



January 2, 2025

Dr. Prose Ivy G. Yepes
VSU President
Visayas State University
Visca, Baybay City, Leyte

Thru: Dr. Santiago T. Peña, Jr.
VP for REI

This is to recommend the appointment of **MS. MICHELLE AUBREY D. CABASE** as Co-Study Leader (Junior Economist) of the CSIRO-Funded R&D Project entitled: **"Agribusiness-Led Inclusive Value Chain Development for Smallholder Farming Systems in the Philippines (IVC Philippines)"** effective January 2 – July 31, 2025, without honorarium, with no employee, employer relationship.

As a junior economist, she is expected to perform the following responsibilities with appropriate workload unit equivalent:

- a. Act as the *Agriculture Production Economist* in the overall R&D implementation activities of the project;
- b. Assist the project staff team in leading and supervising the design, implementation, and analysis of participatory field trials as part of the project's value chain development and market research intervention activities.
- c. Coordinates with other project team members to ensure smooth implementation of all project activities.
- d. Submits terminal reports and other deliverables as required in the project's work plan.

Any changes in the title, methodology, project site, and/or budget, approval should first be sought from the University President upon recommendation by the concerned College Dean, Center Director, Director for Research, and the Vice President for Research, Extension, and Innovation.

Very truly yours,

LEMUEL S. PRECIADOS
Project Leader

Conforme:

— Certified funds available:

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