



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY BOARD

**PSA Board Resolution 13
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**APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE
2017 PHILIPPINE STANDARD CLASSIFICATION OF EDUCATION**

WHEREAS, standard classification systems are used to achieve uniformity and comparability of statistics generated at the national and international levels;

WHEREAS, Republic Act 10625 mandates the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) to develop and prescribe uniform standards and classification systems in the generation of official statistics in the Philippine Statistical System (PSS) to ensure harmonization of statistics in the country, at the local, national and international levels;

WHEREAS, one of the classification systems being maintained by the PSA is the Philippine Standard Classification of Education (PSCED), which is based on the International Standard Classification of Education (ISCED), issued by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO);

WHEREAS, the 2008 PSCED which is currently used in the PSS is patterned after the 1997 ISCED developed by the UNESCO and no international revision has been issued from 1997 to 2010;

WHEREAS, in order to reflect new developments in education programs as well as training courses provided by educational and training institutions, the UNESCO released revised international classification through the 2011 ISCED and the 2013 ISCED Fields of Education and Training (ISCED-F);

WHEREAS, there is a need to revise the 2008 PSCED in order to reflect new and emerging education programs in the country and to align with the 2011 ISCED and 2013 ISCED-F;

WHEREAS, the PSA Interagency Committee on Statistical Standards and Classifications (IACSSC), through its Technical Working Group on Education Classification (TWGEC), has developed, reviewed and recommended the 2017 PSCED;

WHEREAS, the 2017 PSCED has been mapped with the Philippine Qualifications Framework (PQF) which covers the following: a) Policies, Standards, and Guidelines (PSGs) issued by the Commission on Higher Education (CHED); b) Training Regulations issued by the Technical Education and Skills Development

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Authority (TESDA); and c) Table of Specifications for the License for Professional Practice issued by the Philippine Regulation Commission (PRC);

WHEREAS, the 2017 PSCED now includes a new Upper Secondary Education Level as a result of the implementation of Republic Act No. 10533, otherwise known as the "Enhanced Basic Education Act of 2013", issued on 15 May 2013 which formalized the adoption of the K to 12 Basic Education Program in the country;


WHEREAS, the 2017 PSCED has also taken into account the developments on technical education in the country which now spans several education levels in the 2017 PSCED;

WHEREAS, the concepts and definitions used in the 2017 PSCED are also aligned and consistent with the provisions of Republic Act No. 9155 "Governance of Basic Education Act of 2001" and Republic Act No. 10687 "Unified Student Financial Assistance System for Tertiary Education (UniFAST) Act";

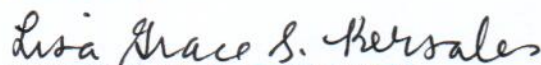
WHEREAS, the 2017 PSCED can serve as a guide for the country's negotiation on bilateral or mutual recognition agreement with other countries on labor exchange;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the PSA Board approve the 2017 PSCED, for adoption by concerned government agencies and instrumentalities.

Approved this 13th day of December 2017, in Pasig City.


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