## ALAN ABONATES SILOR Assistant Secretary for Operations Department of Information and Communications Technology

Alan Silor hails from Mindanao and graduated from a Chinese school known as Timber City Academy. His mother is from Southern Leyte, Philippines while his father is from Fujian, China. He finished his undergraduate degree in Electronics and Communications Engineering from the University of San Carlos in Cebu City, Philippines. Right after college education and passing the Professional Regulation Commission ECE Board Exam, he jumpstarted his career in telecom from outside plant to central office operations. And advance his career in broadcast engineering and management for more than 10 years.

Being an entrepreneur, Alan was invited and join business organizations and became the President of Butuan City Chamber of Commerce and served as Vice President – Business and Government Affairs Industry for the Filipino Chinese Chamber of Commerce of Agusan. The Institute of Electronics Engineers of the Philippines and the Kapisanan ng mga Brodkaster ng Pilipinas as National Board of Director and Standards Authority, respectively. In 2009, he jointly founded the Caraga ICT Council with the help of Department of Trade & Industry and National ICT Confederation of the Philippines. He was voted as the Vice President when it was founded and later on was elected as President in 2015.

Inherent to serving the public, Assistant Secretary S Silor acted as an ICT Consultant to the City Mayor of the Local Government Unit of Butuan City in 2012. At present, he is one of the assistant secretaries of the DICT upon the appointment by President Rodrigo Duterte in 2016. Further, Secretary Rodolfo Salalima designated him to perform duties ensuring the effective and efficient operation of the following:

- 1. Free WiFi Project
- 2. Public Access and Connectivity;
- 3. Brunei Darussalam-Indonesia-Malaysia-Philippines East ASEAN Growth Area (BIMP-EAGA) matters; and,
- 4. Countryside Development

With only less than a year in service and through the leadership of Assistant Secretary Silor, DICT has staged the first-ever i-CiTY (intelligent city) Summit 2017: A Safer and Better Connected Philippines and now he is in the works in designing the direction, standards and policy in creating a roadmap for intelligent city ecosystem.

Recently, Assistant Secretary Alan Silor participated the Government Leadership Forum by the CIO Academy last May in Singapore and he has represented the Republic of the Philippines and completed the training course on SMART NATION: Strategy to Implementation at the National University of Singapore in June.