



Grace Aguilin-Dalisay has spent the past 35 years of her professional life in the joint worlds of the academia and civil society. Early in her career, alongside teaching and research duties at the University of the Philippines Diliman, Prof. Aguilin-Dalisay served as a volunteer psychologist for a national organization devoted to the rehabilitation of children in difficult political circumstances and armed conflict. She was Research Director for a television show on children's development and was actively involved in youth-based service programs.

A volunteer most of her life, she moved into formal volunteering management in 1997 with her post as director of the *Ugnayan ng Pahinungod*, the volunteer programme of the University of the Philippines System. As such, Prof. Aguilin-Dalisay saw to the implementation of a volunteer management system in undertaking Pahinungod's multi-dimensional anti-poverty programmes with marginalized communities in the country, including the autonomous regions of the Cordillera and Muslim Mindanao. She has since been immersed in various volunteering for development programmes and advocacies. She has taught and published on volunteerism and social responsibility, as well as psychological perspectives on social issues.

She is Dean of the College of Social Sciences and Philosophy (CSSP), University of the Philippines Diliman (UPD), and prior to this, was Chair of the Department of Psychology, CSSP UPD. As an academic, she has advocated for the integration of service-learning, volunteerism, and social responsibility in various disciplines and academic levels.

Dr. Grace is a Professor of Psychology, a Registered Psychologist and a Certified Specialist in Developmental Psychology. She has held senior positions in professional organizations such as President of the *Pambansang Samahan sa Sikolohiyang Pilipino* (National Association for Filipino Psychology). and Executive Secretary and Chair of the Outreach Committee of the Psychological Association of the Philippines. In the NGO world, she is known as the Founding President of the Volunteer Organizations Information Coordination and Exchange (VOICE) Network and as the Board Chair of the Philippine Coalition for Volunteerism.

tive director, continuing on to the present as founding president on the board. She also serves on the board of independent non-profit organizations, which are united in their commitment to sustainable human development through various paths: Centre for Educational Measurement (education), the National Association for Sikolohiyang Pilipino/Filipino Psychology (gender, culture, and indigenous psychology), and the International Association for Volunteer Effort (volunteering). She continues to link with the government-mandated Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency (PNVSCA) for initiatives of national and international volunteer organizations in the Philippines.

Ms. Aguilin-Dalisay has been a volunteer psychologist, trainer, and selector for the then VSO Philippines, and of VSO Bahaginan. At present, she is board trustee of the VSO International in the UK, and is board chairperson of VSO Bahaginan in the Philippines.