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TRADE UNIONS AND **Green Jobs** IN THE PHILIPPINES

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2. Related labor initiatives

THE TUCP

- Sits as labor sector representative in the Philippine Council on Sustainable Development (PCSD)
--PCSD is a multi-sectoral policy-recommending body on sustainable government
- Participates in Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) programs, such as conservation of marine ecosystem, reforestation, etc. in Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao

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THE TUCP

- Implements capacity building for trade unions on green jobs and decent work; Globally Harmonized System (GHS)
- Developed the TUCP guidelines “Towards Decent Work, Green Jobs and Sustainable Workplaces”
- Developed of TUCP action checklist on decent work and green jobs with 9 components and 39 check points -- *efficiency energy use, transportation practices, manufacturing practices, building structure, materials management, environmental protection, promoting green practices, decent work promotion and equity and gain sharing*

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THE TUCP provided labor inputs and/or submitted position papers on...

- the Philippine Statement, Rio+20 (Sustainable Dev't Conference) Regional Preparatory Meeting, Korea
- UN Questionnaire on Experiences, Success Factors, Risks and Challenges with regard to Objective and Themes of UN Council on Sustainable Dev't.
- Philippines' National Report for Conference on Sustainable Dev't 8 – on chemicals, waste management, sustainable consumption and production patterns, mining, transport
- Participated in the Philippines' Countdown to Rio+20 (preparatory Phil. national conference)
- Submitted “Just transition” position paper on the issue Aerial Spraying in banana plantations

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1. labor participation



The Philippines GJ project encourages and welcomes labor representation.

- TUCP** (*national labor center*),
- Federation of Free Workers (FFW)**
- Alliance of Progressive Labor (APL)**
- National Union of Building and Construction Workers (NUBCW)**
and other unions are engaged

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1. labor participation *(conti...)*



○ In 1st National Green Jobs Conference, 15-16 August 2011, Manila

--**TUCP and FFW were paper presentors and signatories to the GREEN CALL TO ACTION**



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In 5 capacity-building activities:

- In the Green Jobs Training at ILO Training Center, Turin Italy on 2010 --TUCP;
- First Roundtable Meeting on Green Jobs Initiative on April 2011 --FFW, APL, And NUBC
- Green Jobs Regional Training in Bangkok last February 2012 --TUCP, FFW and APL;
- Foundation Training on Green Jobs on July 2011 was – NINE (9) representatives from labor/trade unions
- ToT on Negotiating Skills for Green Collective Bargaining Agreements
 - 10 rollout trainings nationwide to orient workers on green skills with actions plans developed

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- Active engagement in the
Trainers' Training on Green Jobs Orientation and Negotiating Techniques for Workers, 10-12 May 2012, Tagaytay City

--my union (FUR-TUCP) will integrate green jobs provision in the next CBA for renewal.



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