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## **NATIONAL ARTS CENTER**

THIRTY young musicians from Asia and Europe will attend the I'mPulse: The First Asia Europe Music Camp to be held from February 2 to 8 at the National Arts Center, Makiling, Laguna.

The I'mPulse: The First Asia Europe Music Camp will provide the participants with a unique creative experience of sharing and learning from their fellow musicians from Asia and Europe. The emphasis is on the creative process and exchange. Its focus is to encourage collaboration among young artists for future artistic cooperation and career opportunities.

Dr. Robert Casteels, a Singapore-based Belgian conductor and composer and recipient of the Christoffel Plantin Prize in 2001, is the artistic director of the Music Camp. Associate artistic director is composer Prof. Josefino Toledo, chairman of the Composition and Theory Department of the University of the Philippines' College of Music.

I'mPulse: The First Asia Europe Music Camp is an activity of the Cultural Exchange Program of the Asia-Europe Foundation (Acef), which seeks to promote better mutual understanding between the people of Asia and Europe through greater intellectual, cultural and people-to-people exchanges between the two regions.

Acef was founded in 1997 by the members of the Asia-Europe Meeting, which had its inaugural summit in 1996 in Thailand, bringing together heads of state from Asia and Europe.

The culminating event of the I'mPulse: The First Asia Europe Music Camp will be held on February 8, 7:30 pm at the CCP Tanghalang Aurelio Tolentino (CCP Little Theater).

For information: 832-1125, locals 1800 to 1806.