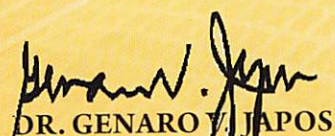
The theme “Implementation of Research-Based Extension Services Programs Towards the Accomplishment of MDGs cum Policy Advocacy of Magna Carta for Extension Services Workers” with Dr. Roberto Padua, an international research awardee and former CHED Commissioner as one of the guest of honor and speaker is indeed a brilliant idea!

It is notable that PAEPI, a professional organization for extension services workers had included research as part of their advocacy in creating innovative means of enhancing the implementation of the extension services program in the country Equally remarkable is the PAEPI advocacy for the welfare of their members thru the Magna Carta for extension workers by which the theme conveys the message clearly to the participants.

PAIR admires the efforts of PAEPI and wishes to tie up with PAEPI soon thru joint endeavors based on common concerns and objectives beneficial for our member institutions. Certainly, a PAIR-PAEPI collaboration would intensify the programs, projects and activities considering that research and extension services goes hand in hand to ensure that the research output or activity would have impact through implementation, knowledge transfer, community benefit and legal implications as factors which may be realized through extension services.

Dr Baylon is very much aware of these research impact factors as she was a recipient of the “International Roberto Padua Research Impact Award” for her paper (out of 238 paper entries) during the International Research Conference held in Vigan Philippines hosted by the University of Northern Philippines in April 2010. She was also awarded a National Research Leadership Award during a National Conference on Quality Assurance on International Research publications, held at the Our Lady of Fatima University in July 2010. Hence, PAIR nominated her the 2010 Outstanding Woman in Nation Service and she was part of the top 11 shortlisted finalist nationwide.

Cheers to Dr. Angelica M Baylon, for her leadership not only in research but also in extension services as the PAEPI President!

  
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