Procurement of Service Provider for Individual and Household Focus Group Discussions for the Analysis of PCC Cases and Other Research Initiatives

CONTRACT AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made on the ____ day 13 SEP 2023 2023 (the "Agreement") between the **Philippine Competition Commission**, with office address at 25/F Vertis North Corporate Center Tower 1, North Avenue, Quezon City, represented herein by its OIC Executive Director, **Atty.Joseph Melvin B. Basas** (hereinafter referred to as the "Entity"), and **The All-Asian Centre for Enterprise Development (ASCEND), Inc**, with office address at 5th Flr ATC Corporate Center, Madrigal Business Park, Ayala Alabang, Muntinlupa City, represented herein by its President, **Atty. Rodrigo O. Celicious** (hereinafter referred to as the "Consultant") (collectively herein referred to as the "Parties");

WHEREAS, the Entity is desirous in engaging the services of a Consultant, particularly for the ***Procurement of Service Provider for Individual and Household Focus Group Discussions for the Analysis of PCC Cases and Other Research Initiatives*** (the "Consulting Services") and has accepted a bid by the Consultant for the execution and completion of the Consulting Services in the sum of ***One Million Nine Hundred Two Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Pesos Only (PhP1,902,880.00)*** inclusive of all applicable charges and taxes (the "Contract Price").

NOW THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSETH AS FOLLOWS:

1. In this Agreement, words and expressions shall have the same meanings as are respectively assigned to them in the Conditions of Contract referred to.

2. The following documents as required by the 2016 revised Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 9184 shall be deemed to form and be read and construed as integral part of this Agreement, *viz.*:

   i. Request for Proposal;

   ii. Schedule of Requirements;

   iii. Terms of Reference;

   iv. Notice of Award of Contract and the Consultant's conforme thereto; and

   v. Other contract documents that may be required by existing laws and/or the Procuring Entity concerned in the Philippine Bidding Documents.

   The Consultant agrees that additional contract documents or information prescribed by the Government Policy Procurement Board that may be required for submission after the contract execution, such as the Notice to Proceed, Variation Orders, and Warranty Security, shall likewise form part of the Agreement.

3. In consideration of the Contract Price or such other sums as may be ascertained, the Consultant agrees to provide the consultancy services and to remedy the defects therein in conformity with the provisions of this Agreement in accordance with its bid.

4. The Entity agrees to pay the Consultant, in consideration of the provision of the required consultancy services, the Contract Price or such other sum as may become payable under the provisions of this Agreement in the time and manner prescribed, and in accordance with the terms of the bid.

5. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which when executed shall be deemed to be an original and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a

signature page to this Agreement shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Agreement.

IN WITNESS whereof, the Parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed in accordance with the laws of the Republic of the Philippines on the day and year first above written.

For the PHILIPPINE COMPETITION COMMISSION	THE ALL-ASIAN CENTRE FOR ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT, INC.
By: [redacted]	By: [redacted]
JOSEPH MELVIN B. BASAS OIC Executive Director & Head of the Procuring Entity	RODRIGO O. CELICIOUS President

WITNESSES:

[redacted]	[redacted]
BENJAMIN E. RADOC JR. Director IV, Economics Office	

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES) S.S.
PARAÑAQUE CITY)

SECOND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Before me, a notary public for and in PARAÑAQUE CITY, this 13 SEP 2023, 2023, personally appeared the following:

Name	Competent Evidence of Identity	Date/Place Issued
RODRIGO O. CELICIOUS	Passport P4403891B	January 16, 2020 DFA NCR South

Known to me or identified by me through competent evidence of identity to be the same person who executed the foregoing Contract Agreement consisting of two (2) pages, excluding its Annexes and the page on which this Acknowledgment is written, and acknowledged to me that the same is her free and voluntary act and deed, as well as that of her principal.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL, on the date and in the place first above written.

[redacted]

ATTY. JOSE MARI ANGELO A. DIONIO, CPA
Notary Public for Parañaque City
1st Floor, No. 84 Doña Soledad Avenue,
Barangay Don Bosco, Parañaque City
Not. Com. No. 254-2023, Until December 31, 2024;
Lifetime Member No. 015111; 06/13/2016; Pasig City
PTR No. 3199405; 01/03/2023; Parañaque City
Roll No. 66641
MCLE No. VII-0022146; 04/14/2025

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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES) S.S.
QUEZON CITY)

FIRST ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Before me, a notary public for and in Quezon City, this _____ 2023, personally appeared the following:

Name	Competent Evidence of Identity	Date/Place Issued
JOSEPH MELVIN B. BASAS	Driver's License No. H02-98-046707	Quezon City

Known to me or identified by me through competent evidence of identity to be the same person who executed the foregoing Contract Agreement consisting of two (2) pages, excluding its Annexes and the page on which this Acknowledgment is written, and acknowledged to me that the same is his free and voluntary act and deed, as well as that of his principal.

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NOTICE TO PROCEED

11 September 2023

ATTY. RODRIGO O. CELICIOUS
President
The All-Asian Centre for Enterprise Development, Inc.
5th Flr ATC Corporate Center, Madrigal Business Park,
Ayala Alabang, Muntinlupa City

Dear **Atty. Celicious:**

This refers to the Notice of Award to ***The All-Asian Centre for Enterprise Development (ASCEND), Inc.,*** for the ***Procurement of Service Provider for Individual and Household Focus Group Discussions for the Analysis of PCC Cases and Other Research Initiatives*** in the total amount of ***One Million Nine Hundred Two Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Pesos Only (PhP1,902,880.00)*** inclusive of all applicable taxes.

In relation thereto, notice is hereby given to ***ASCEND, Inc.,*** that the implementation of the said engagement shall commence immediately. You are expected to perform the terms and conditions stipulated in the attached Contract Agreement.

Please acknowledge receipt of this notice by signing at the portion provided below. Keep a copy and return the original copy to this office at the soonest.

For further details, please contact the PBAC Secretariat through the following contact details: (a) email: procurement@phcc.gov.ph or procurementunit@phcc.gov.ph and (b) Tel. No. (+632) 8771-9722 local 203/204.

Thank you.

Very sincerely,

[redacted]

ATTY. JOSEPH MELVIN B. BASAS
OIC Executive Director and
Head of the Procuring Entity

[redacted]

Conforme:

RODRIGO O. CELICIOUS
Date: 9/13/23

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