

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Philippines as Guest of Honour at the Frankfurt Book Fair 2025

PRESS TALK

Under the theme *The imagination peoples the air*, the Philippines will be the Guest of Honour at Frankfurter Buchmesse 2025. The program will highlight the country's celebrated authors, artists, and creatives, alongside its diverse literary traditions and rich cultural heritage.

We are pleased to invite you to a press talk in Berlin, where Karina Bolasco, Head of the Literary Program and Curator of Books, will introduce the Philippine program for Leipzig, present new German-language publications spanning various genres and offer a glimpse into the vibrant cultural and literary landscape of the nation of 7,641 islands. Furthermore, Juergen Boos, CEO and President of the Frankfurter Buchmesse, will engage in a conversation with renowned Philippine authors Daryll Delgado and J. Philip Ignacio, offering insights into their works of climate fiction and graphic novels. Her Excellency Irene Susan B. Natividad, Ambassador of the Philippines to Germany, will present a warm welcoming address on behalf of the visionary of the Guest of Honour project, Senator Loren Legarda.

Date: Thursday, March 20, 2025, 10.00 am

Speakers: **Juergen Boos**
CEO and President Frankfurter Buchmesse

Hon. Irene Susan B. Natividad
Ambassador of the Philippine Embassy to Berlin

Karina Bolasco
Head of Literary Program and Curator of Books

Daryll Delgado
Author of *Remains* (Überreste, Kröner Verlag, 2025)

J. Philip Ignacio
Author of *Alandal* (Alandal 1, Dantes Verlag, 2024)

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Following the press talk we invite you to a reception with snacks from the Philippines. The participants will be available for interviews and networking.

More updates and information: www.philippinesfrankfurt2025.com and on the social media pages @philippinesfrankfurt2025 [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Tiktok](#), [LinkedIn](#).