



Legal Watch

FTSC, PEZA SIGN MOU TO DEEPEN CADET IMMERSION AND INVESTMENT PROMOTION



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SUMMARY

The DTI-FTSC and the Philippine Economic Zone Authority (PEZA) signed a Memorandum of Understanding on 02 October 2025 to strengthen cooperation in trade and investment promotion. The partnership formalizes a cadetship program that provides FTSC officers with structured, hands-on immersion in investment promotion and economic zone operations.

The initiative aims to enhance the capabilities of future trade diplomats through exposure to trade policy, investment facilitation, trade fairs, and industry development activities. It also strengthens coordination across DTI's overseas posts and supports broader efforts to position the Philippines as a competitive investment destination. The agreement is the first in a series of planned institutional partnerships under the FTSC Cadetship Program.

ACTIONABLE ADVICE

Investors and businesses should leverage economic zones as entry points for streamlined investment processes and incentives. Companies planning expansion should coordinate early with relevant agencies to understand registration, incentives, and compliance requirements.

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