

## BIO DATA

### **Edilberto Caños de Jesus**

**The Former Director of Southeast Asian  
Ministers of Education Organization  
Secretariat, Philippines**



Dr. Edilberto C. de Jesus recently completed his term as Director of the Southeast Asia Ministers of Education Organization (SEAMEO) Secretariat (2005-2007.) Previously, he was the Secretary of Education for the Republic of the Philippines (2002-2004) and also was President of the SEAMEO Council (2003.) While President of Far Eastern University in Manila (1995-2002), Dr. de Jesus served on the boards of the Coordinating Council of Private Educational Associations and the Private Association of Colleges and Universities, which elected him President in 2002. He was Presidential Adviser on Rural Development and Deputy Commissioner in the Peace Commission while serving on the Cabinet of President Corazon Aquino (1987-92.) As the Associate Dean for Research at the Asian Institute of Management (AIM), he led a team to establish the AIM Policy Forum, and then served as its first chair. Dr. de Jesus obtained his Ph.D. in History from Yale University.