# San Carlos City Rural and Urban Governance 2019 and Beyond

Consultancy / Professional services

Location : Bacolod City

Date : November 2018

Client : San Carlos City

Development Board

(SCDB)

## **Project partners**

SCDB

JF Ledesma Foundation

## Funding support

SCDB

#### Contract / agreement value

PHP 30.000



San Carlos City local government officials, led by the city mayor, attend the two-day workshop on liveable cities

## **Project brief**

TAO-Pilipinas extended capability-building assistance to the San Carlos Development Board (SCDB) of San Carlos City in Negros Occidental in 2018. SCDB is a multi-sectoral, non-government organization that coordinates and oversees the implementation of the San Carlos City Master Development Plan. In 2011, San Carlos City was declared as the second most livable city in the world for a population not exceeding 150,000 by the International Awards for Livable Communities (2011 LivCom Awards). After 7 years, the city is priming itself to sustain development gains.

TAO and SCDB jointly conducted a workshop that oriented participants on the liveable cities framework for governance and sustainable development goals. The two-day activity was held on November 12-13, 2018 in Bacolod City and facilitated with JF Ledesma Foundation. It was participated by a small group of city department executives led by San Carlos City Mayor Gerardo Valmayor Jr. The workshop served as a preparatory activity for the city officials ahead of a planned partnership with the Center for Liveable Cities (CLC) Singapore for capability development and advisory support.

In the learning sessions, TAO acquainted participants on the principles of integrated master planning and development and dynamic urban governance as advocated by CLC. Focus group discussions also tackled the development issues and concerns of the city and how local government interventions and legislative priorities align with sustainable development goals and the livable cities framework. Post-workshop, TAO assisted SCDB in developing an evaluation tool for the selection of city officials to become delegates in the CLC Singapore conference.

## Project outputs

- Presentation tools and workshop module / program
- Evaluation tool

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