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Natal, Rio Grande do Norte, Brazil – September 11 to 14, 2018

The Fifth and present UN/Brazil Symposium on Basic Space Technology is organized by the National Institute of Spacial Research (INPE), the Brazilian Space Agency (AEB), the Federal University of Rio Grande do Norte (UFRN) and the Federal Institute of Education, Science and Technology of Rio Grande do Norte (IFRN) on behalf of the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil.



Venue: The symposium venue will be the [Natal Central Campus of the Federal Institute of Education, Science and Technology of Rio Grande do Norte \(IFRN\)](#).

IFRN *Overview of* *Campus*

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Overview of Campus 2

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Main Auditorium Front view

All the presentations
of syposium will
be here.



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Main Auditorium Back view

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About Brazil



- **TIME ZONES**

Natal follows the same time zone of Brasilia (UTC/GMT -3).

- **CURRENCY**

The Brazilian currency is the “Real” and it is divided in “100 centavos” (cents).

- **HOLIDAYS**

Business holidays include New Year’s Day (1 January), Carnival (February or March; dates vary), Easter (March or April; dates vary), Tiradentes Day (21 April), Labor Day (1st May), Corpus Christi (June; dates varies), Independence Day (7th September), Our Saint Aparecida Day (12 October), All Soul’s Day (2nd November), Proclamation of the Republic Day (15th November), and Christmas (25 December).

About Brazil



- **CLIMATE**

The climate is humid and sub-tropical, with the dry season in winter. In the summer, the maximum average temperature is 32°C; and in winter, the minimum average temperature is 20°C. The average annual temperature is 25°C.

Spring (September – November) and Fall (April – May) are the two best seasons of the year with average temperature of about 26°C.

- **LANGUAGE**

The official language of Brazil is Portuguese, with different regional accents.

About Natal

Natal is the capital and largest city of the Rio Grande do Norte state, located in northeastern Brazil.



Getting around in Natal

- **PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION**

Public transport in Natal is made entirely by buses. One can use the Google Maps service to make their way around in public transportation. Unfortunately, public transportation is not recommended due to poor on-time performance.

- **BY TAXI**

Several individual taxi drivers and companys provide the taxi service.

Mobile apps that can request taxi service:



99 Taxi



Easy Taxi



99 Pop



Uber

- **PEER-TO-PEER RIDESHARING**

The following particular drivers services are available in the city through mobile apps:

Getting around in Natal

- Getting to and from Governador Aluizio Alves International Airport

Means of transport to and from Natal airport

Means	Description	Value	More information
Buses	Line “R” is operated by the company “Trampolim da Vitória” and it connects the airport and Natal city (Midway Mall in front of the symposium venue).	R\$ 4,20	https://goo.gl/tiWyDT
Van services	Several van companies offer transfer service between hotels and airport for a fixed price (that varies on hotel location). Their service is offered at the exit lobby after baggage carousel.	R\$ 50,00 - R\$ 80,00	-
Peer-to-peer ride sharing	Uber and 99 Pop offer peer-to-peer ride sharing from and to the airport. There is not a fixed value for rides (approximated value on the right column between hotels).	R\$ 60,00 - R\$ 120,00	-
Taxi	COOPCON serves the airport with private taxi transportation. There is not a fixed value for rides (approximated value on the right column between hotels).	R\$ 70,00 - R\$ 150,00	-

Getting around in Natal

Locations in Natal where attendees might be present.

Most important locations to attendees			
Location	Description	Distance to venue	Google Maps link
<u>Natal Central Campus of the Federal Institution for Education, Science and Technology of the State of Rio Grande do Norte (IFRN)</u>	Venue	-	<u>https://goo.gl/maps/RfQ29SH9HXP2</u>
<u>Hell's Barrier Launch Site</u>	Field Trip	16km	<u>https://goo.gl/maps/CFbyjZzRC8N2</u>
<u>Governador Aluizio Alves International Airport</u>	Airport	30km	<u>https://goo.gl/maps/aWwTGHLWYuz</u>

Google Maps with important UN/Brazil BSTI 2018 locations: <https://goo.gl/8GXykD>.

Accommodation

The Local Organizing Committee (LOC) has provided a list of recommended accommodation.

LOC list of recomended accomodation				
Name	Distance to venue	Distance to airport	Rating (stars)	Google Maps link
Praiamar Natal Hotel & Convention	9km	27km	4	https://goo.gl/maps/bgVu1se95Vs
Villa Park Hotel Natal	0,5km	19,2km	3	https://goo.gl/maps/ix1tAK68gmz
Holiday Inn Natal	1,8km	20km	4	https://goo.gl/maps/1qoRPwkcaGr
Praiamar Express Hotel	9km	27km	3,5	https://goo.gl/maps/aH2ibeMM1962
Hotel Parque da Costeira	7km	25km	4	https://goo.gl/maps/NZ8vMmaPqvq
Blue Marlin Apartments	9,4km	28km	3	https://goo.gl/maps/Eyn8phUHKww
Othon Suites Natal	4km	22km	4	https://goo.gl/maps/FVYJWpDgcS22

Accommodation

LOC presents below the pricing per person and per day for accommodation.

LOC list of recommended accommodation pricing

Name	Single standard	Double standard	Triple standard	Single deluxe	Double deluxe	Triple deluxe	Single master	Double master	Taxes
Praiamar Natal Hotel & Convention	R\$241,00	R\$268,00	R\$348,00	-	-	-	-	-	-
Villa Park Hotel Natal	R\$160,00	R\$180,00	-	-	-	-	-	-	+10% service tax
Holiday Inn Natal	R\$216,00	R\$253,00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Praiamar Express Hotel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hotel Parque da Costeira	-	-	-	R\$220,00	R\$220,00	R\$286,00	-	-	-
Blue Marlin Apartments	R\$178,00	R\$205,00	-	-	-	-	R\$185,00	R\$220,00	-
Othon Suites Natal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Other informations to attendees

- **Meals:**

The venue is located near Midway Shopping Mall that provides a large number of options to eat. There is a school restaurant at the venue that can be an low income option.

- **Welcome cocktail:**

All participants will be welcome to attend to a cocktail meeting at the venue after the Symposium inauguration in September 11th. *Need to present badge at event entrance

- **Social Diner Event:**

All participants will be welcome to attend to a social diner in September 12th. *Need to present badge at event entrance

Places to visit in Natal

Reis Magos Fortress



Morro do Careca



Dunas de Genipabu



Tourism Centre



Hell's Barrier Launch Site



Camarões Restaurant



Nau Restaurant



Tábua de Carne Via Costeira



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Event website

http://www.unoosa.org/oosa/en/ourwork/psa/schedule/2018/symposium_brazil_bsti.html