



January 12, 2024

**Dr. Daniel Leslie S. Tan**  
OIC-President  
Visayas State University  
Visca, Baybay City, Leyte

*Thru:* **Dr. Dennis P. Peque**  
Vice-President for Research, Extension and Innovation

Dear **Dr. Tan**,

This is to recommend the renewal of the appointment of **Ms. Angelita B. Orias** as **Study Leader** of the research entitled "**Propagation of Quality Planting Materials, Carbon Sequestration Potential and Socioecological Assessment of *A. malaccensis*-based Agroecological Systems in Leyte and Biliran Islands**", Study 2 of the research project "*Ecological Assessment and Conservation of *Aquilaria malaccensis* Through Sustainable Agarwood Production in Leyte and Biliran Islands, Philippines (ECoSAP)*" (**Project Code: VSU-IP-2021-9**), charged to the **Internationalization Program**, subject to the availability of funds, effective January 1, 2024, until December 31, 2024, with equivalent workload units, renewable every year until the completion of the project.

As Study Leader, Ms. Orias will perform the following responsibilities:

1. Exercise supervision and control in the implementation of the study, in coordination with the other study leaders;
2. Conduct evaluation on the carbon sequestration potential of *Aquilaria* in plantations in Leyte and Biliran Islands;
3. Monitor and evaluate the growth performance of *Aquilaria* in plantations in Leyte and Biliran Islands;
4. Monitor and evaluate of carbon stock of *Aquilaria* plantations in Leyte and Biliran using drone technology;
5. Submit to OVPREI, through the Project Leader, the following:
  - a. Report on the significant outputs/outcomes of the research;
  - b. Quarterly research progress reports to the OVPREI-RPO (**Attachment 1**);
  - c. Midyear research progress reports every 1<sup>st</sup> week of July of every year (**Attachment 2**);
  - d. Annual research progress reports every 1<sup>st</sup> week of January of the succeeding year (**Attachment 3**);
6. Present the research highlights or papers during the Research In-house Review and Evaluation (**Attachment 4**);
7. Present a paper in the regional/national R&D Symposia/fora (**as scheduled by the Consortium/National agency concerned with the prescribed standard format**);
8. Submit terminal report three (3) months after completion of the research project (**Attachment 5**);

9. Publish articles of significant research findings in indexed/peer-reviewed journals.

For 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.

Thank you for your continued support to the Institute.

Very truly yours,

**MARLITO M. BANDE**  
Project Leader, ECoSAP

**Conformé:**

**ANGELITA B. ORIAS**  
Instructor, ITEEM

**Endorsed by:**

**RENEZITA S. COME**  
Dean, College of Forestry and  
Environmental Science (CFES)

**Recommending Approval:**

**DENNIS P. PEQUE**  
VP for Research, Extension, and Innovation

cc: OVPREI (VP)  
OVPREI (RPO)  
Head, Budget Office  
CFES (Dean)  
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**Certified Funds Available:**

**ALICIA M. FLORES**  
Head, Budget Office

**Noted:**

**IVY C. EMNACE**  
Director for Research