

ID WATCH

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**A monthly digest of news and updates about
identification systems in the Philippines**

July 4

PSA to open website for PhilID verification

PSA will soon roll out a website and offline mechanisms to enable relying parties to verify, using public-private key cryptography, the digital signature in the QR code of PhilIDs and confirm that the demographic information is accurate and has not been tampered with. **READ MORE →**

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PSA opens addt'l Step 2 reg sites for PhilSys ID in Luzon

The PSA established new registration sites in six provinces in Luzon where online booking of appointment for Step 2 of the PhilSys registration can be accommodated. **READ MORE →**

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PhilID expected to provide accuracy in targeting aid beneficiaries: DSWD

DSWD Secretary Rolando Bautista said a full digital experience on the distribution of aid will soon be realized through the PhilSys.

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State auditors red flag PCOO implementation of P419.94-M National ID info campaign

COA has cited audit deficiencies in PCOO's handling of the P419M budget for the PhilSys information production and campaign.

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Comelec no longer issues voter IDs

On December 20, 2017, the Comelec announced on its website that it would no longer be issuing voter ID cards in anticipation of the roll out of a national identification system. **READ MORE** →

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3.8M unbanked PhilSys registrants enters formal banking system

The Landbank said the onboarded 3.8M applicants for transaction accounts comprise 47% of the 8M individuals who registered in the PhilSys. Landbank Agent Banking Cards are provided free-of-charge and with no initial deposit requirement to PhilSys applicants in areas where the Landbank has co-located with Philsys registration sites. **READ MORE** →


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Data-sharing among gov't agencies via PhilSys proposed


ARTA eyes partnership with the PSA to streamline sharing and matching of data on bearth, death, and marriage with relevant government agencies through online platforms. **READ MORE** →



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