

## Acronyms and abbreviations

<b>ACIA</b>	ASEAN Comprehensive Investment Agreement
<b>ADR</b>	Alternative Dispute Resolution
<b>ADB</b>	Asian Development Bank
<b>AEC</b>	ASEAN Economic Community
<b>AEGC</b>	ASEAN Experts Group on Competition
<b>AFAB</b>	Authority of the Freeport Area of Bataan
<b>APEC</b>	Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation
<b>ASEAN</b>	Association of South East Asian Nations
<b>ATO</b>	Air Transportation Office
<b>AWGIPC</b>	ASEAN Working Group on Intellectual Property Cooperation
<b>BIT</b>	Bilateral Investment Treaty
<b>BOI</b>	Board of Investments
<b>BOI-ARMM</b>	Autonomous Region of Muslim Mindanao
<b>BOP</b>	Balance of Payments
<b>BOT</b>	Build-Operate-Transfer
<b>BOT-IRR</b>	Philippine Amended BOT Law and implementing rules & regulations
<b>BPO</b>	Business Process Outsourcing
<b>BPM6</b>	Balance of Payments Manual 6
<b>BSP</b>	Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas
<b>BTRCB</b>	Bureau of Trade Regulation and Consumer Protection
<b>CARP</b>	Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Programme
<b>CDC</b>	Clark Development Corporation
<b>CEZA</b>	Cagayan Economic Zone Authority
<b>CHR</b>	Commission on Human Rights
<b>CIQ</b>	Customs, Immigration and Quarantine
<b>CPCN</b>	Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity
<b>CQRS</b>	Consolidated Quarterly Reporting System
<b>CSF</b>	Credit Surety Fund
<b>CSR</b>	Corporate Social Responsibility
<b>DBP</b>	Development Bank of the Philippines
<b>DENR</b>	Department of Environment and Natural Resources

<b>DILG</b>	Department of the Interior and Local Government
<b>DITC</b>	Department of Information and Communications Technology
<b>DOE</b>	Department of Energy
<b>DOJ</b>	Department of Justice
<b>DOLE</b>	Department of Labor and Employment
<b>DOTC</b>	Department of Transportation and Communication
<b>DPWH</b>	Department of Public Works and Highways
<b>DTI</b>	Department of Trade and Industry
<b>EITI</b>	Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative
<b>EIU</b>	Economist Intelligence Unit
<b>EO</b>	Executive Order
<b>EPA</b>	Economic Partnership Agreement
<b>EPIRA</b>	Electric Power Industry Reform Act
<b>EPZ</b>	Export Processing Zone
<b>ERC</b>	Electricity Regulatory Commission
<b>ERIA</b>	Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia
<b>EU</b>	European Union
<b>EUR</b>	Euro
<b>FAO</b>	United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation
<b>FDI</b>	Foreign Direct Investment
<b>FET</b>	Fair and Equitable Treatment
<b>FIA</b>	Foreign Investment Act
<b>FIL</b>	Foreign Investment Law
<b>FINL</b>	Foreign Investment Negative List
<b>FIS</b>	Foreign Investments Information System
<b>FPIC</b>	Free Prior and Informed Consent
<b>FTA</b>	Free Trade Agreement
<b>GDP</b>	Gross Domestic Product
<b>GOCCs</b>	Government-Owned and Controlled Corporations
<b>GPII</b>	Global Partnership for Financial Inclusion
<b>GPRA</b>	Government Procurement Reform Act
<b>GRI</b>	Global Reporting Initiative
<b>GVC</b>	Global Value Chain
<b>IAG</b>	Inter-Agency Group
<b>IAG-FDIS</b>	Inter-Agency Group on Foreign Direct Investment Statistics
<b>ICT</b>	Information and Communication Technology
<b>ICSID</b>	International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes
<b>IIA</b>	International Investment Agreement
<b>ILO</b>	International Labour Organization

<b>IMF</b>	International Monetary Fund
<b>IP</b>	Intellectual Property
<b>IPA</b>	Investment Promotion Agency
<b>IPOPHL</b>	Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines
<b>IPP</b>	Independent Power Producer
<b>IPP</b>	Investment Priorities Plan
<b>ISDS</b>	Investor-State Dispute Settlement
<b>ISO</b>	International Organization for Standardization
<b>IT</b>	Information Technology
<b>JICA</b>	Japan International Cooperation Agency
<b>KPI</b>	Key Performance Indicators
<b>LAC</b>	Latin America and the Caribbean
<b>LGU</b>	Local Government Unit
<b>LWUA</b>	Local Water Utilities Administration
<b>M&amp;A</b>	Mergers and Acquisitions
<b>MFN</b>	Most-Favoured Nation Treatment
<b>MNE</b>	Multinational Enterprise
<b>MOA</b>	Memorandum of Agreement
<b>MORB</b>	Manual of Regulations for Banks
<b>MSME</b>	Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises
<b>MWSS</b>	Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage Systems
<b>NAFTA</b>	North American Free Trade Agreement
<b>NAP</b>	National Action Plan
<b>NEDA</b>	National Economic and Development Authority
<b>NEDA-ICC</b>	NEDA's Investment Co-ordination Committee
<b>NPC</b>	National Power Corporation
<b>NRPS</b>	National Retail Payment System
<b>NSCB</b>	National Statistics Coordination Board
<b>NSFI</b>	National Strategy for Financial Inclusion
<b>NSO</b>	National Statistics Office
<b>NT</b>	National Treatment
<b>NTC</b>	National Telecommunication Commission
<b>NWRB</b>	National Water Resources Board
<b>ODA</b>	Official Development Assistance
<b>OECD</b>	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
<b>OFC</b>	Office for Competition
<b>OIC</b>	Omnibus Investment Code
<b>OSW</b>	Ocean, Solar and Wind
<b>PBSP</b>	Philippine Business for Social Progress
<b>PDMF</b>	Project Development and Monitoring Facility
<b>PDP</b>	Philippines Development Plan

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<b>PEZA</b>	Philippines Economic Zone Authority
<b>PFI</b>	Policy Framework for Investment
<b>PHP</b>	Philippine pesos
<b>PIPP</b>	Philippine Investment Promotion Plan
<b>PLDT</b>	Philippines Long Distance Telephone Company
<b>PMIA</b>	Philippine Model Investment Agreement
<b>PNP</b>	Philippine National Police
<b>PPA</b>	Philippine Port Authority
<b>PPP</b>	Public-Private Partnership
<b>PSIC</b>	Philippine Standard Industrial Classification
<b>RA</b>	Republic Act
<b>RBC</b>	Responsible Business Conduct
<b>RCOA</b>	Retail Competition and Open Access
<b>RO-RO</b>	Roll-On / Roll-Off
<b>SBMA</b>	Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority
<b>SCAD</b>	Subic Clark Alliance for Development
<b>SEC</b>	Securities and Exchange Commission
<b>SEZ</b>	Special Economic Zones
<b>SME</b>	Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises
<b>SRC</b>	Sector Regulators Council
<b>SRP</b>	Suggested Retail Price
<b>TiVA</b>	Trade in Value Added
<b>TVET</b>	Technical Vocational Education and Training
<b>UNCITRAL</b>	United Nations Commission on International Trade Law
<b>UNCTAD</b>	United Nations Commission on Trade and Development
<b>UNESCAP</b>	UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
<b>UNGC</b>	UN Global Compact
<b>UNGPs</b>	UN Guiding Principles for Business and Human Rights
<b>USD</b>	United States Dollar
<b>VAT</b>	Value Added Tax
<b>WB</b>	World Bank
<b>WTO</b>	World Trade Organization

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