JUNE CONNEX MEETUP

Clean Energy Technology Series: Electric Vehicles

The most recent Connex meetup conducted by New Energy Nexus - Philippines was last June 30, 2020 that focused on electric vehicles and how this certain industry strongly helps in mitigating pollution that comes from transportation -- with over 11, 000 to 27,000 deaths linked in 2018 in Manila alone.

It was also the first time to have an international speaker in the panel for the online run of this networking event, but of course, our local speakers are also prominent in their respective fields. With the primary goal to inform the audience of the current state of the country on the different programs, initiatives, and organizations working towards cleaner transport system and how can Philippines level with other countries, the speakers talked about the following:



<u>Dr. Manny Biona</u> of the <u>Electric Vehicle Association of the Philippines</u> shared the findings in their research entitled *The Philippine Electric Vehicle Policy Analysis Report* and talk about the different opportunities in this thriving market.



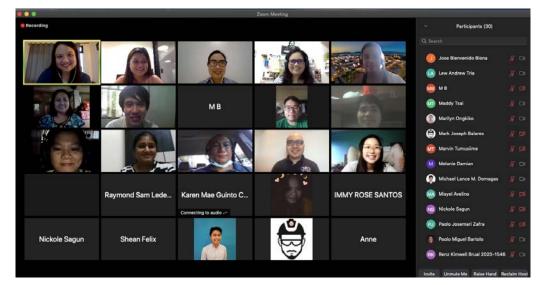
<u>Dr. Lew Tria</u> of Charging in Minutes (a.k.a CharM) shared how their startup came into life, the financial support they got from government agencies. He also shared the challenges they faced and their current project deployments and next steps.



<u>Srujana Raghupatruni</u>, founder and CEO of <u>Cellerite Systems</u> which is a startup based in India also shared about their product to the audience. She also explained the differences and similarities of India and PH and how can it be taken to advantage.

There was a varied audience who came from different backgrounds: students, teachers, researches, corporate managers and employers, startup founders, and different organizations. You can also check the questions raised during the event through this jamboard link.

There will be no Connex for the month of July as New Energy Nexus - Philippines will focus on



the Cohort 1 Demo Day on July 30, 2020 and the next one will be in August 2020 and will be in partnership with BARAS TBI of Bulacan State University.

