



ECONOMIC POLICY FORUM:
BRICS and their Neighbors – Inclusive Regional Economic Relations
Rio de Janeiro 12-14 March 2014

Program

Wednesday, 12 March

Windsor Excelsior Hotel

Afternoon/Evening	Individual Arrival and Airport Pick-up
19:00 – 20:00	Welcome Drinks at the Rooftop at the Windsor Excelsior Hotel Welcome Address Renato Baumann , Director of International Economics and Politics at IPEA
20:00 – 21:30	Welcome Dinner at the Windsor Excelsior Hotel

Thursday, 13 March

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09:30 – 10:00	Registration and Coffee/Tea
10:00 – 10:20	Welcoming Remarks Chair: Andre de Mello e Souza , Senior researcher in international economic and political relations, Ph.D. in Political Science, Stanford University, USA Renato Baumann , Director of International Economics and Politics at IPEA Paul Garaycochea , Director South America of the German Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Berlin
10:30 – 10:40	Introduction Antje Uhlig , Acting Executive Director of EPF
10.40 – 11:00	Round of Introduction/Breaking of Ice
11:00 – 12:30	Session I: Regional Integration in a Global Context Chair: Andre de Mello e Souza , IPEA The first session sets the scene for the overall topic of the conference by placing Regional Economic Integration into the broader global economic context. It will discuss how multilateral economic institutions and processes influence the Regional Economic Integration Policies of BRICS and other Emerging Economies. Kick-off Presentations (30 mins) and Discussion (1h) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Heribert Dieter, Senior Associate, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik (SWP), Berlin- Yose Rizal Damuri, Head of the Department of Economics, Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), Jakarta- Suparna Karmakar, Marie Curie Fellow, Bruegel, Brussels- Benedikt Heid, Junior Economist, Ifo Institute for Economic Research, Munich

12:30 – 14:00	Lunch – and time for informal exchanges at Café da Academia - Avenida Presidente Wilson, 203
14:00 – 15:30	<p>Session II: Regional Trade and Investment Agreements as Stepping Stones Chair: Catherine Grant, SAIIA The second session discusses the benefits and challenges of regional integration agreements. It will look at lessons from the experiences of regional organizations such as ASEAN, the EU, MERCOSUR, SADC and others. Kick-off Presentations (45 mins) and Discussion (1h)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ivan Oliveira, Coordinator of International Economic Relations, Institute for Applied Economic Research (IPEA), Rio de Janeiro - Nagesh Kumar, Chief Economist, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) - Sebastian Herreros, Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (CEPAL), Santiago de Chile - Eberechukwu Uneze, Executive Director, Centre for the Study of the Economies of Africa, Abuja - Daniela Campello (EBAPE)
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee/Tea
16:00 – 17:45	<p>Session III: Growth Poles, Special Economic Zones, Industrial Zones – Challenge or Enabling Environment? Chair: Catherine Grant, SAIIA This session focuses on industrial policies and their potentials in BRICS countries, for example, industrial policies as a tool to enable growth and competitiveness of domestic industries and their successful integration in the regional and global markets. Kick-off Presentations (45 mins) and Discussion (1h)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Leane Naidin, Researcher, BRICS Policy Centre (BPC), Rio de Janeiro - Igor Makarov, Researcher, Higher School of Economics, Moscow - Vivan Sharan, Associate Fellow, Observer Research Foundation, Delhi - Mariana Magaldi, Senior Researcher, Center for Research and Teaching in Economics (CIDE), Mexico - Mauricio Canêdo Pinheiro, Researcher, Brazilian Institute of Economics at Getulio Vargas Foundation (IBRE/FGV)
17.45 – 18:00	Wrap-up Sessions I-III
18:00 – 19:30	Back to Hotel and break before Dinner
19:30 – 20:00	Shuttle to Restaurant (location)
20:00 – 22:00	Gala Dinner , Porcão Rio, Porcão, Avenida Infante Dom Henrique
22:00	Shuttle back to the Hotel

Friday, 14 March 2014

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- 10:00 – 10:15 Recap of Day I
- 10:15 – 12:00** **Session IV: Regional Integration for Sustainable Infrastructure Development**
Chair: Eduardo Marques, FGV
This session will look at existing blueprints/practices of managing public goods which transcend national boundaries, such as rivers, lakes, forests, fossil fuel reserves etc., and opportunities and challenges for effective development and finance of linking infrastructure.
Kick-off Presentations (30 mins) and Discussion (1h)
- **Igor Makarov**, Researcher, Higher School of Economics, Moscow
 - **Jaya Josie**, Senior Research Manager, Human Science Research Council, Pretoria
 - **Atul Kumar Rai**, CEO and Managing Director, IFCI Ltd, Delhi
- 12:00 – 13:30 Lunch at Café da Academia - Avenida Presidente Wilson, 203
- 13:30 – 15:15** **Session V: BRICS and Beyond – Reshaping Global Trade, Investment and Financial Structures**
Chair: Samir Saran, ORF
The final session will be drawing from the discussions of the previous sessions. Taking into account the broader economic environment, it will particularly take a look at ways to strengthening intra-BRICS cooperation and integration.
Kick-off Presentations (45 mins) and Discussion (1h)
Lia Valls (IBRE)
- 15:15 – 15:30 Wrap up sessions III and IV
- 15:30 – 16:00 Coffee/Tea
- 16:00 – 16:30** **Concluding Remarks**
Chair: Andre de Mello e Souza, IPEA
Joint Paper Proposals. Outlook to BRICS Academic Forum
- 16:30 – 17:00 Formal Closing of the EPF
Marcelo Cortes Neri, Minister of the Secretariat of Strategic Affairs and President of IPEA
Harald Klein, General Consul of the German General Consulate, Rio de Janeiro (tbc)
Astrid Skala-Kuhmann, Director, Global Partnerships – Emerging Economies Department, GIZ Berlin

Saturday/Sunday, 15/16 March

Tourism and Leisure in Rio de Janeiro