## PH EMBASSY IN BUDAPEST CELEBRATES 127th PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE AND MIGRANTS' DAY WITH FILIPINO COMMUNITY IN HUNGARY



*Budapest, 14 June 2025* — The Philippine Embassy in Budapest commemorated the 127<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Philippine Independence and Migrants' Day at the Embassy gardens on Saturday, 14 June 2025. The event brought members of the Filipino community in Hungary in a day of unity and friendship.



In her welcome remarks, Ambassador Maria Elena P. Algabre underlined that "the Embassy is the home of every Filipino in Hungary and in the countries under our jurisdiction." Aside from Hungary, the Embassy also covers the countries of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and the Republic of Serbia. In honoring our history, heritage and values that characterize the Filipino people, the gathering was meant to offer *kababayans* a day to feel at home, with fellow

Filipinos and friends, to foster a sense of community, to keep alive our national pride, and to affirm our admirable trait to be of service, a "kapwa", to each other.





Reaffirming the Philippine government's commitment to support its people wherever they are, i.e., ensuring their voices are heard and their welfare prioritized, the Embassy presented the range of services it offers. First Secretary and Consul Ria E. Gorospe presented key consular and assistance-to-nationals services. Labor Attaché Lourdes Joan D. Lavilla emphasized the significance of Migrant Workers' Day as an occasion to acknowledge the vital contributions of overseas Filipinos to their families, local communities, and the Philippine economy at large, as well as to the host country's economy and society. She outlined the comprehensive range of services provided by Labor Office in Budapest. These services aim to safeguard the rights, dignity and well-being of Filipino workers overseas while ensuring their successful integration upon returning home.





The community enjoyed a *Filipino salu-salo* brunch, which fostered a warm and festive atmosphere, celebrating Filipino heritage and community spirit. END