

### **PRESS RELEASE**

WHAT: Science Film Festival Philippines 2022 WHEN: November 03 to December 03, 2022

WHERE: online, video-on-demand

# "DISCUSSING EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IN SCIENCE THROUGH FILMS"

The Goethe-Institut Philippinen invites you all as the Science Film Festival celebrates its 13th edition in the Philippines with another virtual festival taking place from **November 3 to December 3, 2022**.

A total of 45 Science Edutainment Films will be screened online for free to present an outstanding opportunity for participants to learn more about this year's theme "Equal Opportunities in Science". The festival also encourages participants to explore their curiousity from watching the films through our various curated activities that supplement the themes explored in the films.

The films will be accessible online for FREE as a video-on-demand (VOD) service upon signing up at goethe.de/ScienceFilmFestPh. They are also translated and synchronized or subtitled into local languages where necessary to offer access without language barriers.

The festival officially opens online on November 3, but a **special onsite** program will be held at the Philippine Science High School Diliman on November 07, 2022. During the program, there will be a screening of the film, "With Heart and High-Tech - How People Master Challenges" along with interactive science activities administered by our partners from the DOST-SEI (Department of Science and Technology-Science Education Institute).

Goethe-Institut Philippinen will also host a Vote & Win raffle to their student viewers where they can get a chance to win a brand new Asus X415 Laptop and Sony Wireless Heaphones just by voting for their favorite film at this year's festival.

The Science Film Festival Philippines is made possible through the gracious support of our major partners from the Department of Education (DepEd), the Department of Science and Technology (DOST), the Philippine Science High School System, and Rolls-Royce, and our other local partners from Museo ng Muntinlupa, The Mind Museum, Museo Pambata, Philippine Science Centrum, Felta Multimedia, National Library of the Philippines, Liceo de Cagayan University, and Xavier University in cooperation with the SEAMEO Regional Centre for Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics Education (SEAMEO STEM-ED).

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Goethe-Institut Philippinen Science Film Festival Website

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## **ABOUT THE SCIENCE FILM FESTIVAL**

Science Film Festival Vote & Win Raffle

The Science Film Festival is a celebration of science communication in Southeast Asia, South Asia, Africa and the Middle East: In cooperation with local partners it promotes science literacy and facilitates awareness of contemporary scientific, technological and environmental issues through international films with accompanying educational activities. The festival presents scientific issues accessibly and entertainingly to a broad audience and demonstrates that science can be fun. The event has grown considerably since its first edition in 2005, becoming the largest event of its kind worldwide.

# ABOUT THE THEME OF THE YEAR: "EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IN SCIENCE"

Equal opportunity is a state of fairness in which individuals are treated similarly, unhampered by artificial barriers or prejudices or preferences. Innovations resulting from science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) fields have positively touched nearly every aspect of human life. Yet, even today, science can exacerbate the equality divide in subtle and more pervasive ways and the continued underrepresentation of minorities and women in the scientific enterprise represents a challenge to cultivate an adequate international scientific workforce.

Diversity in science refers to cultivating talent and promoting the full inclusion of excellence across the social spectrum. Diversity is essential to delivering excellence in STEM. A diverse and inclusive scientific workforce draws from the widest range of backgrounds, perspectives and experiences thereby maximizing innovation and creativity in science.

The Science Film Festival 2022 is committed to increasing awareness on the issue of diversity and inclusiveness in STEM from underrepresented groups, in which studying and working in science is open to all and for the benefit of all sections of society.

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