



**LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN  
REGIONAL EXPERT MEETING ON THE 10-YEAR  
FRAMEWORK OF  
PROGRAMMES ON SUSTAINABLE CONSUMPTION  
AND PRODUCTION**



**SAO PAULO, BRAZIL, 18-19 OCTOBER 2007**

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## **INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS**

### **I. Meeting Venue**

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**SINPROQUIM - Sindicato das Indústrias de Produtos Químicos para Fins Industriais e da Petroquímica no Estado de São Paulo**

**Address:** Rua Rodrigo Cláudio, 185 - Bairro Aclimação

01532-020 - São Paulo - Brasil

**Tel:** +55 11 3287-0455

**Fax:** +55 11 3284-7999

### **II. Hotel**

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**EZ ACLIMAÇÃO HOTEL**

**Address:** Av. Armando Ferrentini, 668 – Aclimação

04103-030 – Sao Paulo - Brasil

**Tel:** +55 11 3346-7799

**Fax:** +55 11 3346-7783

[www.ezhoteis.com.br](http://www.ezhoteis.com.br)

**E-mail:** [reservas@ezhoteis.com.br](mailto:reservas@ezhoteis.com.br) (Ms. Vanessa Imparato)

The organisers will be in charge of coordinating hotel reservations of all the government delegates receiving UN financial support. These delegates will have reservations at the EZ Aclimação Hotel. For reasons of organization, logistics and the work of the meeting, it is advisable that participants stay at the official hotel of the meeting.

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Other delegates should make their own hotel reservations, indicating that they will be participants in the meeting in order to obtain the preferential rate the hotel has granted for this event (around US\$ 55).

**Please note that due to the date proximity to the F1 Grand Prix in Brazil, it is advisable to make your reservation *as soon as possible*.**

### III. Visas

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For information about visa applications, please refer to:

[http://www.braziltour.com/site/en/dicas\\_turista\\_passaporte/materia.php](http://www.braziltour.com/site/en/dicas_turista_passaporte/materia.php)

### IV. Airport

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International flights usually land on Guarulhos International Airport, which is located 25 kilometers from Sao Paulo downtown. Taxi and bus shuttle are available at the airport entrance as follows:

Taxi: Prepaid radio taxis serve the terminals.

Bus: Many hotels run a shuttle bus service. Maksoud offers a service that leaves every hour from Terminal 1, Diners Club room from 7am to 11am and from 3pm to 9pm.

The airport bus connects with Congonhas Domestic Airport and the city centre. There is also an executive city bus, for which tickets (R\$ 27,00) can be purchased in advance on the Arrivals floor (Airport Bus Service). For more information, please dial +55 11 6445 3811.

There are tourist information desks (tel: +55 (0)11 6445 2380 or 6445 4029) on the Arrivals floor of Terminals 1 and 2 and there are also two Infraero (Brazilian Airport Agency) information counters in both terminals.

### V. Business Hours

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Most offices open Monday thru Friday from 8am to 6pm. Main banks open Monday thru Friday from 11 am to 3pm. Automatic cash dispensers are normally available 24h/day.

### VI. Communication

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A great variety of telephone cards for local and international calls are sold at communication centres and newspaper stands. The rates vary, depending on the destination of your call. There are also many communication centres where international calls can be made, and Internet service is available in shopping centres and other places in the city. For calls from other countries, the international area code for Sao Paulo is + 55 11.

### VII. Tipping

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**Hotels:** Most hotels include tips with other charges in the invoice. However, waiters and other services (laundry, room service) are to be tipped when delivered.

**Restaurants:** Tips are customary, 10% being the norm.

**Taxis:** Tips are usually not expected, but most passengers round up to the next full amount when satisfied with the service.

## VIII. Money

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**Currency:** The official currency is the REAL (R\$). There are coins of 5, 10, 25, 50 CENTAVOS and 1 REAL. There are notes of R\$ 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50 and 100. The average exchange rate is US\$1 = R\$2,00. Money can be exchanged at the airport and in hotels and ATM machines are also available nearby the hotel area.

**Credit Cards:** Visa, Mastercard, Diners Club and American Express credit cards are accepted in practically all stores, restaurants, hotels, bars and night clubs.

## IX. Other Information

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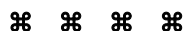
The **Metric System** is the only one used in Brazil.

**Electricity:** Voltage in Sao Paulo is 110 volts.

Should you rent a car, we strongly advice you to park at fee parking lots.

UN security tips for Sao Paulo:

<http://www.undss.bvs.br/uploads/documents/securitytips/saopaulosecuritytips.doc>



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