LOGISTICS NOTE

DATE AND VENUE
The 2019 Americas Regional Ministerial Conference on Green Economy will be held during 24-26 June 2019, in Fortaleza, Brazil and will take place at Centro de Eventos do Ceará/ Ceara Events Center located at:
Av. Washington Soares, 999, Bairro Edson Queiroz, Fortaleza, Brazil | https://centrodeeventos.ce.gov.br/

ACCESS AND REGISTRATION
On-site registration and issuance of conference badges to all participants will begin on Monday, 24 June 2019 at 8 a.m. For identification and security reasons, all participants are requested to wear their meeting badges at all times.

OPENING OF THE CONFERENCE
The formal opening of the Conference will take place on Monday, 24 June 2019 at 9 a.m.
For further details on the program structure please visit: http://americas.rmcge.org/program-structure/

WORKING LANGUAGE AND INTERPRETATION
The working language of the Conference is English. Interpretation to Portuguese and Spanish languages will be provided during the Conference and the breakout sessions.

MEETING DOCUMENTS
Participants are requested to bring with them copies of the meeting documents that will be available at http://americas.rmcge.org

MEALS
Coffee breaks and lunches during the Conference will be provided at the meeting site for all participants.
An official Welcome Dinner will be hosted by the co-organizers in the evening of 24 June 2019.

LOCAL TRANSPORTATION
Participants should make their own transportation arrangements from Fortaleza Pinto Martins International Airport to the hotel. Detailed information about the airport can be found at https://www.aeroportofortaleza.net/en/

VISA REQUIREMENTS
Participants are responsible for the entry visas to enter Brazil.
Participants holding UN Laissez-Passer (UNLP) travelling on official business to Brazil are also REQUIRED to obtain an appropriate visa before entering. Please ensure you travel with both your UNLP and national passport.

Citizens of the following countries and territories may visit Brazil without a visa for 3 months:
Citizens of the following countries and territories may obtain a visa online:

- Australia
- Canada
- Japan
- USA

https://visareservation.com/brazil-visa/

**ACCOMMODATION**

Non-subsidized participants are responsible for their own hotel accommodation.

**ARRIVAL IN BRAZIL**

Any person who brings or takes an aggregate amount of foreign currency exceeding US$ 10,000 or its equivalent into or out of Brazil, shall declare such amount of foreign currency to a Customs Official.

**VACCINATION**

Brazil does not require multiple vaccinations or prophylaxis against malaria. Vaccines for typhoid and hepatitis A are recommended, but not compulsory.
SAFETY AND SECURITY

The crime rate in Brazil is very high. Avoid traveling at night, as there are increasing incidents of roadside robberies, both in rural and urban areas. Another area of concern is robberies and "quicknapping" at ATM facilities. Quicknapping involves the abduction of the victim in order to obtain a quick payoff from his/her family, or business, or ATM card.

Crime against tourists is especially prevalent during celebrations such as Carnaval, the Brazilian Mardi Gras, and in areas frequented by tourists like airports, hotels, and bus stops. Dress conservatively, hide jewelry, and keep your money in a money belt inside your clothes. Using the bus is not recommended, as robberies occur regularly on board. Present, as best you can, an air of confidence as you travel around Fortaleza. Any signs or intimations of helplessness may draw those who will easily take advantage of you.

In case of safety and security emergency or should you require any other assistance, please contact:

Police emergency: 190.
Tourist Police: + 55 85 3101-2488
Traffic Police: + 55 85 3101-4918
Fire emergency: 193
Medical emergency: 192

INSURANCE

The organizer does NOT cover insurance of the participants during their stay in Brazil. Participants are responsible for obtaining all necessary insurance.

CLIMATE

Daily high temperatures are around 86°F, rarely falling below 83°F or exceeding 88°F. Daily low temperatures are around 76°F, rarely falling below 73°F or exceeding 78°F.

VOLTAGE

The electric power in Brazil is 220V running at 50Hz and the plug types used are type C and N. Participants are strongly encouraged to carry their own adapters for use with laptops and other electrical appliances. In case of need, adapters can be purchased from shops in the city dealing in electronic and electrical items.

CURRENCY

The local currency is Brazilian Real (BRL). The UN exchange rate is: 1 USD = 3.967 BRL.

LOGISTICS FOCAL POINT

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