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Department of Agriculture Secretary, Dr. William D. Dar graced the 6th Regional Organic Agriculture Congress held at the Benguet Agri-Pinoy Trading Center (BAPTC) today, September 20, 2019.
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BSU grad tops 2019 Librarian Licensure Exams

Daniel Jr S. Balbin, a BSU graduate of Bachelor of Library and Information Science emerged as 1st ranking examinee with a rating of 89.75 percent in the Librarian Licensure Examination held this month. The University also ranked 2nd top performing school in the same exam with a passing rate of 91.18%.

Balbin led the BSU 2019 graduates as magna cum laude. Contrary to stereotypes about topnotcher students, Balbin is actually the kind that would mention Artekdotes (a Facebook page where people share personal narratives which is popular among the youth) in his college graduation valedictory speech and to liken graduation to the end of war

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BSU celebrates 103rd Foundation Anniversary, 119th Civil Service Month



Benguet State University commemorated its 103rd Foundation Anniversary with the observation of the 119th Philippine Civil Service Month through a series of activities in September.

The Foundation Anniversary with the theme "BSU: 103 years of contributing to the attainment of the Sustainable Development Goals" remembered the beginning of the University way back in September 1916 when the Experimental Station of the Bureau of continued on page 6

13 degree programs undergo AACCUP accreditation

The month of September witnessed 11 degree programs of BSU La Trinidad, Bokod and Buguias undergo tedious accreditation process by the Accrediting Agency of Chartered Colleges and Universities in the Philippines (AACCUP).

In La Trinidad, the degrees, Bachelor of Science in Nutrition and Dietetics, Doctor of Veterinary Medicine, Master of Science in Soil Science, Doctor of Philosophy in Horticulture and Master of Science in Rural Development were evaluated for Level 4, Phase 2 on

September 2, 2019.

The survey team was led by Dr. Manuel T. Corpus who pointed out that out of more than 4,000 degree programs that AACCUP has accredited since 1992, only 50 are accredited Level IV.

"So kung nakapasa ka ng Level IV, para ng gumraduate ng summa cum laude," he said adding that Level IV accreditation no longer deals with the process but the impacts based on two indicators—licensure examination results and performance of graduates in tracer studies.

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A PREMIER UNIVERSITY delivering world-class education that promotes sustainable development amidst climate change

MISSION

To provide quality education to enhance food security, sustainable communities, industry innovation, climate resilience, gender equality, institutional development and partnerships

CORE VALUES (SLIDES)

Student-centered

Leadership

Integrity

Diversity

Efficiency

Service

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Goal I. To develop proactive programs to ensure relevant quality education

Objectives:

- 1.To benchmark curricular and co-curricular programs with national and international standards
- 2.To develop alternative learning experiences to enhance skills that match industry needs
- 3.To develop innovative and relevant curricular and co-curricular programs
- 4.To enhance proactive student welfare and development programs

Goal II. To develop proactive programs for quality service

Objectives:

- 1.To enhance relevant human resource development programs
- 2.To develop effective and efficient innovative platforms for cascading information
- 3.To enhance and develop employee welfare programs

Goal III. To enhance responsive systems and procedures for transparent institutional development

Objectives:

- 1.To enhance and develop innovative financial management systems
- 2.To ensure transparency in all transactions in the university
- 3.To ensure inclusive and consultative decision making

Goal IV. To develop relevant and gender sensitive research and extension programs for institutional development, sustainable communities, climate resilience, industry innovation, and partnerships

Objectives:

1. To develop relevant multimedia tools in disseminating technology, knowledge and information generated from RDE programs
2. To develop relevant RDE activities that will address current problems and support cultural advocacy
3. To partner with strategic local, regional, national and international entities

Goal V. To strengthen and expand public-private partnership

Objectives:

1. Sustain and pursue functional University-relation with the alumni and other organizations both in the government and non-government entities
2. To strengthen the linkage among academe, industries, LGUs and community

***Board of Regents Approved Resolution # 2494, s. 2016.**

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"Benguet State University is continuously committed to improve its Quality management System, satisfy requirements of relevant interested parties and provide excellent service for quality education and innovative research aligned with sustainable development and client satisfaction.."

Board Resolution # 2736, s. 2018

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Department of Humanities faculty serve as lecturers in Taiwan

Taichung, Taiwan- Two faculty members of the Department of Humanities, College of Arts and Sciences were invited by National Chung Hsing University (NCHU) to facilitate a lecture on “Competence Building Workshop on Teaching and Presenting in English” on September 2-6, 2019.

Dr. Ronda B. Tullay and Dr. Kara S. Panolong presented topics on The English Language Landscape: Understanding the Use of English as a Global Language, Medium of Instruction and for Special Purposes, Lesson Strategies in Vocabulary, Lesson Strategies in the Art of Questioning, Providing Feedback, Making Effective Visuals, Paraphrasing and Transitions.

With around 30 professors from different fields of specializations, the workshop aimed to teach the participants to use techniques and strategies in using English as Medium of Instruction (MOI).

“Most of the participants are from the College of Veterinary Medicine and College of Agriculture and Natural Sciences. Their university offers international masters program in agriculture and that is why they will have to teach their subjects in English,” shared Dr. Tullay.

According to Shaw-Yhi Hwang, NCHU’s



Deputy Dean of the College of Agriculture and Natural Sciences, some of their professors just translate from Chinese to English making it essential to inform the professors what English as a Medium of Instruction (EMI) is, why it is needed and what are its potential benefits or challenges.

“The participants are actually schooled in the United Kingdom or the United States so it’s not really the language but the teaching methods using EMI that we taught,” said Dr. Tullay adding that one professor, after the lecture, realized she was too strict with her students so she resolved to be more ‘human’

as a professor.

The BSU-International Language Center, where Dr. Tullay is the director, was met by Shaw-Yhi Hwang while they were on an official visit in the University. A Memorandum of Agreement to make the program continuous is already underway hoping to involve more colleges in the University such as the College of Teacher Education and the College of Agriculture.

NCHU with 17, 259 students, is known in Taiwan for its breakthroughs in biotechnology, microbial biopesticides and plant disease control. //JSTabangcura



BSU Faculty Researchers Lesley Dale Umayat and Jao-Jao Somyden of the College of Home Economics and Technology (CHET) accomplished their final food innovation research with Umayat’s “Binubudan” and Somyden’s “Freeze-dried Fruits” Project held on September 6, 2019 at PCIEERD, Taguig. The projects were funded by Cordillera Industry and Energy Research and Development Consortium (CIERDEC). Both Umayat and Somyden says their are future possibilities to put their products in the BSU Marketing Center. They also taught the BSU Internal Guarantee System (BIGS) personnel for them to be able to reproduce the said food innovations (photo taken during a working lunch break). //KJDPagada (photo courtesy of Lesley Dale Umayat)

BSU faculty and full-time researchers trained on publication writing



Thirty-five (35) technical and education research manuscripts of Benguet State University faculty and fulltime researchers were converted into research articles during the Publication Writing Training-Workshop for Benguet State University (BSU) Faculty and Fulltime Researchers: Advancing Skills in Technical Research on September 2-6, 2019 at Awesome Hotel, San Juan, La Union.

The outputs of the participants will be considered for possible publication in the Mountain Journal of Science and Interdisciplinary Research (MJSIR) and high impact journals such as Scopus, Clarivate Journals and ASEAN Citation Index (ACI).

Consultant Dr. Lily Ann D. Lando, facilitated the 5-day activity in which she presented writing techniques and practices on how to write the parts of the research article and guided the participants on the writeshop proper. "Rejection is a norm in publication so don't be afraid to publish your research," encouraged by Dr. Lando.

On the other hand, Mr. Lauren P. Kipaan of the University Library and Information Services (ULIS) helped the participants in accessing online resources with BSU subscription and reminded the participants on using fair language on writing their research papers.

With the aim to boost the number of BSU publication, this collaborative activity was funded by the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs (OVPA) and Office of the Vice President for Research and Extension (OVPRE) implemented by the Research and Extension Publication Office (REPO) and Higher Education Regional Research Center (HERRC). //Nlenguaje



The La Trinidad Ecumenical Council of Churches led the blessing of 5 BSU structures as part of BSU's 103rd Foundation Day Anniversary celebration. The new structures are as follows: College of Home Economics and Technology Building (CHET) located behind BSU Bakery; Dormitory (located behind the BSU Alumni Building); Medical Clinic (located behind old medical clinic); Institute of Human Kinetics (IHK) Building (beside BSU gym); and the Development Communication Multimedia Station (inside ICT building). //KJDPagada

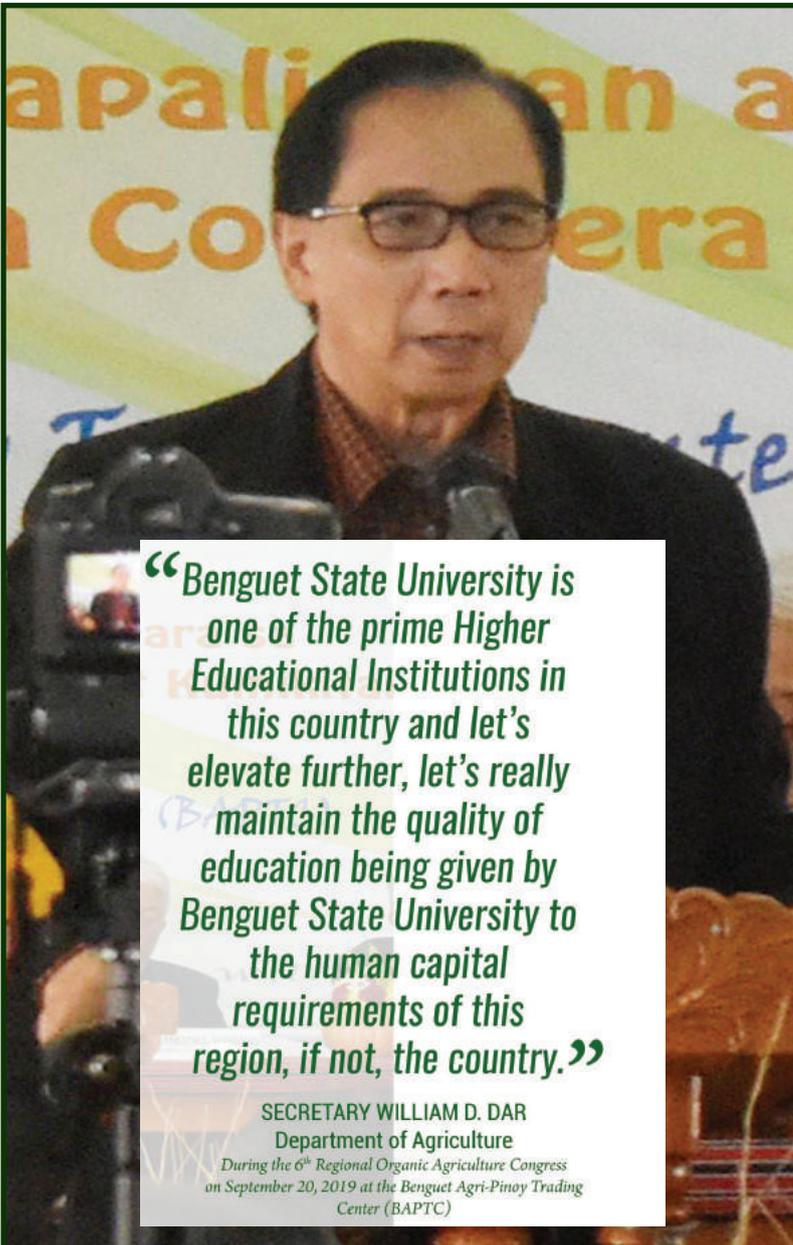


BSU participated in the Benguet Teacher's Day Celebration on September 27, 2019 at the Benguet Sports Complex. In the same event, Dr. Belinda A. Tadawan was awarded "Model Teacher" (Distinguished Teacher Award, HEIs). This is her second time to receive the prestigious award. //MLHDel Rosario

Benguet Teacher's Day Sports Event

BSU Placers

1. **Volleyball**
 Men - 2nd Place
 Women - 3rd Place
2. **Basketball**
 Men - 2nd Place
3. **Badminton**
 Men - 1st and 2nd singles
4. **Billiards**
 Men - 2nd Place
5. **Chess**
 Men - Champion
6. **Darts**
 Women - 1st and 2nd place singles
 - 2nd place (3-person team)
 - 3rd place doubles



“Benguet State University is one of the prime Higher Educational Institutions in this country and let's elevate further, let's really maintain the quality of education being given by Benguet State University to the human capital requirements of this region, if not, the country.”

SECRETARY WILLIAM D. DAR
 Department of Agriculture
 During the 6th Regional Organic Agriculture Congress
 on September 20, 2019 at the Benguet Agri-Pinoy Trading
 Center (BAPTC)



Dr. Kal Kalayanamitra of Maejo University Business Incubator, Chiangmai, Thailand visited Benguet State University for a speaking engagement to the Agri-based Technology Business Incubator/Innovation Center (ATBI/IC) personnel regarding National Agribusiness Incubation Training on Result-Based Monitoring and Evaluation on September 25, 2019. //KJDPagada

BSU alumnus is Librarian Licensure Exam topnotcher, CTE ranks 2nd as top performing school... from page 1

because a new battlefield is yet to come for the graduates.

"I always give myself time to think, maybe breath," he said. He advises his fellow students to allow themselves to have fun, to be adventurous and to not burn themselves out while studying.

"I think my course, Library Science, helped me organize my thoughts and my plans; one of the perks of being a library science student is reading a lot, knowing how to fix your stuff and when I was able to organize myself, I became more efficient in everything that I do," Balbin shared.

Balbin also gave special mention to the

BSU library for providing books for students and for offering a space to breathe.

"Lahat tayo kasama dito, this is not only for the college (CTE) but also for the University, the province and the region," exclaimed BSU-CTE Dean, Dr. Imelda Parcasio. Preparations for licensure exams are integrated into the CTE Curriculum. The college also facilitates mock examinations and competency appraisals.

"Passing rates speak so much of the college's performance and integrity. I am grateful sa hard work ng faculty and staff. Nag double time sila at tinutukan talaga ang mga bata," she added. //JSTabangcura

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Meanwhile, the degrees Bachelor of Science in Hospitality Management and Master of Library and Information Science which are currently under candidate status went through the first survey visit on September 2-7, 2019.

In BSU Bokod, the degrees Bachelor of Science in Industrial Technology, Bachelor of Science in Industrial Education and Bachelor of Elementary Education all under candidate status were evaluated for first survey visit on September 5-7, 2019. The degrees Bachelor of Secondary Education and Bachelor of Elementary Education of BSU Buguias also under candidate status were likewise visited by the AACUP survey team on September 2-4, 2019.

The exit conference and closing program for the said degrees under candidate status were attended by BSU officials including Vice President for Research and Extension (VPRE),

Dr. Carlito P. Laurean and Vice President for Administration and Finance (VPAF), Dr. John James F. Malamug. Both officials gave their commitments after hearing the general impressions of the survey team.

"I will say that research and extension services of the University are support units for the development of academic programs. Actually, we have a new organizational structure in which the colleges have research centers aligned to their degree programs," Dr. Laurean said.

The VPRE mentioned that the College of Home Economics and Technology will soon be affiliated with the Food Science and Nutritional Health Research and Development Center while the College of Teacher Education is already affiliated with the Higher Education Regional Research Center. //JSTabangcura

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Agriculture in La Trinidad was transferred to the Bureau of Education.

On the other hand, the 119th Philippine Civil Service Month with the theme "Civil Service at 119: Upholding Integrity and Building a High-Trust Society" likewise commemorates the founding of the Philippine Civil Service.

The month-long celebration was highlighted with various sports and wellness activities. The BSU Cañao was held on September 17, 2019, Thanksgiving Mass officiated by the La Trinidad Ecumenical Council of Churches followed by the 103rd Foundation Day Program were celebrated on September 18, 2019.

Although the invited guest speaker, DA Secretary, Dr. William D. Dar was not present, a video that presented his beginnings as a BSU student, faculty member and administrator was shown. Days after, during the 6th Regional Organic Agriculture Congress held on September 20-21, 2019 at the BAPTC, Dr. Dar began his speech by sharing some of his experiences while in BSU and identifying himself as one who is also from the highlands considering the years he lived in La Trinidad. Before the secretary went on to express his support for organic agriculture, he encouraged the congress participants to maximize the presence of BSU.

"Benguet State University is one of the prime Higher Educational Institutions in this country and let's elevate further, let's really maintain the quality of education being given by Benguet State University to the human capital requirements of this region, if not, the country," he said.

Since 2009, Dr. Dar has sponsored the Dr. William D. Dar Leadership Award given to students with excellent academic performance and leadership.

The Foundation Day Program was attended by invited guests from the Philippine Economic Zone Authority (PEZA)-Baguio, BSU Alumni Association, National Bureau of Investigation (NBI)-CAR, National Youth Commission, Kalinga State University, Civil Service Commission (CSC)-Benguet, Agricultural Training Institute (ATI)-CAR, Department of Trade and Industry (DTI)-Benguet, National Housing Authority (NHA)-R1/CAR, Landbank La Trinidad, Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP)-CAR, Barangay Balili LGU, Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH)-CAR, Environmental Management Bureau-Department of Environment and Natural Resources (EMB-DENR), Commission on Human Rights (CHR)-CAR, Commission on



Audit, and Department of Agriculture (DA)-CAR.

Dir. Cornelia Padinay of the Civil Service Commission-Benguet led the Panunumpa ng Kawani ng Gobyerno. Former BSU President, Dr. Rogelio D. Colting who is now with Our Farmer's Haven (OFH) also graced the event.

BSU President, Dr. Feliciano G. Calora acknowledged the guests whom he addressed as 'partners for development.' He urged the BSU students and employees who are present to reflect on how to collaborate for the University to reach higher levels of recognition.

Well-being for students and employees recognized

To give importance to the overall well-being of employees, the Human Resource Development Office (HRDO) held the Career Ladder Jump Start Orientation on September 11-13, the special treats for employees on September 16-20, the Multi-Disciplinary Discourse (MDD) VI on September 21 and the PRAISE-EVERLASTING Awards on September 26.

The PRAISE-EVERLASTING awardees under the Excellence in Job Performance are Dr. Belinda A. Tad-awan as Outstanding Teacher for Meritorious Performance; Dr. Ruth S. Batani as Outstanding Research and Extension Manager; and Mr. Genaro W. Macasieb, Jr., Mr. Paul Joseph A. Nuval, Dr. Denisa C. Domondon and Dr. Joel V. Lubrica as Outstanding Thesis Advisers. Under the Greatness in Achievements category, the awardees for their award winning papers are: Bernard S. Tad-awan, Joel S. Acyapas, Marjorie S. Salavaria, Janet S. Luis, Robert C. Kemerait, Jr., Anthony E. Glen, Ruth S. Batani, Rhea S. Loncio, Kacy O. Labon, Raiah S. Batani, Romeo A. Gomez, Jr., Teresita D. Masangcay, Constantino T. Sudaypan, Julie I. Calatan, Almira P. Bentadan, Ann Heather S. Kiwang, Marciana M. Balusdan, RaizaBlase H. Pangosban, Dominga E. Gabriel, Dalen T. Meldoz, Betty T. Gayao, Grace S. Backian, Alima N. Bedejim, Cheryll C. Launio, Maricris C. Sotelo and Lester Clyde B. Angel. Maricris P. Lad-ey-Neyney and Lance Angelo B. Layugan were recognized for being topnotchers in the 2018 Board Licensure Examination for Psychometricians while Martes D. Dionisio,



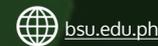
Jr. was recognized for being awarded as Outstanding LET Reviewer by SMART FITS Cordillera. Meanwhile, Jamesly T. Andres, Leonard T. Apilis, Leila Marie A. Ayban, Darwin A. Basquial, Jennie M. Bito, David Joseph L. Bognadon, Gemma S. Das-ilen, Eugene S. Lumasok and Jude L. Tayaben were recognized for completing their PhD degrees.

Likewise, the Institute of Human Kinetics (IHK) facilitated a Sports Tri-Meet between BSU La Trinidad, Buguias and Bokod on September 17 while the and the BSU Government Employees Association (BSUGEA) organized an employees' forum on September 16 and a fun run on September 18. The Faculty Club held the Teaching Employees Capability Building on September 19 while the Research and Extension sector held a Flower Arrangement Seminar on September 17 and Dish Gardening Seminar on September 18. The University Health Services in partnership with the College of Nursing organized a bloodletting on September 23. In September 26, the UHS held a Dengue Awareness Information Drive in partnership with the College of Agriculture-Entomology Department.

Activities for the students and the general

public organized by the Office of Student Services (OSS) include the Foundation Day Jobs Fair on September 20 and the OSShayao 2019, an annual recognition program for student leaders and organizations. The OSShayao 2019 awardees are: Interdependent Study Organization for Students (CVM)-Outstanding RSO for 2018-2019; Public Administration Student Government (IPA)-Outstanding RSO 1st Runner Up; Nursing Association of Responsible Students (CN)-Outstanding RSO 2nd Runner Up; Claire G. Alos (BSAEng) and Gabriel S. Tugbo (BPA)-Outstanding Student Leaders (Graduating); Christwarren P. Lagman (BSHE) and Hazel Joy B. Tacudog (BSE)-Outstanding Student Leaders (Non-Graduating); Agribusiness and Economics Majors Society (CA)-Best in Organizational Management; CTE Student Government and sub-organizations-Best in Income Generating Activities; Venerable Knight/Lady Veterinarian Fraternity/Sorority (CVM)-Best in Extension/Outreach Activities; Young Environmentalists Society (CAS)-Best in Environmental Sustainability Activities; and Rodeo Club Philippines BSU Chapter (CVM)-Best in Public Information/Education Activities. //JSTabangcura





BSU student volunteers join International Coastal Cleanup (ICC) 2019

450 student volunteers participated in the International Coastal Cleanup Drive on September 26, 2019.

Student volunteers were able to accumulate 1,250 kilograms of trash along Tabangaoen, Central, Cabanao, Balili, and Benguet State University, Km. 6 La Trinidad, Benguet.

Steven A. Angelo, BSU Young Environmentalists Society President said that the involvement of the University in the clean-up drive is a way of contributing to nation building.

“Kaya naming ininvolve ang lahat (pertaining to students) because our main objective is to increase awareness on environmental issues (the reason we involved other student organizations was to increase awareness on environmental issues),” said Angelo.

The data accounted was submitted to the International Coastal Cleanup Philippines.



Based on the accounted waste collected by the students, the following were identified as the most in number: food wrappers, beverage plastic bottles, bottle caps, plastic/foam packaging, grocery bags, cigarette butts, take out/ away containers, among others. The trash collected were hauled by the Municipality of La Trinidad.

Angelo added that they conducted an orientation prior to the conduct of the clean-up drive which urged the students to participate in the global clean-up drive. This effort paved way for more students to join this year.

In 2018, Philippines ranked first with more than 260,000 volunteers who participated in the worldwide clean-up based on a report published by the International Coastal Cleanup.

ICC is a nongovernment organization that aims to raise environmental awareness and to provide information which will guide and influence governments, corporations and industries in developing smart solutions to the marine debris problem. //DSEmok



A 4th Year Japanese Student of the Faculty of Agriculture Tottori University, Japan visited the University on September 10 - 17, 2019 as part of the implementation of existing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Benguet State University and Tottori University and to familiarize herself with the university environment for her research paper on “The Roles of Women in the Agricultural Activities in the Philippines especially in Benguet”.

Maku stayed in the University for a week. She had a tour in the university and met with the university officials. The Northern Philippines Root Crops Research and Training Center (NPRCTRC), the Benguet Vegetable Processing Center and the Office of the Provincial Agriculturist were among the agencies that she visited.

During her visit she went to the different women organizations around the municipality. She had

the chance to interview the Apugan Santo Tomas Organization and the Women’s Federation in La Trinidad including the Easter Weaving room. //RMFatog