

## Technology Pitch Day Held

The URS Intellectual Property Office (IPO) in collaboration with Project 1C - Enhancing the Intellectual Property and Technology Business Management (IPTBM) in URS spearheaded the URS Technology and Innovation Pitch Day 2023 on October 20 via Zoom.

The event highlighted the potential technology developed by each URS campus for promotion to prospective adopters or investors. The activity presented the outputs of the faculty during the re-echo workshop on IP Master Class, Technology Promotion and Commercialization. The said activity paved the way for potential technologies and innovation within the University to prepare for the regional and national technology pitch day by the DOST-PCAARRD. The activity likewise allowed faculty and student researchers to showcase their research outputs and technology and their potential contribution to the development of science and technology in URS and the country. It aimed to determine the potential assets of the University that can be pitched in the form of a technology, product, or process. Any IP that has the potential for commercialization will be looked into for IP rights registration and technology transfer initiatives and packaged for a corresponding IP rights registration filing with the IPOPHIL.

Two competitions were conducted. URS TechTalk, catered to student-researchers promoting their respective technologies, and the Local Technology Pitching catered to faculty-researchers. Engr. Joshua Tejada from the College of Engineering with his TRAINURS: MCU-MAM400 Portable won first

## Funes Ranks 9<sup>th</sup> in Fisheries Test; 7 Others Pass

Maria Tacianne Funes ranked 9<sup>th</sup> in the Licensure Examination for Fisheries Professional (LEFP) in the October 2023 PRC Examination. With her are other passers: Franz Rasty Bautista, James Ryan Dizon, Jan Terrance Halina, Ma. Anna Llaneta, Jerry Ann Navarro, Ivy Clariz Silayan, and John Denver Vocal from Cardona Campus - College of Fisheries.



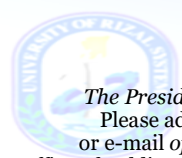
Funes, a magna cum laude graduate of Batch 2017 in URS Cardona campus, garnered a rating of 84.50%. She currently works at the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR).

These eight passers from URS are part of the 716 successful examinees out of the 2,124 takers. //~JLG/JFa



place in Technology Pitching. Likewise, URS Tanay won with its "Semi-Automated Portable Mango Sizer" for the TechTalk: Technology Oriented Knowledge Competition.

The event was hosted by the Extension and Production Units of the Research Development, Extension, and Production (RDEP) division. The event is an annual activity aimed at supporting the URS IP Office and Project 1C's advocacy on enhancing the intellectual property and technology business management of the University. // ~CRRones



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## NREACH Highlights R & D for iGeneration

The University of Rizal System held the National Research and Extension Advocacy Conference for Change (NREACH) with the theme "Redesigning Opportunities in Advancing Research and Development and Extension for the iGeneration" at the URS Tanay Campus, Tanay, Rizal, for on-site participants and via Zoom for online attendees on November 15-17.

The goal of the event is to provide a meaningful avenue where scholarly minds can meet and connect for knowledge sharing and partnership in conducting multidisciplinary collaborative research. This consists of different parallel sessions under the research and extension categories.

The research category included other subcategories such as education innovation, humanities, social sciences and business, mental health, and psychology, climate change, agriculture and natural science, engineering, and technology. The extension category included food production and safety, sustainable agriculture, social equity, gender awareness development, poverty alleviation, and environmental preservation.

The conference is in collaboration with the Department of Science and Technology-Region IV-A (DOST IV-A), the Philippine-American Academy of Science and Engineering (PAASE), the Philippine Educational Measurement and Evaluation Association (PEMEA), the Philippine Extension and Advisory Services Network Inc. (PhilEASNet), the Francisco and Enriqueta Angeles Science Memorial Fund, and the Farmers Information and Technology Services (FITS) Centers-Rizal.

For the complete set of winners, please see <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1eK7fj4F8IFN6TnKz4p6GfhXyuuu1Xlcl/view>. ~EBR/JFa



## Faculty, Staff Take Oath; Onboarding Program Done

A total of 51 newly promoted faculty members and non-teaching staff have officially taken their Oath of Office and attended their onboarding program as part of the 2017 Omnibus Rules on Appointments and Other Human Resources Actions (ORA-OHRA) at the Audio-visual Education Center (AVEC) URS-Morong, Morong, Rizal on October 20.

The oath-taking program began with welcome remarks from Dr. Marvin Amoin, Vice President for Administration and Finance, followed by the congratulatory message of Dr. Allan Conde, Vice President for Academic Affairs, and the administration of oath by Dr. Nancy Pascual, University President, and Dr. Nelson Gonzales, Director of Office of Administrative Services.

Prof. Clarissa Marino, the Supervising Administrative Officer and Head of the Accounting Unit, explained the employee benefits. At the same time, the University Human Resource personnel Jerwin Patangui, Dalia Joy Llanes, Irish Albos, and John Joseph Ojascastro discussed the recruitment, selection, procedure, probationary period, requirements for appointment preparation, learning and development procedures, and performance management system. For the list of appointees, please see <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1Kg2xIjjwucL-dcB2cB5MsY5JfB55Rog0?usp=sharing>. // ~JFa



## URSSF Hosts Bloodletting

The University of Rizal System Student Federation (URSSF) in partnership with the Philippine Red Cross Rizal Chapter held its URSSF Bloodletting Activity 2023 at the Function Hall, URS Morong Campus on October 4.

Lastly, the URSSF expressed gratitude for the collaborative efforts of various organizations, namely Rotaract Club of Cardona, Rotaract Club of Lakeshore of Rizal, Rotaract Club of East System College of Rizal, Rotaract Club of Morong SIC, Rotaract Club of Tomas Claudio Colleges, and the Red Cross Rizal Chapter. They also thanked the University's key officials, including the President, Dr. Nancy Pascual; the OSDS Director, Prof. Ruby San Juan; the Vice President for Academic Affairs, Dr. Allan Conde, and URS – Morong Campus Director Dr. Xenia Canale for their support and guidance that contributed for the success of the project. // ~ JFa

## URS Wins 7th STRASUC Culture, Arts Fest

To celebrate cultural diversity and unification through the arts, the Southern Tagalog Regional Association of State Universities and Colleges (STRASUC) held the 7th Culture and Arts Festival at the Occidental Mindoro State College (OMSC) on October 16-17. The event was attended by 12 state universities and colleges from Regions IV-A and IV-B.

Twelve participating state colleges and universities namely, Batangas State University (BSU), Cavite State University (CvSU), Laguna State Polytechnic University (LSPU), Southern Luzon State University (SLSU), University of the

Philippines - Los Baños (UPLB), University of Rizal System (URS), Marinduque State College (MSU), and Mindoro State College in San Jose, Occidental Mindoro, this year's venue for the event.

URS brought home awards for the following categories: Instrumental Solo, Violin, First Place; Instrumental Solo, Classic Guitar, First; Poster-making, Second; Vocal Duet, Third; Short and Sweet Play, Fourth; and, Photography, Fifth Place.

This year's theme is "Pag-usahon para sa Sining: A Celebration of Multiculturalism." // JFa



**STRASUC Fest.** URS wins in the recently concluded culture and arts festival.

## Mercado, Dejarlo Cop Guronasyon Plum



**MERCADO**



**DEJARLO**

Fourteen from a total of 42 elementary, secondary, and tertiary school teachers, school heads, and personnel from the DepEd City Schools Division of Antipolo and the Division of Rizal, University of Rizal System, and the TESDA Rizal Office were chosen for being the best in their respective categories during the annual Guronasyon Awards held on December 1.

The contestants underwent a rigid selection process consisting of a local search, selection, and nomination, review of qualifications, and interview of finalists. The contenders were judged based on their personal qualities and character, instructional competence and teaching effectiveness, and, professional and community involvement. The result of the final judging was comprised of 50% from the local search, selection, and nomination, and 50% from the final judging. Guronasyon honored the teachers and heads by presenting them with the following awards: Most Outstanding Elementary School Teacher, Most Outstanding Secondary School Teacher, Most Outstanding Elementary School Principal, Most Outstanding Secondary School Principal, Most Outstanding Tek-Bok Trainer, Most Outstanding Tek-Bok Administrator, Most Outstanding College Faculty, and Most Outstanding Academic Head.

Dr. Florante Mercado, Campus Director of URS-Rodriguez Campus, won the Most Outstanding Academic Head while Dr. Jenisus Dejarlo of the College of Education, URS-Morong Campus, won the Most Outstanding Faculty. // **AB Campo**

## URS Feted STAARRDEC 1st RRIW

The University of Rizal System (URS) showcased its innovative prowess at the Southern Tagalog Agriculture, Aquatic, and Natural Resources Research, Development, and Extension Consortium (STAARRDEC) 1st Regional Research Innovation Week (RRIW) with the theme "Catalyzing Regional Advancement through Research and Innovation" held on October 23-26, 2023 at Dioscoro L. Umali Auditorium, University of the Philippines Los Baños, Laguna.

URS made headlines by securing 1st place in the STAARRDEC Competition with its technology "SOLARIS: An Indoor Solar-Powered Aquaponics System," presented by Kim Andrea C. Garcia, a Mechanical Engineering student of URS-Morong. Various events had also been participated in: the 36th Regional Symposium on Research, Development, and Extension Highlight by Prof. Cyrene Navalta and Prof. Edwin Navalta with their research "Inventory of Bryophytes and Pteridophytes in the University of Rizal System Tanay Campus"; Student Congress by Engr. Rodalissa Quirre and Engr. Amabel Cruz with their technology "Semi-automated Portable Mango Sizer"; Technology Pitching by Engr. Merie Ann Dudang with her technology "URS Hybrid Coffee Seed Dryer"; Technology Expo by Ryan Guinto, Ricky Ulep, Noel Padios, and Danica Robles; Same Event Edit by Ella Mae Ramos, Kevin Aquino, and Marlon Alquiza; and the RAISE Summit by Dr. Marites Rio, Dr. Leo Rio, Danica Robles, Ella Mae Ramos, Christian Russel Rones, and Ryan Guinto.

Under the guidance of President Dr. Nancy Pascual and VP for RDEP Dr. Marites Rio, the URS delegation showcased its commitment to driving innovation and excellence in research, development, and extension, making its position as a leader in the field. // **EBR**

## Studes Fed Elects URSSF Officers

The annual University of Rizal System Student Federation (URSSF) election was held on October 25 at the Function Hall, URS-Morong. This was facilitated by the Student Organization Unit headed by Prof. Jonathan Luris of the University Office of Student Development Services (OSDS).



**URSSF.** Elected officers of the URS Student Federation (URSSF) take their oath.

Campus-elected student representatives from the ten campuses of the University vied for the different positions in the URSSF.

The newly elected officers are Kate Louise Matematico from Morong Campus, President; Ian Lonceras from Cainta Campus, Vice President for Internal Affairs; Dancel Encinares from Pililla Campus, Vice President for External Affairs; Joshua Mabanglo from Angono Campus, General Secretary; Jundy Corpuz from Binangonan Campus and Ronnie Morales from Antipolo City Campus, Deputy Secretaries; John Joshua Arcilla from Antipolo City Campus, Treasurer; Joeie Leanne Crismundo from Tanay Campus, Auditor; and, Al Peñafiel from Angono Campus and Christian Misolas from Rodriguez Campus, Public Relation Officers.

The oath-taking ceremony took place after the election to solidify their position as the AY 2023 - 2024 URSSF Officers. // **JFa**



**URS@RIIW.** Delegates to the First STAARRDEC Regional Research Innovation Week pose for a souvenir.