

PHILRECA, LIAECPI launch the first national convention for EC internal auditors

Nearly 200 internal auditors from 105 electric cooperatives (ECs) nationwide convened for the first-ever National Convention of the [League of Internal Auditors of Electric Cooperatives in the Philippines Inc](#) (LIAECPI) on September 29–30 at the Sequoia Hotel, Quezon City.

The two-day program featured technical sessions led by key resource speakers, including Ms. Irene Martin and Mr. Cayetano Juarez of the [National Electrification Administration](#) (NEA), Atty. Eduisa Rositte Diocos of Silliman University, and Mr. Pol Mirafuentes of the Center for Internal Advisory Services Philippines, Inc., where they shared insights from audit challenges to improving compliance and enhancing governance systems in ECs.

Adding a motivational dimension, Dr. Allan Laniba, President of the [National Association of General Managers of Electric Cooperatives](#) (NAGMEC), delivered an inspiring talk urging auditors to anchor their profession on purpose and mission-driven service in the energy sector.

PHILRECA Executive Director and General Manager Atty. Janeene Depay-Colingan lauded auditors as “champions of good governance” and emphasized their unique role as the conscience of cooperatives.

“Our way forward is clear but not easy. We must audit forward, not just to meet standards, but to raise them. Let us navigate risks with wisdom and strategy, and cultivate a culture where integrity thrives,” Colingan said.

Solidarity messages were also delivered by Power Bloc Representatives Hon. Presley de Jesus ([PhilRECA Partylist](#)), and Hon. Sergio Dagooc ([APEC Partylist](#)) together with PHILRECA President Jose Raul Saniel, all highlighting the indispensable role of auditors in safeguarding the trust of member-consumer-owners (MCOs).

Previously named as Philippine Association Of Electric Cooperative Internal Auditors (PHILAECIA), LIAECPI has entered a new era of leadership, signaling its commitment through strengthening internal auditing practices in ECs while reaffirming auditors’ vital role in good governance in the rural electrification sector.

The convention highlights also include the unveiling of LIAECPI’s new logo, the oath-taking of newly elected officers, and a business meeting setting the organization’s strategic direction: audit forward.