41st Ecumenical Philippine Conference (EPC) [41. Ökumenische Philippinen Konferenz (ÖPK)]
„Power, transparency, accountability: Challenges for civil society and churches in the Philippines“
30th October – 1st November 2026
Venue: Haus Venusberg; Haager Weg 28-30; 53127 Bonn, GERMANY

hrs	Program
	Friday, 30th October 2026
17:00	**Participants arrival, registration**,
18:00	Dinner
19:00	**Opening of the 41st EPC, welcome address by EPC working group** Technical and organizational matters
19:30 - 21:30	**Round of introduction, coming to know each other** **Looking back:** **- Pictures of events and gatherings with relation to the topic, Mary Lou Hardillo** - Impressions from protests and gatherings, political movements, testimonies
21:30	Informal gatherings, opportunity for discussion, exchange and reflection.
	Saturday, 31st October 2026
08:00	Breakfast
09:00	**Morning devotion**
09:15 – 09:30	**Plenary:** Presentation of the program, schedule of the day
09:30 – 10:45	**Plenary, module 1** **„Together against corruption: civil society and churches demands for accountability by the state and their actions against corruption and misuse of funds and resources“** Input by Sonny Africa, Director, IBON, Philippines
	Space for questions by the plenary
10:45	Coffee-/ Tea break
11:15 – 12:30	**Plenary, module 2** **Experiences and observations at local/ community level:** Local Councils (Barangay/ Town/City) and the experiences by church Youth Representatives with „good governance“, transparency and cases of corruption Input / testimony by IFI volunteer: Princess Yanes
	Space for questions by the plenary
12:30	**Group Picture**
12:45	Lunch break (with opportunity for conversations and individual meetings)

14:30 – 16:00	Plenary Presentation of the workshop topics **Parallel workshops/ group work – First round:** **Workshops (options):** **1. Deeper insight into situation at local/ community level (Princess Yanes).** **2. Deeper insight into „good governance" monitoring at state level (Sonny Africa).** **3. Transparency in a diaspora organisation, actual example (Myan G. / A. Schmitz).** **4. „Flood Control" experiences and observations at field level (Thomas Kruchem).**
16:00	Coffee-/ Tea break
16:30 – 18:00	**Parallel workshops / group work – second round** (Workshop themes as in first round, however change of participants)
18:00	Dinner
19:00 – 22:00	**Cultural evening / Social gathering** Festive program, video-clips, music
Ca. 22:00	Opportunity for informal meetings, dicussions, exchange
	Sunday, 01st November 2026
08:00	Breakfast
09:15	**Ecumenical Service**
10:15	Coffee-/ Tea break
10:30 – 12:30	Plenary: **Feedbacksession on the theme of the41st EPC; evaluation** Thematic suggestions for the 42nd EPC in 2028 **Präsentation, deliberations and decisions on the future of the EPC 2027 - 2031** **EPC working group elections**
12:30 –	Closing
12:45	Lunch
13.30	Farewell/ Departure