



Conference

Climate Change, Energy and Food Security

13-14 Nov. 2008, Rio de Janeiro

Nov. 13 – Open Seminar

Organizers

Brazilian Center for International Relations (CEBRI)
Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI), Canada
Centre for Global Studies (CFGS), Victoria University, BC, Canada

Local

Bolsa do Rio Convention Center (<http://www.bvrj.com.br/pages/cconvencoes>)

Program

08h30 Registration

9h00-9h15 **Opening** (CEBRI, CIGI, CFGS)
Speech: “Breaking Global Deadlocks” Project
Gordon Smith - Centre for Global Studies (CFGS)

9h15-11h00 **Panel 1:** Climate Change – Amazonia, environmental problems and biomass protection
Presenters:
Ged Davis - Global Energy Assessment Council, IIASA, Austria
Israel Klabin - Brazilian Foundation for Sustainable Development (FBDS)
Discussants:
Thelma Krug - International Cooperation Assistant, National Institute of Space Research (INPE), Brazil

11h00-11h15 Coffee break

11h15-13h00 **Panel 2:** Energy Security – renewables and biofuels
Presenters:
Jane Long - Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, USA
Suani Teixeira Coelho - Institute of Electrotechnics and Energy (IEE), University of Sao Paulo (USP), Brazil
Discussants:
George Weyerhaeuser - World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD), Switzerland
Henri Philippe Reichstul - President of the Brazilian Renewable Energy Company (Brenco), Brazil.

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13h00-14h30 Lunch

14h30-15h00 Keynote speaker: **Carlos Minc*** - Minister of Environment, Brazil

15h00-16h45 **Panel 3:** Food Security – consequences on food availability, prices and distribution

Presenters:

Nancy Birdsall - Center for Global Development (CGD), USA

Marcos Jank* - President of Sugarcane Industry Association (UNICA), Brazil

Discussant:

Mauro Lopes - Researcher on the Center for Agriculture Studies, Getulio Vargas Foundation (FGV)

16h45-17h00 Coffee break

17h00-18h30 **Panel 4:** Sustainability and Governance

Presenter:

Ramesh Thakur - Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI)

Luiz Felipe Lampreia – Honorary Vice-President of CEBRI

Discussants:

Federico Burone - International Development Research Centre (IDRC)

Marcel Biato - Advisor on Foreign Policy at the Office of President Lula

18h30 Closing Remarks

Eduardo Carvalho - Director of ETH Bionergia S/A

* To be confirmed

Challenges to be addressed

1. Climate Change

- Forests protection as a concern in the global emissions reduction agenda;
- Should forest countries be rewarded and/or penalized for their management of tropical forests as a means to promote sustainable development?
- Deforestation consequences on climate changes, rain patterns and agricultural production;
- What major market mechanisms may help conservation in the Amazon and how?
- Which should be the differences in incentives and rewards for reducing deforestation between middle-income countries and poor countries?
- What is the balance between strengths and weaknesses in emissions reduction policies?
- If Amazon governance were to be dealt with through market mechanisms, what roles would central government play?

2. Energy Security

- What policy mix should emerging economies adopt to avoid the negative aspects of climate change and to foster their sustainable development?
- Climate change and Biofuels: environmental impacts of biofuel production
- Biofuels revolution: a threat or an opportunity? Food importing countries and the price of commodities: value for biofuels X value for human food/livestock feed.
- Would there be coordination among international and national policy frameworks for environmentally sustainable power generation?

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- What governance framework would be best suited to deal with these challenges?
 - Could renewable energy integrate an alternative set of commitments to mitigate global warming that sound more attractive to developing countries?
3. Food security
- What mechanisms ought to be in place if we are to overcome global suspicion that biofuels cause food shortages?
 - Energy and Food Security: opportunities and challenges faced by developing countries;
 - Possible imbalance between production and consumption: exchange agricultural food production for fuel production.
4. Sustainable Development

Nov. 14 – Restricted Meeting: Breaking Global Deadlocks Conference

Local

Copacabana Palace Hotel (<http://www.copacabanapalace.com.br>)

Tentative agenda

9h00 - **Opening remarks**

9h15-11h15 - 1st Session: **Perspectives from Latin America**

Presenters: Andrés Rozental, Marcos de Azambuja, Federico Burone

11h15-11h30 - Coffee break

11h30-12h30 - 2nd Session: **Energy, Environment and Sustainable Development**

Presenters: Barry Carin, Luiz Felipe Lampreia, Eduardo Viola, Stefan Michalowski

12h30 - Lunch

14h00-17h00 - 3rd Session: **Global Institutions Architecture: the new role for the G20 (Finance)**

Presenters: Pedro Malan, Marcel Biato, Gordon Smith, Leonardo Burlamaqui*

16h30 - **Closing remarks**

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List of Participants

Andrés Rozental - Mexican Council on Foreign Relations (COMEXI)
Annette Hester - Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI)
Barry Carin - Associate Director, CFGS
Clint Abbott - Assistant Director of Globalization and Governance, CFGS
Denise Gregory - Executive Director of CEBRI
Eduardo Viola - Argentinean, professor at University of Brasilia
Elisabete Serodio - Fellow, Brazilian Center for International Relations (CEBRI)
Federico Burone - International Development Research Centre (IDRC)
Ged Davis - Global Energy Assessment Council, IIASA
George Weyerhaeuser - World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD)
Georges Landau - Brazilian Center for International Relations (CEBRI)
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Jane Long - Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory
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Leonardo Burlamaqui - Project Officer, The Ford Foundation
Luiz Felipe Lampreia - Ambassador, Honorary Vice-President, CEBRI
Marcel Biato - Ambassador, Advisor on Foreign Policy at the Office of President Lula
Marcos de Azambuja - Ambassador, Vice-President, CEBRI
Marcos Jank - Sugarcane Industry Association (UNICA)
Nancy Birdsall - Center for Global Development (CGD)
Paul Hunt - Canadian Ambassador to Brazil
Pedro Malan - Member of the Board, CEBRI
Ramesh Thakur - Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI)
Roberto Abdenur - Ambassador, Member of the Board, CEBRI
Stefan Michalowski - Head of the secretariat of the Global Science Forum at the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) in Paris
Tomas Zinner - Vice-President of CEBRI Board of Trustees

Observers:

Gabrielle Guimarães – Project Coordinator, Brazilian Center for International Relations (CEBRI)
Jennifer Swift – Project Coordinator, Centre for Global Studies (CFGS)
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