Logistical Information

“Bioenergy and Earth Sustainability”

1st Bioenergy Workshop of the Earth System Science Partnership (ESSP)

Piracicaba, Brazil
19–21 July 2008
22 July – field trip

Meeting Venue
ESALQ – Escola Superior de Agricultura “Luiz de Queiroz”
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Accommodation
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Brazilian Currency
American dollars (US$) can be exchanged for the Brazilian Monetary Unit, Real (R$), at approximately 1US$/1.60R$ (July 18, 2008). Major international credit cards are accepted at hotels, as well as most restaurants, shops and car rental agencies. Although one can exchange US Dollars for Real, either in cash or traveler checks at banks and travel agencies, we suggest Currency Exchange Bank at Sao Paulo (or Rio de Janeiro) International airports, overall during weekends.

Weather
Piracicaba is located at 22°50’ Latitude South and the average temperature at this time of the year is 19 °C (max 25 °C and min 10 °C). Precipitation in at ~30.1 mm for the month. Relative humidity is normally from 40 - 70 %
Transportation
The 1st Workshop "ESSP BIOENERGY" Organizing Committee will offer transportation Guarulhos Airport (GRU) – Piracicaba - Guarulhos Airport (GRU). Please, send your flight details to Jean Ometto (jpometto@igbp.inpe.br), cc to Patricia Guilhermitti (patricia@igbp.inpe.br) so that we can organize your pick up. Group transfer will also be provided to/from the meeting venue and the Bristol Center Flat at a suitable timetable, according to the meeting program.

Taxi Services from Piracicaba
Only in case of emergency or if you miss your organized pick up we recommend you take a taxi directly to Piracicaba. Mr. Cidinho:
Tel: +55 19 - 9144.0821
Guarulhos Airport - Piracicaba: cost is approximately – R$350,00
Bristol – ESALQ - Bristol: cost approximately – R$ 20,00

Credit cards
Using credit cards is safe and they are accepted in most large shops and restaurants in Piracicaba. However, it is recommended that participants use cash when purchasing from smaller shops and also to pay for taxis or small items.

N.B. It is better to pay for taxis in local currency because the exchange rate by taxi firms is normally higher than in a currency exchange booth (found at the airport).

Tipping
Tipping in Brazil is normally 10%. In restaurants it is included in the bill, so if you pay the amount due in the receipt you have already given the tip. In hotels, e.g. help with luggage, R$10.00 a good tip.

Expenses
Meals and transportation to/from the airport will be covered by the organization. For those participants being partially or fully supported by the organizers, reimbursement will take place shortly after the meeting upon receiving all original tickets for expenses; if agreed at the individual basis, the hotel accommodation may be already paid.

Miscellaneous Information
Electricity voltage:
Bristol Center Flat: 110V
Meeting Venue (ESALQ): 110V

Additional Information:

- Drugstores near symposium venue:

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- Hospitals near Conference venue: