

## Enabling Blue Energy Development in the Philippines: Some Initiatives in Mindanao

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### **The Philippine Context**

- Total coastline of **37,008 km**—longer than the coastlines of China (14,500 km), United States (19,924 km), and Japan (29,751 km).
- Total coastal population of the country is estimated at 60 million or **55 percent** of its total population, covering more than half of the municipalities and cities.
- Based on primary and available secondary data, the marine ecosystems (excluding the continental shelf) can contribute a conservative monetary value of US\$ 966.6 billion to the economy. (Azanza 2017)



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### THE TOP 5 REGIONS INFISHERIES PRODUCTION January to March 2022 period (1st Quarter) CENTRAL

LUZON 97,440.19 MT WESTERN VISAYAS 73,772.01 MT

SOCCSKSARGEN 67,178.25 MT

**Philippine Statistics Aut** 

BARMM 327,621.61 MT

ZAMBOANGA PENINSULA 121,472.53 MT

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## Mindanao in the world!

**#World's Top 3 Banana Exporter** 

**#World's Top 3 Seaweeds Exporter** 

**#World's Top 4 Pineapple Exporter** 

**#World's Top 7 Rubber Producer** 

**#World's Top 8 Tuna Producer** 



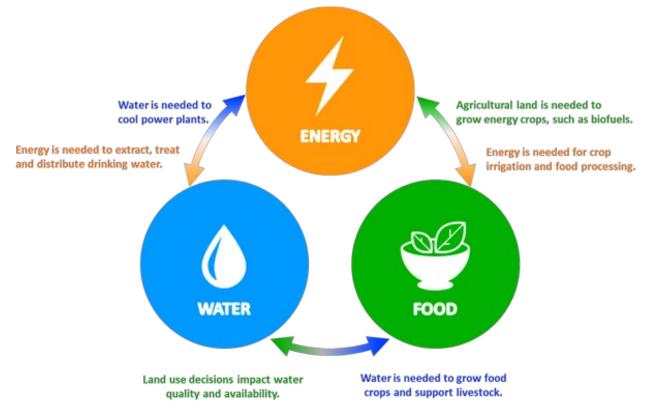
# Blue Energy supports the path to Mindanao's Energy Transition



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## Integrated Approach: Water-Energy-Food Nexus

Paying equal attention to the interdependencies between water, energy, food and the climate.





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"The use of renewable energy is at the top of our climate agenda. We will increase our use of renewable energy sources..." - President Ferdinand Marcos, Jr. at his 1<sup>st</sup> State of the Nation

Address in 2022





# Linking Renewable Energy to Mindanao's Agri-Fisheries Value Chain



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### TAWI-TAWI: Philippines' Gateway to the Brunei-Indonesia-Malaysia-Philippines East Asian Growth Area (BIMP-EAGA)





### Leads BARMM in producing the country's seaweeds output

 Ten of the eleven municipalities of Tawi-Tawi produce seaweeds that comprise ¼ of the country's production



Renewable Energy Technology to Increase the Value-added of Seaweeds in Tawi-tawi (RETS Project) - A Business Case for other Offgrid Islands



600 Kilowatt (Kw) Solar PV + Battery Energy Storage System for the Island Municipality of Sibuto



1 Megawatt (MW) Solar PV + Battery Storage System + High Speed Diesel Generator for the Island Municipality of Sitangkai











# **The Way Forward**



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### **BLUE** ECONOMY

Blue Economy refers to the sustainable use of ocean resources for economic growth, improve livelihoods, and ocean system health.

It encompasses many activities.



RENEWABLE ENERGY Sustainable marine energy can play a vital role in social and economic development.

#### FISHERIES

Marine fisheries contribute more than **US\$ 270 billion** annually to global GDP. More sustainable fisheries can generate more revenue, more fish and help restore fish stocks.



MARITIME TRANSPORT Over 80& of international goods traded are transported by sea and volume of seaborne trade is expected to double by 2030 and quadruple by 2050.



#### TOURISM

Ocean and coastal tourism can bring jobs and economic growth. Coastal least developed country and small island developing states receive more than **41 million visitors per year** 

#### **CLIMATE CHANGE**

The impact of climate change on oceans-rising sea levels, coastal erosions, changing ocean current patterns, and acidification are staggering. At the same time, oceans are an important carbon sink and help mitigate climate change.

#### WASTE MANAGEMENT

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80% of the litter in the ocean comes from land-based sources. Better waste management on land can help oceans recover.

Source: The World Bank Group



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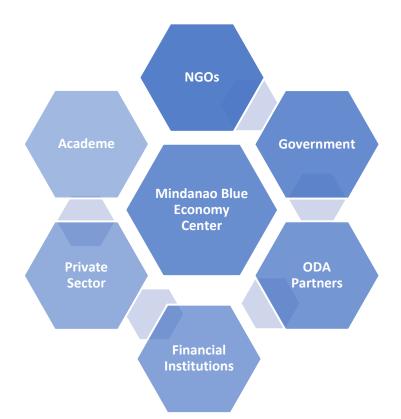


# Goal

 To ultimately mainstream and establish Mindanao Blue
Economy Hub as a vehicle for sustainable development, energy transition and access, and improve overall human well-being in Mindanao.



### MINDANAO BLUE ECONOMY DEVELOPMENT HUB



The Hub aims to address the challenges in mitigating oceans pollution and adapting to climate change impacts by:

- A. accelerating the development of a *pipeline* of 'blue' projects that improve the sustainability and conservation of the region's oceans, water bodies and marine ecosystems
- B. catalyzing a large *flow of capital* from both public and private sources into well designed blue projects

#### Integrating **MINDANAO**

# **Tapping The Green Force**













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#### The Green Force has 18 members,

which include financial regulators like the Securities and **Exchange Commission and Insurance Commission; and** agencies such as the Climate Change Commission, National Economic and Development Authority, Department of Energy, and Department of Environment and Natural Resources.





















National Economic and

Development Authority



Public-Private

Partnership Center



Exchange Commission





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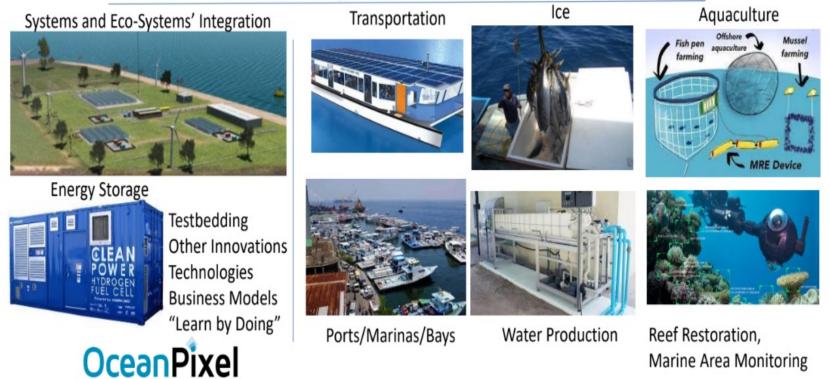
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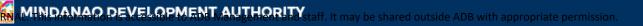


### **Potential Pilot Projects**



Ocean/Marine Renewable Energy: Marine Solar, Offshore Wind, Tidal In-Stream, Wave







### Sustainable Integrated Development for Islands & Coasts











Green Maritime Ecosystem – Ports, Vessels, Aquaculture, Desalination, Water, Ice/Cooling ++



Renewable Energy + Green Transport

- + Aquaculture + Water Production
- + Freezing/Cooling + Local Content

OceanPix

+ Other Sustainable Initiatives

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# Resource assessment



Design and Performance Evaluation of an Ocean Renewable Energy System





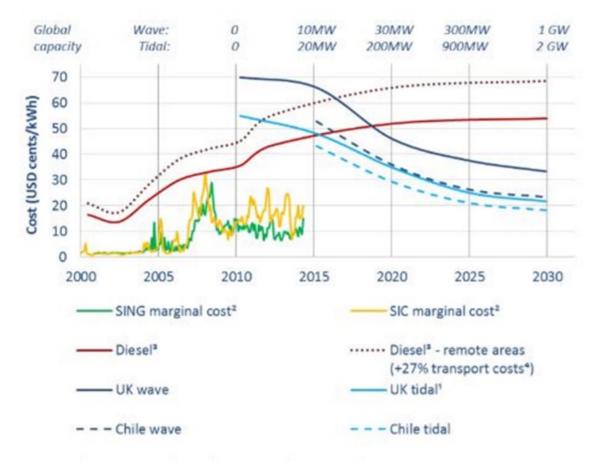








### Wave and tidal



#### Sources: 'Carbon Trust; <sup>2</sup>CNE; <sup>3</sup>World Bank/Bloomberg; <sup>4</sup>Chilean Ministry of Energy

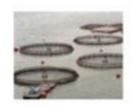
#### Marine energy markets:



LONG TERM Grid electricity



MEDIUM TERM Diesel replacement; water pumping and desalination



SHORT TERM Remote diesel replacement



## **Key Takeaways**

- **1. Harnessing the ocean energy potential**
- 2. Upscaling the early stages of development
- 3. Addressing technology challenges
- 4. Breaking the barrier: high initial capital costs
- 5. Adhering to regulatory environment
- 6. Pursuing active local community engagement
- 7. Integrating capacity building and development
- 8. Leveraging on regional cooperation







Achieving energy transition is going to be a challenging task, but possible when we work TOGETHER as a One.





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