

ITU Forum on Conformance and Interoperability for the Americas region BRASILIA (Brazil) 12 – 15 June 2012



General Information

1. FORUM VENUE

Agência Nacional de Telecomunicações - ANATEL Auditorium Anatel – Bloco E – 2nd floor SAUS Quadra 06 Bloco E Brasilia/DF – Brazil

Website: http://www.anatel.gov.br

2. SUGGESTED HOTELS (Breakfast is included in negotiated rates) US Dollar exchange rate at COB on 10/05/2012, Thursday:¹

Date	Purchase	Sale
10/05/2012	1.9576	1.9581

Hotels	Preferential Rates	Location
5 ★ Meliá Brasil 21 SHS Quadra 6 - Bl. B, D e F- Asa Sul 70316 000 Brasilia − Brasil Tel.: (61) 3218-5519 Fax: (61) 3218-4703 www.melia.com	Single standard room: BRL 417,00 + 5% Tax (USD\$ 230 + Tax) Double standard room: BRL 479,00 + 5% Tax (USD\$ 264,00 + Tax)	The Hotel is located 13 km from Juscelino Kubitschek International Airport. The hotel is close to a number of leisure and entertainment venues, such as bars, restaurants and only 50 m distance from a shopping mall.
Hotel Melia Convention SHS Qd. 06 Conj. A Lote 01 Bloco D – Asa Sul 70316 000 Brasilia – Brasil Tel.: (61) 3218-5519 Fax: (61) 3218-4703 www.melia.com	Single standard room: BRL 370,00+5% Tax USD\$ 203 + Tax) Double standard room: BRL 425,00+5% Tax (USD\$ 234 + Tax)	The Hotel is located 13 km from Juscelino Kubitschek International Airport. The hotel is close to a number of leisure and entertainment venues, such as bars, restaurants and only 50 m distance from a shopping mall.

¹ Source: Banco do Brasil (http://www4.bcb.gov.br/pec/taxas/batch/taxas.asp?id=txdolar)

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Golden Tulip Brasilia Alvorada* SHTN Trecho 1 Bloco 1B Lotes A, B e C CEP: 70800-200 – Brasília – DF Tel. (+55 61) 3424-7000 Fax. (+55 61) 3424-7001 www.bhg.net	Single standard room: BRL 290,00 + Tax (USD\$ 159,00 + Tax) Double standard room: BRL 340,00 + Tax (USD\$ 187,00+ Tax)	The Hotel is located 17 km from Juscelino Kubitschek The hotel is located in North Hotels and Tourism Sector, at the side of Paranoá Lake, next to Palacio Alvorada, the official residence of Brazilian President.
Hotel Naoum Express** SHS Qd. 03 Blocos J CEP 70322-905 Brasilia – DF Tel.: 55 61 3212 4545 Fax.: 55 61 3212 4549 reservas@naoumhoteis.com.br www.naoumhoteis.com.br	Single standard room: BRL 240,00+10% Tax (USD\$132,00 +Tax) Double standard room: BRL261,00 + 10% Tax (USD\$144,00 +Tax) From Friday to Sunday Single standard room: BRL 180,00 + 10% Tax (USD\$99,00 +Tax) Double standard room: BRL 220,00 + 10% Tax (USD\$121,00 +Tax)	The Hotel is located 13 km from Juscelino Kubitschek International Airport. The hotel is close to a number of leisure and entertainment venues, such as bars, restaurants and only 50 m distance from a shopping mall.

^{*} The Hotel charges 10% of service fee, 5% of Tax and BRL 2,00 of Tourism daily fee.

3. TRANSFERS AND TRANSPORTATION

The distance from Juscelino Kubitschek International Airport to proposed hotels takes around 20 minutes by taxi (BRL 36, 00 - BRL 40, 00), approximately USD 25.00, with the exception of the Golden Tulip Brasilia Alvorada, which takes around 30 minutes by taxi (BRL50,00 – BRL60,00) approximately USD 33,00.

From Anatel (venue) to suggested hotels: It's a 10 minutes ride by taxi (BRL 10,00 - BRL 15,00), approximately USD 9.00, with the exception of the Golden Tulip Brasilia Alvorada, which takes around 20 minutes by taxi (BRL 25,00 – BRL 30,00) approximately USD 14,00.

Participants will be responsible for their own transportation.

The time estimated for the rides will depend if ride is made during rush hours – in this case the ride can last longer.

4. HEALTH CARE

Participants are recommended to take yellow fever vaccine ten days prior to their travel, even though it is not required by the Brazilian immigration.

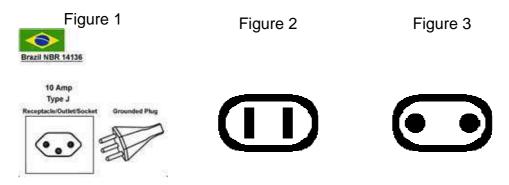
^{**} The hotel charges BRL2,50 of Tourism Fee.

5. CLIMATE

The temperature in Brasilia in June varies during daytime from 20 to 30°C and in the evening time from 18 to 20°C. Humidity is very low averaging around 36%.

6. ELECTRIC POWER

In Brasilia, electricity is 220 Volts at 50 Hertz, with a device that does not accept 220 Volts at 60 Hertz, and you will need a voltage converter. Brazil has recently changed its outlets and the following electric plugs are mostly like to be found outside Anatel Premises (hotels, etc.)



7. CURRENCY

Payments are made in local currency only. Banks are open from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on weekdays. Foreign currency and traveler's checks can be exchanged into Real in some specific banks in Brasilia (Banco do Brasil, Banco Central, Itaú Bank and Citibank). We recommend you to exchange money at the counters or bank agencies of Banco do Brasil located in the international airports of Rio de Janeiro, Sao Paulo and Brasilia.

Credit cards (VISA, MasterCard, American Express and Diners Club) are generally accepted at hotels, department stores and restaurants.

Tipping is a common practice in bars and restaurants. A normal tip is 10% of the price on the bill. Sometimes the tip is already included in the bill.

8. TIME DIFFERENCE

Local time: GMT -03:00

9. VISA INFORMATION:

Depending on your nationality, an entry-visa may be required by national authorities. Participants concerned are strongly advised to seek information on requirements applicable in their case from Brazilian embassies or consular missions in their home countries. Where a visa is required, applicants are strongly advised to apply as early as possible. For more information please visit:

www.portalconsular.mre.gov.br/antes/ggrv_simples_ing_23.12.2011.pdf

Please find at the link below the list of Brazilian Embassies and Consular missions: http://www.itamaraty.gov.br/o-ministerio/o-brasil-no-exterior

10. ABOUT BRASILIA

Brasilia, capital of Brazil is part of the Federal District, in the west central region of Brazil. It is situated in a savannah at an elevation of about 1100 m (about 3300 ft) and has a mild, dry climate.

Brasília is a city of striking modern appearance and was constructed (beginning in 1957) on an uninhabited site to replace crowded Rio de Janeiro as the national capital. The city layout, which was designed by the Brazilian urban planner Lúcio Costa, resembles a jetliner in shape. Along the "fuselage", are the offices of the national government; the "wings" contain blocks of residential apartment buildings and foreign embassies. At the nose of the "fuselage" is the Plaza of the Three Powers.

The presidential residence, **Palacio da Alvorada**, is set at the edge of a lake, which was formed by the damming of the Paranoá River and borders the city on three sides.

Estimated population:	Area: 5.782,80 km ²	Average altitude: 1.100 m
2.562.963 inhabitants		

Additional Information about Brasilia can be obtained at: http://www.embratur.gov.br