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Ambassador Bataclan (4th from left) poses with Mr. Johnny "John" Ablaza, noted Fashion Designer and Coordinator of the Jose Rizal Travelling Museum; Sebastian (2nd from left), producer of the documentary film "Jose Rizal: The"; Frances Victoria Espinosa (5th from right), Marketing Manager of the Jose Rizal Museum; and Mr. Giovanni Vicente (extreme right), the actor who played Jose Rizal in the documentary film. Also in the photo are the members of the Knights of Rizal, who are responsible as well in bringing and hosting the group to Belgium, namely Mr. Lucien Spittaël (extreme left); Mr. Dominique Seghaert (3rd from left) with daughter, Ms. Madeline Spittaël; Mr. Antonio Guansing (3rd from right); and Ms. Madeline Spittaël (2nd from right).

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Ambassador Bataclan (upper level, 7th from right) poses with the members of Rizal and *Kababihang Rizalista* in Belgium, together with the group from Travelling Museum, at the Embassy garden towards the end of the event to commemorate the 151st birth anniversary of Dr. Rizal last June 19.