

2nd MEETING OF THE BRICS WORKING GROUP ON RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURE AND MEGA-SCIENCE PROJECTS

CNPEM, CAMPINAS-BRAZIL, 1-2 March, 2018

Date: March 1st - 2nd, 2018

Venue: Brazilian Center for Research in Energy and Materials (CNPEM), an institute of the Brazilian Ministry of Science, Technology, Innovation and Communication (MCTIC).

Organizer: Brazilian Ministry of Science, Technology, Innovation and Communication (MCTIC).

Address: Giuseppe Máximo Scolfaro, 10.000 - Polo II de Alta Tecnologia -
13083-970 – Campinas, São Paulo, Brazil.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

We are pleased to welcome the 2nd Meeting of the BRICS Working Group on Research Infrastructure and Mega-Science Projects at the Brazilian Center for Research in Energy and Materials (CNPEM), on March 1st - 2nd, 2018.

Please, find below some important information regarding travel arrangements:

1. Venue – Brazilian Center for Research in Energy and Materials (CNPEM)

The Brazilian Center for Research in Energy and Materials (CNPEM) is a private nonprofit organization located in Campinas, Brazil, which is funded by the Ministry of Science, Technology, Innovation and Communication (MCTIC). It is dedicated to cutting-edge research in materials, nanosciences, life sciences, physics, and chemistry through four National Laboratories: Synchrotron (LNLS), Biosciences (LNBio), Bioethanol (CTBE) and Nanotechnology (LNNano). The four laboratories are open facilities for external users and companies, from Brazil and abroad. They also have technical and scientific teams to provide support for projects, as well as to conduct joint research programs in biomass, green chemistry, drugs and cosmetics development, characterization of advanced materials, catalysts, etc.

About Campinas

Campinas is located in the heart of São Paulo state. It has an average altitude of 680 meters above the sea level. It is 96 km far from the city of São Paulo, the main financial center of Brazil. Campinas has been living its best moment since years, regarding its economic and social performances. Considering the 500 biggest global companies, 50% has branches in its metropolitan area. Campinas

surprises people by having a great quality of life. With more than 1 million inhabitants, this City has a diversified trade, large green areas and lots of opportunities for leisure, sport and culture. It is recognized as the Brazilian capital of Science, Technology and Innovation, with the major national centers of R & D & I and the university that produces more patents in Brazil, Unicamp (University of Campinas). It also has the only synchrotron light source in Latin America, which is operated by the Brazilian Synchrotron Light Laboratory (LNLS), part of the CNPEM. The climate is tropical but mitigated by elevation (Köppen type Cwa), with lower rainfall in winter and an annual average temperature of 21.3 °C. Winters are generally dry and mild, and summers rainy with warm to hot temperatures. The warmest month is February, with an average temperature of 24 °C, an average maximum of 29.1 °C and an average minimum of 19.0 °C. The coldest month July sees respective temperatures of 17.8 °C, and 24.2 °C and 11.4 °C average maximum and minimum. Fall and spring are transitional seasons.

2. Arriving at CNPEM campus, in Campinas, São Paulo:

Guarulhos Airport (Governador André Franco Montoro Airport): known as “Cumbica Airport”, is the main international airport in Sao Paulo State. It is located around 1h30 min from Campinas.

Viracopos International Airport (VCP) is a smaller airport, in Campinas. It is around half hour from the CNPEM Campus.

The event organizing committee will not provide transportation from the airports to Campinas. We recommend taking a taxi to your destination. The distance from GRU to Campinas is about 120 km and the taxi fare is about US\$ 130. The distance from VCP to the recommended hotels is about 35 km and the taxi fare is about about US\$ 45.

3. Suggestion for Accommodation:

Considering localization, quality and fee, the Local Committee suggest the following hotels:

- “Vitória Hotel Express”: Address: Rua Heitor Ernesto Sartori, 555 - Santa Genebra, Campinas - SP, 13080-650, www.vitoriahoteis.com.br; and

- “Matiz Barão Geraldo Hotel”, Address: Av. Albino José Barbosa de Oliveira, 1700 - Barão Geraldo, Campinas - SP, 13084-551, <http://matiz-barao-geraldo-hotel-campinas.hotel-ds.com/pt/>.

There is no grant to accommodation. Each participant should book accommodation on his own, using standard web searchers (booking.com, trivago.com and others). The cost of a single room including breakfast is about US\$ 90.

The Local Committee will provide a free shuttle bus between the suggested hotels, the CNPEM Campus and the restaurants during the event.

4. Daily Meals:

During the meeting, the main meals (lunches and dinners) will occur in typical Brazilian restaurants near CNPEM. The Local Committee will cover these food expenses during the event.

5. Visa:

To enter Brazil, normally, a foreign visitor needs to apply for a visa at the nearest Brazilian Consulate or Visa Centre in his/her country. Each country has a specific visa procedure. Brazil has agreement with some BRICS countries to facilitate the visa requirements. Even so, we strongly recommend you check with your local Brazilian diplomatic mission if you need to apply for a visa beforehand. Detailed information on visa requirements can be found at the following links (English and Portuguese):

- List of instructions for acquiring a visa to enter Brazil
<http://www.portalconsular.itamaraty.gov.br/vistos-para-viajar-ao-brasil>
- Information on Brazilian legislation and procedures to enter Brazil
<http://www.portalconsular.itamaraty.gov.br/legislacao-do-brasil>
- List of Brazilian Representations abroad and Representations in Brazil
<http://www.itamaraty.gov.br/en/brazilian-missions-abroad>

6. Currency and Banking:

Brazilian currency is the BRL. For additional information please review your respective exchange rate information at:

<http://www4.bcb.gov.br/pec/taxas/ingl/ptaxnpesq.asp?id=quotations>

7. Electricity



In Brazil, voltage is 110V or 220V depending on the city. In Campinas, voltage is 110V and 60 Hz. Bring plug adapters and voltage transformers for your electronics.

8. Official language

The meeting will be conducted in English. Interpretation service will not be provided.

9. Travel Information:

Information concerning arrival/departure (date, arrival time, flight number, airport) should be sent to Dr. Felipe Silva Bellucci (felipe.bellucci@mctic.gov.br) and/or Mr. Paulo Frank Bertotti

(paulo.bertotti@mctic.gov.br), both from Brazilian Ministry of Science, Technology, Innovation and Communication.

10. Further information

- For all other questions, please refer to:

- Dr. Felipe Silva Bellucci (felipe.bellucci@mctic.gov.br), Coordinator of Innovation on Converging and Enabling Technologies, Brazilian Ministry of Science, Technology, Innovation and Communication.

- Dr. Carlos Eduardo Higa Matsumoto (carlos.matsumoto@mctic.gov.br), Deputy Director, Office for International Affairs, Brazilian Ministry of Science, Technology, Innovation and Communications.

- Mr. Paulo Frank Bertotti (paulo.bertotti@mctic.gov.br), assistant in Science and Technology, Brazilian Ministry of Science, Technology, Innovation and Communication.

We kindly ask persons with reduced mobility to notify the Local Committee, in order to ensure their needs are met.