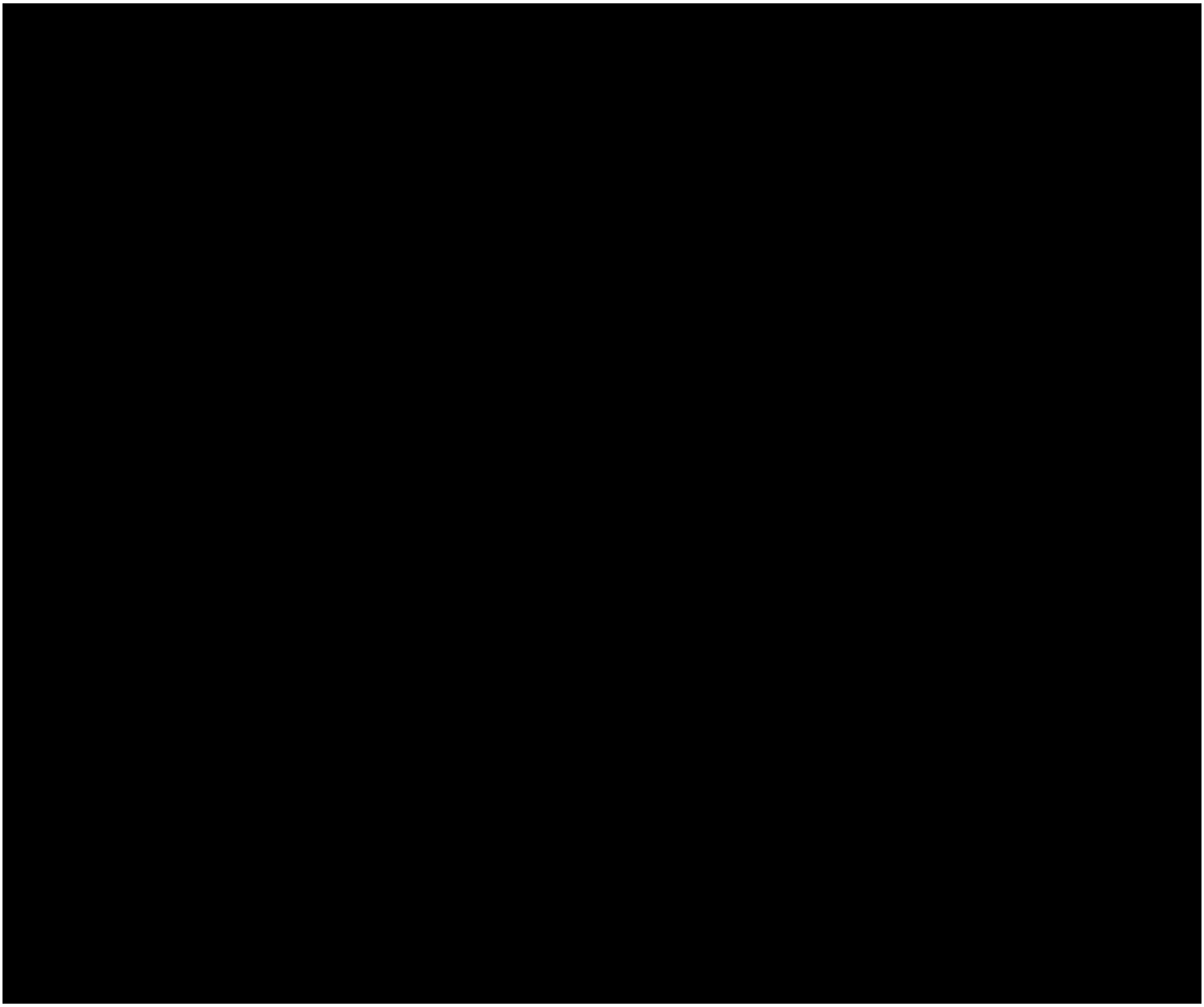
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FIRST-EVER PORTAL IN ASIA OPENS IN BGC, MANILA, JOINING THE GLOBAL ARTWORK

Portals Organization is delighted to announce the successful launch of the first-ever Portal in Asia, the sixth Portal worldwide, now live in Bonifacio Global City, Taguig, Manila, Philippines. Designed as a pure window between distant countries and cultures, the Manila Portal now offers residents and visitors a way to meet fellow humans from around the world.



Unveiled on January 21st, the Manila Portal connects to a growing network of identical Portals, currently located in Vilnius (Lithuania), Lublin (Poland), Dublin (Ireland), Philadelphia (United States) and Ipswich (United Kingdom). Together, they serve as a bridge to a united planet, inviting humanity to meet above borders and differences.

“Portals come to life through people - a global community willing to look at one another with openness and curiosity,” said Benediktas Gylys, founder of Portals Organization. *“As the Philippines welcomes its own Portal, it channels the energy of a country shaped by centuries of resilience, exchange and creativity. Manila’s cultural depth, warmth and character strengthen the shared vision we are building. Together, these cities form not only a network of sculptures, but a living bridge towards a more connected world.”*

The launch of the Manila Portal marks a historic moment as the first-ever Portal in Asia, bringing the Philippines into a global growing network. By introducing Portals to Asia for the first time, it places BGC and the country at the center - connecting people in real time and creating new ways to share experiences, stories and cultures above all borders and all differences.

The city’s energy and character amplify the Portals mission, making it a place where residents and visitors alike can engage with the world in new and meaningful ways.

"We are delighted to introduce Portals to the Philippines and, for the first time, to Asia. At BGC, we draw inspiration from experiences that bring communities together and celebrate culture and diversity. With Portals and at BGC, we hope to create a new space for connection - one that not only engages our community, but also proudly shares the vibrancy and richness of Filipino culture with the world.” shares Enrique B. Manuel Jr., Chief Operating Officer, Bonifacio Global City.

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In the coming months, more Portals will launch in Piauí (Brazil) and another country with its location yet to be announced, further expanding the global Portals Network connecting people across the globe.

About portals.org

Portals share an invitation to meet fellow humans above borders and prejudices and to experience our home – planet Earth – as it really is: united and one. Based in Vilnius and Berlin, Portals.org partners with cities, governments, and private organizations to build Portals worldwide. Since their inauguration in 2021, Portals have grown into a global network that serves as a bridge to a united planet.

About Bonifacio Global City (BGC)

Bonifacio Global City (BGC) is Metro Manila's leading business and lifestyle district, located in Taguig City, Philippines. Known for its modern infrastructure, walkable urban design, and commitment to public art and culture, BGC is home to a diverse mix of residential communities, global companies, and cultural institutions. It continues to position itself as a forward-looking urban center and a platform for innovative cultural and civic initiatives.

BGC, Manila during the opening of the Portal

Dublin, including members of the City Council and representatives from the Embassy of the Philippines to Ireland, giving a warm welcome to Manila.

Lublin, Poland welcoming Manila

View from Vilnius, Lithuania

Enrique B. Manuel Jr., Chief Operating Officer, Bonifacio Global City and Benediktas Gylys, founder of Portals Organization connecting with Lublin, Poland

The Portals team, from left to right: Nicolas Klaus, Philipp Helldorfer, Martyna Ivanauskaite, Benediktas Gylys, Nicholas Perillo, Ringaile Papartyte

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