

11-13 June 2012 Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

General information

I. Seminar information

Venue

The Seventh Meeting of the United Nations Committee of Experts on Environmental-Economic Accounting (UNCEEA) will be hosted by the Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics (IBGE) from 11 to 13 June 2012 at the Teixeira de Freitas Auditorium, located at 706 General Canabarro Street, district of Maracanã, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

The meeting will discuss a detailed strategy for the global and regional implementation programme for the SEEA Central Framework taking into account different levels of statistical development. This strategy is developed at the request of the Statistical Commission following the adoption of the SEEA Central Framework as the first international statistical standard at its 43rd Session. The meeting will also review the first draft chapters of the SEEA Experimental Ecosystem Accounts and an annotated outline and draft materials on the SEEA Extensions and Applications as well as their project management framework leading to its finalization. In addition, the meeting will consider the progress in the drafting of SEEA Energy and the development of the energy statistics compilation manual.





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Registration

The opening session will start at 9:30 AM on Monday, 11 June 2012. Please be reminded to bring an ID to register in IBGE and receive a three day pass access.

Languages

The meeting will be conducted in English.

Internet and e-mail services

There will be free access to the Internet on the computers located in the lobby of the Teixeira de Freitas Auditorium.

Food

Coffee breaks and lunch will be offered every day.

Contact persons

The following persons may be contacted for logistics on the meeting:

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II. Travel

Visa requirements

Participants should contact Brazil embassies or consulates on visa requirements and obtain the appropriate entry permit where necessary as early as possible.

Vaccination

Participants may need to get a vaccine before visiting Brazil. Please see your health care provider at least 4 weeks before traveling.

Accommodation

The participants are responsible for their hotel reservation. The suggested hotel is Marina Place hotel; participants may contact directly the hotel for any additional information.

Marina Palace Av. Delfim Moreira, 630 Leblon

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Transportation

Tom Jobim International Airport: Phone: 55 (21) 3398-5050 located in Ilha do Governador, Rio de Janeiro – RJ, about 20 km from downtown.

The service of special taxis is recommended from the airport to the hotel. Vouchers may be purchased at the taxi stands in the Tom Jobim International Airport on the arrivals area. Only credit cards or reais are accepted. The taxi fare to the location of the hotel is approximately U\$55.

IBGE will offer shuttle service to and from the Marina hotel to the meeting venue. The shuttle bus will pick up the participants at 8:20 AM at the hotel lobby on the first day of the meeting. At the end of the meeting, the shuttle bus will take the participants from the meeting venue to the Marina hotel.



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III. Other practical information

Weather

The weather is warm during the days and cool at nights in June in Rio de Janeiro. Temperatures range from 19° to 25° Celsius or from 66° to 77° Fahrenheit. The auditorium is refrigerated at approximately 22°C or 76° Fahrenheit.

Money exchange

The participants may bring foreign currency or traveler checks, which may be exchanged into local currency, the Real. International credit cards are generally accepted.

Currency exchange is available at the airports and in some hotels. The exchange rate is approximately R\$ 2.0 for US\$ 1.0.

Electric system

Standard voltage in Rio de Janeiro is 110V.