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### GEOSYNTHETICS SOLUTIONS FOR A FAST-CHANGING WORLD

After been held in Mexico in 2008, Peru in 2012 and the USA in 2016. GeoAmericas comes to Brazil in its 4th edition, which will be held in April 2020 in Rio de Janeiro. In addition to a rich technical program focused on the most relevant topics for the technical community of geosynthetics today, several social events and a wide area available for technical exhibits for the geosynthetic industry will be offered. English is the official language, but activities in Spanish and Portuguese will also compose the event's program. We anticipate over 1,000 participants from more than 30 countries, which ensures both broad representativeness and a plurality of cultures and markets.

#### YOU ARE MORE THAN WELCOME TO GEOAMERICAS 2020.



"We are delighted to announce GEOAMERICAS 2020, the 4th PAN AMERICAN CONFERENCE ON GEOSYNTHETICS, which will take place in Rio de Janeiro from 26 to 29 of April 2020. The Brazilian Chapter, who had the honor of receiving the geosynthetics international community in 2010, is very happy to be able to welcome you again in the amazing scenario of the 'Wonderful City', willing to provide everyone a meeting of great technical quality, stimulating opportunities for exchange of knowledge and information."

Delma de Mattos Vidal Chairwoman of the GeoAmericas 2020 Organizing Committee

"After 10 years of the 9ICG, held in Guarujá in 2010, GeoAmericas 2020 promises to be an excellent opportunity for geotechnical and geoenvironmental engineers to get updated on recent developments in geosynthetic products and applications. Those interested in the geosynthetic discipline cannot miss it!"

> Ennio Marques Palmeira Honorary President of GeoAmericas 2020

"We are not only proud to have the honor of organizing one more big conference for the IGS community, but also very motivated and confident that we will be able to do a good job on the organization and to deliver an unforgettable event, beyond everyone's expectations.

André Estêvão Silva President of IGS Brazil / Secretary General of GeoAmericas 2020

#### IMPORTANT DATES

- 11/26/2018 beginning of super-early bird registrations and abstracts submission
- 02/26/2019 acceptance of abstracts and beginning of submission deadline
- 04/26/2019 beginning of early bird registrations
- 06/26/2019 deadline for submitting papers
- 12/26/2019 deadline for submitting corrected papers
- 01/26/2020 deadline for early bird registrations
- 04/26/2020 conference opening

# **EXHIBITION AREA**



+30

+1.200 m<sup>2</sup>

### PARTICIPANTS

## **TECHNICAL SESSIONS**

### **PLENARY SESSIONS**

#### REGISTRATIONS

There will be three stages to register on the conference. Registration will be available exclusively on the event's website. Prices will be published starting NOVEMBER/2018. We can already anticipate registration fees will be lower than in the 2016 edition of GeoAmericas.

#### SPONSORSHIP

Sponsorship quotas in different categories will be available from SEPTEMBER/2018. The number of sponsorship quotas and booth spaces is limited. The commercial proposal regarding sponsorship opportunities is available on the event website. You can also request it by email: geoamericas2020@geomaericas2020.com.





### GEOSYNTHETICS SOLUTIONS FOR A FAST-CHANGING WORLD

This will be the motto of GeoAmericas 2020. In the 4th edition of the Pan -American Geosynthetics Conference, we intend to establish a forum to discuss how geosynthetics can contribute to modern society in the face of its challenges and demands.

Some topics should guide the themes of technical sessions and the other activities in the event program:

Geosynthetics in the infrastructure of developing countries Geosynthetics in environmental protection and sustainability Geosynthetics in the viability of renewable energy sources Geosynthetics in mining and production of basic resources Quality policies and practices by the geosynthetics market

We also intend to promote a discussion about IGS role in disseminating knowledge and in broad education about the correct use of geosynthetics.

Get involved!



### Rio de Janeiro

Rio de Janeiro is a cosmopolitan city. It is the second largest city in Brazil, with a population of about 6 million people, and the most known and important destination for foreign tourists.

Globally recognized as the "Wonderful City", it is truly unique in many ways, especially for its exuberant nature, pleasant climate and for presenting one of the most beautiful coastal zones of Brazil, perhaps the world. Copacabana, Ipanema, Leblon and Barra da Tijuca are just some of the many beautiful beaches of Rio. Christ The Redeemer, Sugar Loaf, Tijuca Forest, and Maracanã Stadium are some of Rio's remarkable landmarks. Also worth mentioning is the historical patrimony, dated from Brazil's colonial period.

Rio's gastronomy is another high point. But it is the typical Brazilian cuisine that stands out among so many options inspired by all the cuisines of the world. And, of course, Rio offers all the hotel, shopping, entertainment, mobility and transportation facilities that Brazilian or foreign tourists require for a visit to the Marvelous City to be unforgettable.







Windsor Expo Convention Center



GeoAmericas 2020 will be held at the Windsor Expo Convention Center, on the Barra da Tijuca beach, one of the most charming parts of Rio de Janeiro. Windsor Expo Convention Center is one of the largest and most modern centers for large events in the city of Rio de Janeiro. There are about 9,000 m<sup>2</sup> of area and 150 rooms of different sizes. WECC is by air-conditioned interconnected walkway to the 5-star Windsor Barra Hotel and the 4-star Windsor Oceanic. Together, they offer almost 800 standard, comfortable apartments.

#### ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

Delma Vidal - Organizing Committee Chairwoman

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### We look forward to having you here!



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Every month, on the 26th, we will share news about the organization and the conference. Stay tuned!