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Roderick Planta currently holds the position of Assistant Secretary at the Infrastructure Development Office within the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA). With an extensive background in Economic Development and Infrastructure Planning, Asec. Planta has significantly influenced NEDA's trajectory through various pivotal roles.

His professional journey within NEDA encompasses noteworthy positions such as Director for the Monitoring and Evaluation Staff and the Infrastructure Development Office. These roles have endowed him with a comprehensive understanding of the intricacies involved in monitoring and evaluating development initiatives, as well as overseeing critical infrastructure projects.

Prior to his tenure at NEDA, Asec. Planta served as an Economic Development Specialist for the Infrastructure Staff, showcasing his expertise in the economic facets of infrastructure development. His professional repertoire extends beyond the governmental sphere, having previously worked as a Structural Engineer at the General Planners and Engineers Resources Company, where he brought practical engineering knowledge to his portfolio.

Asec. Planta's commitment to advancing knowledge in his field is evident through his academic and research endeavors. He has presented insightful papers at prestigious conferences, including "Philippine Toll Adjustment Formulas: Some Issues" at the 4th Annual Conference of the Eastern Asia Society for Transportation Studies in Hanoi, Vietnam. Additionally, his paper on "Financing Transportation Development Projects in the Philippines" was featured at the 1st Executive's Forum on Urban Environment and Transport Development Management.

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In pursuit of academic excellence, Asec. Planta earned his M.A. in Development Economics from the University of the Philippines Diliman. His master's thesis, titled "Government Regulation and the Transport Infrastructure Sector: An Institutional Approach," reflects his commitment to exploring the institutional dynamics influencing the transport infrastructure sector. Furthermore, he holds an undergraduate degree in Civil Engineering from the same esteemed university, showcasing a solid foundation in engineering principles.

Asec. Roderick Planta's diverse background, blending practical experience with academic achievements, positions him as a key figure in the realm of infrastructure development and economic planning within NEDA. His dedication to addressing complex issues and contributing valuable insights makes him a valuable asset to the organization.

Trainings Attended:

- 30th Annual Canadian Council for Public-Private Partnerships (CCPPP) Conference. Toronto, Ontario, Canada, November 21-22, 2022
- United Nations 2023 Water Conference. UN Headquarters, New York, March 20-26, 2023
- Learning Visit on Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) Regulations and Financing. Washington D.C., USA, April 15-23, 2023