Profile of Host and Partner Organizations

The Ateneo Initiative for Korean Studies (AIKS) was established in April 2012 to set up, grow and sustain Korean Studies in the Ateneo. Through the Korean Studies Incubation Program (KSIP) grant of the Academy of Korean Studies, AIKS was able to launch its flagship project in July 2012, which consists of a roadmap of activities organized under 4 key strategic areas: Academic Program and Research; Networking and Partnerships; Training and Capacity-Building; and Establishment of a Center for Korean Studies.

By embarking on diverse Korea-related initiatives, AIKS seeks to:
1. Promote the significance of Korean Studies and propel Korea-related research in the academe;
2. Propagate interest in activities that foster awareness on different aspects of Korea, and of Philippines-Korea relations;
3. Partner with leading universities, organizations and institutions in Korea and in the region for a wide-range of academic and cultural exchanges relevant to the promotion of Korean Studies in the Philippines;
4. Provide research and training support to students and faculty;
5. Produce local experts in the field, qualified to advance Korean Studies in the Philippines not only as a major academic field but also as an important area of foreign policy.

The initiative is being led by the Office of the Vice President for University and Global Relations of the Ateneo de Manila University.

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