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9th WORLD GENERAL ASSEMBLY
OF THE INTERNATIONAL NETWORK OF BASIN ORGANIZATIONS
FORTALEZA (BRAZIL) – FROM 13 TO 16 AGUST 2013

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"Better water management in basins to face the large global challenges"

INVITATION

Dear Madam, Dear Sir, Dear Friends,

I am pleased to confirm that the next 9th World General Assembly of the International Network of Basin Organizations - INBO - will take place in Fortaleza in Brazil from 13 to 16 August 2013, at the invitation of the National Water Agency (ANA) and the Brazilian Network of Basin Organizations (REBOB).

The World General Assembly of Fortaleza will be organized around large strategic topics to ensure, in the basins of local, national or transboundary rivers, lakes and aquifers, the necessary implementation of programs for facing large global challenges that are essentially population growth, food and energy demand or adaption to the effects of Climate Change, which will be dealt with in five round tables:

- Institutional frameworks for action of the Basin Organizations.
- Adaptation to the effects of climate change and prevention of extreme phenomena of floods and droughts.
- Participation of local authorities, water users and the public, role of the basin committees.
- Management of transboundary rivers, lakes and aquifers.
- Financing of water management and of basin organizations.

There will be simultaneous translation into English, French, Portuguese and Spanish.

Prior registration to the World General Assembly of INBO is free of charge but compulsory.

The meeting is open to all INBO Member Organizations and Permanent Observers, and also to all the water Administrations and organizations, interested in Integrated Water Resources Management at the level of river basins over the world.

You are invited to come and present a paper on your field experience.

The Members of INBO World Liaison Bureau are invited to a meeting on 13 August 2013 in the afternoon.

Any useful information, programs and proposed papers will be continuously available on the website: www.inbo-news.org, as well as on the REBOB website: www.rebob.org.br.

In order to facilitate the good organization of the meeting and your best welcoming in Fortaleza, please find herewith **the form necessary for your registration** and I thank you in advance for kindly returning it to me, at your earliest convenience:

- at INBO secretariat by E-mail : inbo@wanadoo.fr or by Fax : +33 1 40 08 01 45,
- as well in Fortaleza, to "Pratica Eventos": praticaeventos@praticanet.com.br

Thank you for registering in advance for the technical visit which will be organized on Friday 16 August the whole day. (Beware: departure will be early in the morning and return late in the evening).

I would advise you to arrive on Monday 12 August 2013 and, if your agenda allows it, to leave on Saturday 17 or Sunday 18 August 2013.

You will arrive at Fortaleza international airport. Practical information on transportation to your hotel will be sent to you later on.

Fortaleza has a pleasant climate in August and an ideal temperature (25-28 °C). Its sandy beaches are outstanding and the hinterland of the State of Ceará has interesting cultural, ecological and landscape attractions that could be worth lengthening your stay to discover them all.

Your hotel booking at group discount price could be made for you by our Brazilian hosts in the selected hotels in Fortaleza.

Our Brazilian hosts will take charge of the shuttles and local travels in the Fortaleza area, of the technical visit, together with lunches and dinners, from Tuesday 13 August evening to Friday 16 August noon included.

Unfortunately, INBO cannot take charge of your air travel expenses and hotel accommodation.

Finally, I remind you that the nationals of several countries will need **an entry visa to Brazil** and possibly **an entry visa for the "European Schengen Area"** (if you arrive through a European airport) which must be obtained before your departure from your country.

I am pleased to see you again in Fortaleza, next August, and I remain,

Yours faithfully.

Jean-François DONZIER
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View of the fishermen's port of Fortaleza

