19 August 2019

DR. SOCORRO V. DELA ROSA, CESO V
Schools Division Superintendent
DepEd Division of Catanduanes
Virac, Catanduanes

Dear DR. DELA ROSA:

Greetings!

The A&A Knowledge Base Research Consultancy and Training, Inc. (A&A) will be conducting a seminar-workshop with its flagship program “Promoting Substantive Pedagogy through Action Research” on September 6-8, 2019 at the Emerald Boutique Hotel, Legazpi City and September 12-14, 2019 in Sorsogon City. This teacher professional development program primarily aims to capacitate the basic education teachers to conduct systematic examination of educational practices towards continuous improvement of learning outcomes. This program went careful examination and scrutiny among educational action researchers here and abroad and shall be delivered by highly competent researchers. The program likewise undergoes periodic evaluation of the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC) and are assigned Continuing Professional Development (CPD) units. The details of the program are attached to this letter.

In this regard, we would like to request for wide dissemination of this invitation to all teachers and staff in the division. Specifically, we would like to request to allow all teacher participants from your division to attend this seminar-workshops on Official Time.

Finally, we look forward to be given the opportunity to serve the Division of Catanduanes. Rest assured of our sincere commitment to strengthen the research capability and research productivity of the basic education teachers in this division.

Thank you for your attention to this request. You may reach us through our secretariat at 0917 710 2423 (Globe); 0947 992 6385 (Smart); or email us at trainings@anakbase.org.

Sincerely,

SOCORRO AQUINIA, PhD
President, A&A Knowledge Base Research

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TO: All Public Schools District Supervisors
All Elementary & Secondary School Heads
All Research Enthusiasts

For your information and widest dissemination.

SOCORRO V. DELA ROSA, CESO V
Schools Division Superintendent
National Seminar-Workshop on Promoting Substantive Pedagogy through Action Research

Module 1: Developing Action Research Plans for Continuous Improvement in Teaching Practices
A&A Trainings, 2019 Quarter 3

Program Description:
This seminar-workshop is the first module in a three-module series which aims to promote research and teaching nexus in Philippine basic and higher education systems by mainstreaming the conduct of action research. Specifically, the series envisions to empower teacher-practitioners to conduct systematic examination of their respective practices, thereby undergoing the cycle of gaining insights, developing a reflective practice, effecting positive change, and most of all, improving learning outcomes.

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Resource Speakers

Maricar S. Prudente, PhD
Dr. Prudente is currently a Full Professor at the Science Education Department of De La Salle University Manila. She was the Director of the Lasallian Institute for Development and Educational Research (LIDER), the research institute of the College of Education of DLSU Manila for nine academic years (from 2006-2012 and from 2013-2016). She is also the founding organizer and Chair of ARAL (Action Research Action Learning) the first International Action Research Congress in the country, which started in 2013. Aside from her interests in Environmental Chemistry and Ecotoxicology, Dr. Prudente is a staunch advocate of Action research as a potent mechanism in educational reforms. For the past six years she has been actively involved in the Action Research Training of teachers and education professionals in the basic education with the Department of Education and with the State Colleges and Universities in the country. Currently, she sits as Division Chair of Division 1: Educational, Governmental and International Policies Division of the NRCP and as a member of the NRCP Governing Board. A prolific researcher, to date, Dr. Prudente has published in ISI and Scopus-indexed journals more than a hundred research articles in the field of environmental chemistry, ecotoxicology and science education, where she has accumulated 4,154 citations with a current h-index of 31. For this, Dr. Prudente has been consistently recognized as one of the top scientists in the country. Dr. Prudente was the recipient of the 2015 Lifetime Research Achievement Award given by the National Research Council of the Philippines (NRCP) for her significant contribution in the advancements of Science and Science Education in the country. Recently she was also awarded the 2018 DOST-SPS Outstanding Research Fellow in the field of Education. With her track record and involvement in Action Research, she co-authored together with Prof. Mary Brydon-Miller and Dr. Socorro Aguja - the chapter on Action Research in the 2017 International Handbook on Educational Research published by the British Educational Research Association (BERA) and SAGE Publications.

Prof. Jovito C. Anito, Jr.
Prof. Anito is currently the training director of the A&A Knowledge Base Research Consultancy and Training, Inc., and Asst. Professorial Lecturer of the Science Education Department, De La Salle University. He is an advocate of educational action research, having been in various regions in the country, training basic and higher education teacher-practitioners, how to properly conduct each stage of the action research cycle. He is a regular member of the National Research Council of the Philippines (NRCP), Educational, Governmental, and International Policies division. He has been engaged in various externally-funded research projects under the Lasallian Institute for Development and Educational Research (LIDER), the research institute of the De La Salle University College of Education. Currently, he is a University Research Consultant of the José Rizal University, Mandaluyong City and member of the Editorial board of various journals in the country.

Socorro Aguja, PhD
For being a consistent scholar and very active research involvement, Dr. Aguja was the 2016 recipient of the Lifetime National Achievement Award in Research given by the National Research Council of the Philippines (NRCP). Currently, Dr. Aguja is the President of the A&A Knowledge Base Research Consultancy and Training Inc, a private research and training organization that focuses on mainstreaming the conduct of action research among teacher-practitioners in the country. Since 2013, Dr. Aguja has been actively involved in the capacity-building of teachers on Action Research both in the basic education level of the Department of Education and in the tertiary level with some of the State Universities and Colleges (SUCs) as well as with some private school. A prolific researcher, Dr. Aguja has published in several ISI- and Scopus-indexed journals in the field of horticulture, environmental science, and action research in science education. With her track record and involvement on Action Research, she co-authored together with Prof. Mary Brydon-Miller and Prof. Maricar Prudente - the chapter on Action Research in the 2017 International Handbook on Educational Research published by the British Educational Research Association (BERA) and SAGE Publications. Presently, Dr. Aguja is the Vice Dean of the Graduate School of De La Salle Araneta University.
### Schedule and Registration

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Registration fee covers daily lunch and snacks (AM/PM), and workshop materials and handouts. Hotel accommodation is NOT included in the registration fee. All registration fees are non-refundable but paid slots may be reassigned to others.

### Payment and Registration Instructions

1. Payment of registration fees for A&A trainings is mainly through its Security Bank Account. Payments may likewise be made via Palawan Pera Padala and Cebuana Lhuillier. Sending cost however will be shouldered by the sender.

2. Bank details are as follows:
   a. Bank Name: Security Bank
   b. Account Name: A&A Knowledge Base Research Consultancy and Training Inc.
   c. Acct. Type: Checking (Current)
   d. Acct No.: 0000-0022-4478-2

3. Notes
   a. For check payments, checks must be payable to A&A Knowledge Base Research Consultancy and Training Inc.
   b. Payments via Palawan and Cebuana must be named to:
      Pamela S. Rubi-Anito (Training Assistant)
      Contact No.: 09177102423
      Address: 7224 M. Ocampo St., Pio del Pilar, Makati City

4. Instructions to Report Payments
   a. Inform the secretariat immediately after payment to verify payment and confirm your registration. Please text the following information to 09177102423:
      a. complete name of participant/s
      b. email address of each participant
      c. mobile number of each participant
      d. PRC License No. and Expiry Date
      e. TIN (for OR)
      f. training date and venue
      g. the branch code (for bank account payments) or Reference No. for Palawan/Lhuillier payments
      h. date and time of payment
      i. amount paid

   Note: You will receive an SMS confirming your registration after verification/recon of payments.