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## *From publication to public action,* **SIRC holds policy research workshop**

**H**oping to create policy outputs based on various research projects in the university, the Batangas State University's Social Innovation Research Center (SIRC) hosted a 4-day policy workshop, August 22-23 (virtual) and 25-26, 2022 at the Function Hall, CIRTC Building, Batangas State University Pablo Borbon Campus.

Entitled Transforming Research and Evidence to Policy Impact: Evidence-based and Futures-oriented Policymaking, Policy Networks, and Policy Communication Training Program, this workshop imparted the importance and processes of evidence-based and futures-oriented policymaking through various workshops. Participants were also able to develop research and policy agenda, as well as prepare policy pitches.

On the last day of the event, 6 policy outputs based on the research projects of the participants were pitched.

The pitching session serves as the culminating activity for the event as various personalities from NEDA, DICT, DILG, DOST, private sector, and academic institutions evaluated and commented on the delivered policy outputs.

"This was once a dream - now a reality. Through this workshop, we were able to prove that we can turn our research papers to policy outputs that can affect our communities," SIRC Head Dr. Vaberlie Mandane-Garcia said.

The Transforming Research and Evidence to Policy Impact workshop was in partnership with the University of the Philippines - National College of Public Administration and Governance (UP-NCPAG) Governance Futures Lab headed by its Program Director Dr. Reginald G. Ugaddan who also served as one of the speakers. The Dean of the Graduate School of Public and Development Management of the Development Academy of the Philippines, Dr. Lizan E. Perante-Calina, also served as a speaker and introduced the evidence-based and futures-oriented policymaking.

Before closing the event, it was revealed that two participants during the Policy Pitch session were invited by Dr. Ugaddan to attend a parallel session in the Eastern Regional Organization for Public Administration Virtual Conference 2022 on September 14-15 to present their papers.



**DREAM TEAM.** Both teams from SIRC, headed by Dr. Vaberlie Mandane-Garcia (third from left), and UP NCPAG GFL, headed by Dr. Reginald G. Ugaddan (fifth from left) took a group photo to commemorate the event.

