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7TH SOCIAL JUSTICE FORUM

Attached is a communication from Virgilio V. Dolina, Jr., Managing Partner, Adrem Projects Co. Ltd., inviting participants to the **7th Social Justice Forum** (SJF2026) anchored on the theme: *"Algorithmic Justice: Strengthening Standards for Transparent and Inclusive Service Delivery"* on February 20, 2026 at Savoy Hotel Manila, Pasay City.

The details of the requested engagement are in the attached communication.

Considering that this is an Advisory, Schools Division Superintendents are given the discretion to act on this matter.

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TO   Regional Directors and Schools Division Superintendents
Department of Education

RE   Participation in the 7th Social Justice Forum - Philippines:
Strengthening Standards for Transparent and Inclusive Service Delivery

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Warm greetings from the SJF2026 Secretariat!

In observance of the World Day of Social Justice, we are organizing the **7th Social Justice Forum** (SJF2026) on **February 20, 2026** at **Savoy Hotel Manila, Pasay City**, with theme, *"Algorithmic Justice: Strengthening Standards for Transparent and Inclusive Service Delivery."*

SJF2026 aims to bring together leaders from government, academia, and the business sector to unpack the emerging challenges and opportunities of algorithm-assisted decision-making.

In this regard, we respectfully invite your office, personnel, schools and students under your jurisdiction to participate in the forum. If deemed appropriate, we also request the issuance of an advisory to encourage participation.

Each participant is required to preregister at bit.ly/sjf2026 and contribute for the buffet lunch, snacks, and certificates, as follows:

Early Registration (until January 30, 2026):   Php 2,500.00
Regular Registration (until February 13, 2026):   Php 2,800.00
Official Receipt/Service Invoice will be issued on the day of the forum.

For your reference, we have attached the provisional program and the links to our organizational documents. For inquiries or clarifications, please feel free to contact the SJF2026 Secretariat.
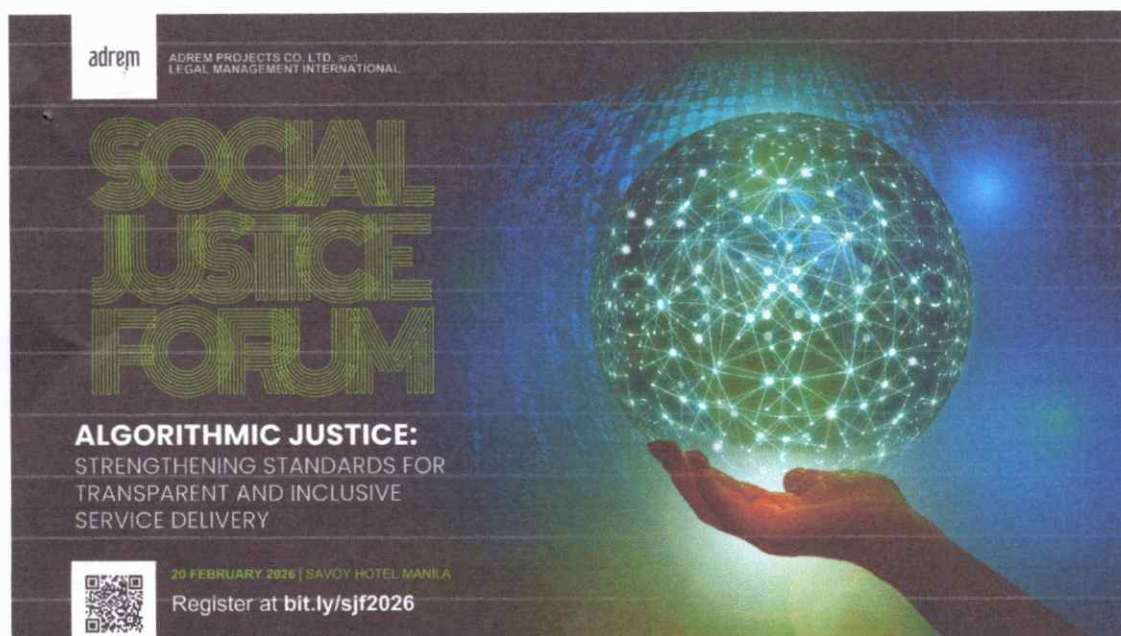
Thank you very much for your support and cooperation.

Respectfully,

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ALGORITHMIC JUSTICE:
STRENGTHENING STANDARDS FOR
TRANSPARENT AND INCLUSIVE
SERVICE DELIVERY

20 FEBRUARY 2026 | SAVOY HOTEL MANILA
Register at **bit.ly/sjf2026**

BACKGROUND

The rapid integration of digital systems, data analytics, and artificial intelligence into government and organizational processes has transformed how services are delivered to the public. While these technologies offer powerful tools for efficiency and expanded reach, they also raise critical issues related to fairness, transparency, data protection, and accountability. In public-sector environments, where decisions significantly impact rights, access, and social equity, ensuring "algorithmic justice" has become both a moral imperative and a governance requirement.

SJF2026 aims to bring together leaders from government, academia, and the business sector to unpack the emerging challenges and opportunities of algorithm-assisted decision-making. By understanding global standards, national policies, and practical implementation frameworks, this forum will help institutions strengthen their service delivery practices and align with principles of transparency, inclusiveness, and ethical AI governance.

This year's forum supports organizations in navigating mandated digital transformation and risk-management initiatives, while ensuring that technological progress is anchored in social justice, human rights, and equitable access for all.

OBJECTIVES

1. Enhance understanding of algorithmic justice and its implications for fairness, transparency, and inclusiveness in service delivery.
2. Equip participants with practical tools and standards for ethical AI, data governance, and responsible digital decision-making in their respective institutions.
3. Develop actionable outputs, including assessments, guidelines, and components of an Algorithmic Justice Action Plan, that participants can apply to strengthen their organization's service delivery systems.

PARTICIPANTS

- Educators and student leaders, particularly from IT, Data Science, Public Administration, Social Sciences, and Governance-related courses.
- Government officials and digital governance officers, including personnel involved in ICT, data privacy, planning, public service delivery, and regulatory functions.
- Business leaders and compliance/risk management officers, especially those overseeing data governance, digital transformation, and service quality.

OUTPUTS

1. Institutional Algorithmic Justice Assessment - a brief profile identifying current AI/digital systems, risks, and equity considerations.

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2. Draft Ethical AI & Data Governance Guidelines - initial principles or standards tailored to each institution.
3. Action Plan Components for strengthening transparency, fairness, and inclusiveness in service delivery.

MILESTONES

- *Empowering Inclusive Communities through E-Government and Digital Cities*
  February 22, 2025 - Kingsford Hotel Manila

- *Community Involvement towards Sustainable Peace, Prosperity, and Planet*
  May 11, 2024 - Kingsford Hotel Manila

- *Democracy*
  February 16, 2019 - Hotel Jen Manila by Shangri-La

- *Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions*
  February 20, 2018 - Hotel Jen Manila by Shangri-La

- *Equal Opportunities Within and Between Generations*
  February 18, 2017 - Cultural Center of the Philippines

- *World Day of Social Justice*
  February 20, 2016 - Cultural Center of the Philippines

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM (see updated program at bit.ly/sjf2026agenda)

07:30   Check-in and Connect

08:00   National Anthem and Invocation

08:10   Introduction, Overview, and Objectives

08:15   **Output 1a:** *Where does my institution use digital or automated decision systems?*

08:30   **Welcome Address and Cultural Presentation:**

> HON. IMELDA CALIXTO-RUBIANO (ACKNOWLEDGED)
> Mayor, Pasay City

08:45   **Keynote Address:** *Strengthening Standards for Transparent and Inclusive Service Delivery*

> HON. JUAN MIGUEL F. ZUBIRI (ACKNOWLEDGED)
> Senator, 20th Congress of the Philippines
>
> MR. CHRISTOPHE BAHUET (ACKNOWLEDGED)
> Resident Representative, United Nations Development Programme - Philippines

09:15   Snacks and Socialization

09:30   **Panel Discussion 1:** *Understanding Algorithmic Justice*

> ATTY. JOHANN CARLOS S. BARCENA, CESO III (ACKNOWLEDGED)
> Chairperson, National Privacy Commission
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> USEC. CLAIRE DENNIS S. MAPA, Ph.D. (ACKNOWLEDGED)
> National Statistician and Civil Registrar General, Philippine Statistics Authority
>
> MR. JUANITO VICTOR C. REMULLA (ACKNOWLEDGED)
> Secretary, Department of Interior and Local Government

10:30   **Output 1b:** *Institutional Algorithmic Justice Assessment*

11:00   **Panel Discussion 2:** *Building Ethical AI and Data Governance Standards*

> DR. RENATO U. SOLIDUM, JR. (CONFIRMED)
> Secretary, Department of Science and Technology
> Represented by: **DR. FRANZ A. DE LEON**

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ATTY. FREDDERICK A. VIDA (INVITED)
Secretary, Department of Justice

ATTY. MARILYN BARUA-YAP, DPA (ACKNOWLEDGED)
Chairperson, Civil Service Commission

12:00   Lunch, Link, and Learn

01:00   **Output 2:** *Institutional Ethical AI & Data Governance Principles*

01:30   **Panel Discussion 3:** *Strengthening Transparent and Inclusive Service Delivery*

MR. REX GATCHALIAN (ACKNOWLEDGED)
Secretary, Department of Social Welfare and Development

ATTY. ERNESTO V. PEREZ, CPA (CONFIRMED)
Director General, Anti-Red Tape Authority

ATTY. GAMALIEL ASIS CORDOBA (ACKNOWLEDGED)
Chairperson, Commission on Audit

02:30   **Output 3:** *Action Plan Components*

Presentation of Action Plans:
Insights and Recommendations
Synthesis and Common Pathways

05:00   Looking Back and Looping In

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