

ID WATCH

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

July 8

PhilSys seen to improve 4Ps cash transfer, beneficiaries urged to register

At a forum, the DSWD declared that the national ID system would bring “more accurate, efficient and transparent” processes once adopted in all the its programs. Earlier, the agency agreed to utilize the PhilSys in identifying and verifying its program beneficiaries. [READ MORE →](#)

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World Bank wants PH gov't to fast-track rollout of rollout ID

Yoonyoung Cho, senior economist at the Social Protection and Jobs Global Practice of the World Bank, said that the PhilSys holds the key to many of the institutions' recommendations for a better implementation of the government's social assistance programs. [READ MORE →](#)

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Romualdez, 3 other solons propose SIM card registration

To deter criminal acts via text messages, Leyte Rep. Martin Romualdez and three others filed a bill requiring the registration of all mobile phone subscriber identity module (SIM) cards. **READ MORE** →

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Marcos eyes using National IDs by early 2023

President Marcos Jr. sees Filipinos finally using their national identification cards early next year. The national ID System is part of the government's plan for economic recovery, Press Secretary Trixie Cruz-Angeles said. **READ MORE** →

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PHLPost sets up 'plaza-type' distribution of unclaimed nat'l IDs

Postmaster General and chief executive officer Norman Fulgencio says all unclaimed PhilIDs during the first and second house-to-house delivery attempts will be scheduled for a weekend 'plaza-type' distribution in coordination with barangay offices. **READ MORE** →

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Group presses passage of SIM registration bill

CitizenWatch Philippines, an advocacy group championing the interests of ordinary consumers, is urging Congress to refile and pass a SIM registration law. The proposal would require telecommunication companies to register SIM cards at the point of sale and before activation. **READ MORE** →

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National ID and e-governance cited as tech priorities in SONA 2022

In his first State of the Nation Address, the President noted that the national ID system will play an integral role in identity verification thereby allowing people to easily transact through e-governance platforms. 30M physical IDs and 20M digital IDs are expected to be issued by year's end. **READ MORE** →



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