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to provide innovative housing and community solutions that empower people and are adaptive to the present challenges of climate change.

In January of this year, the Philippines' largest low-cost community builders, Gawad Kalinga, mounted a local design competition, challenging senior architecture and interior design students to raise the bar of excellence for GK communities around the country and the world by harnessing their talents and skills into building the most beautiful, environment-friendly and sustainable GK villages for the poorest of the poor who otherwise cannot afford their services. May 8, 2009 was the last day of submission of entries and awarding will be in September of this year.

Similarly and exactly the year before, MyShelter Foundation together with its partners, Gov. LRay Villafuerte, the National Disaster Coordinating Council, the Private Sector Disaster Management Network and the United Architects of the Philippines mounted an international competition with the vision of culling emergent technologies from the world's architects who can create sustainable new design solutions for schools to improve the overall learning conditions of the children, and to revolutionize the blueprint in making the structure resilient to strong and typhoons.

The winning design is a sustainable bamboo school by Eleena Jamil of Malaysia which began construction at the Nato Elementary School in Camarines Sur last May 15, 2009. This was the first phase of the project, and organizers now intend to build one of the largest bamboo schools in the world.

This year, these two engines for changing architecture for low-income communities - one for better sustainable design and one for disaster resiliency - have come together through a competition platform to find solutions to the problem of obsolete, low-cost residential building designs in the developing world in the midst of climate change.

Organizers hope that a broader international network base will bring in around 2,000 design entries to complete a full master plan of a climate resilient community for rural areas of the country. The scope of the design will be based on master planning a low-income community of 30 houses

based on affordability (<\$2,000 USD), typhoon and earthquake resistance, sustainable development, innovative construction technology, scalability and flexibility of use.

This project is in honor of the 90th year anniversary of the Institute of International Education (IIE) and the 30th year anniversary of the Hubert Humphrey Program, which IIE helps to administer on behalf of the US Dept. of State. The Hubert Humphrey Fellowship Program provides a year of professional enrichment in the US for experienced professionals from designated countries throughout the world

who are selected based on their potential for leadership and their commitment to public service. It is an activity of The Fulbright Program, which promotes leaders who unite the world through a dialogue of peace and understanding through educational exchange.

Allan E. Goodman, President, Institute of International Education (IIE) joined Consul General Cecilia B. Rebong, Tony Meloto of Gawad Kalinga, and Ilac Diaz at the press launch of the competition. For more details about the competition, visit www.philippineclimatechallenge.org (Mar G. Visaya /AJPress)



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