

MARCH
20-22

RIO DE
JANEIRO



CEM & MI IN RIO

Clean Energy Ministerial 14 Senior Officials Meeting
Mission Innovation 8 Annual Gathering

LOGISTICS NOTE

LOGISTICS NOTE

CEM14 Senior Officials' Meeting and MI-8 Annual Gathering

20-23 March 2023, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

ABOUT THE EVENT	3
Meeting Venue	4
Accommodation	5
Registration and Badges	5
Meals and Social Activities	6
Airport Transfer	6
Other Considerations	6
Contact Person	6
GENERAL TRAVEL INFORMATION FOR BRAZIL	6
Travel Documents and Passport	6
Visas	7
Covid-19 Regulations	8
Other Vaccinations	8
Nature and Climate in Rio de Janeiro	9
Safety and Security in Rio de Janeiro	9
Electricity Supply	10
Currency and Banking	10
Health	10
Drinking Water	10
Emergency Phone Numbers	10

ABOUT THE EVENT

■ Day 1 - Monday 20 March (8:00-18:30 BRT)

The Clean Energy Ministerial's Senior Officials' Meeting (CEM Preparatory Meeting) begins on Monday 20 March at 08:00 local time (BRT) with an action-packed agenda focused mostly on CEM-specific areas of work. The meeting provides an excellent opportunity for the CEM community - including member countries, workstreams, observers and partners - to convene in person and strategically discuss how to prepare for this year's Ministerial Meeting and how the CEM working groups can address the most pressing challenges of the energy transition while becoming more ambitious and impactful.

Day 1 offers a wide range of different interactive formats, such as open and closed-door plenary sessions, working group meetings, technical deep dives at workstream level, as well as strategy sessions on core elements of CEM sectors, governance and CEM as an institution. As we enter a phase where CEM hosts are co-hosting these meetings with their respective G20 presidencies, this meeting also provides delegates with an opportunity to discuss how best to leverage the work and activities of the CEM to achieve positive high-level policy outcomes through concurrent G20 processes. There will also be a series of MI workshops on the day exclusively for participants who are not involved in the CEM meetings. Further information on this will be communicated by the MI Secretariat to the persons concerned.

■ Day 2 - Tuesday 21 March (8:00-19:00 BRT)

Day 2 will be a joint CEM-MI Day convening Senior Officials and accompanying delegates from all member countries that reflects on a stronger collaboration between CEM and MI. Following on from the first ever CEM and MI Joint Ministerial Meeting in Pittsburgh (Global Clean Energy Action Forum), both communities have agreed to the value and opportunities inherent in deeper collaboration. In addition to hearing India present its plans and vision for the 2023 Ministerial meetings, during this Joint Day Senior Representatives will hear updates on the Breakthrough Agenda and plans for COP28. A number of side events will bring the CEM and MI communities together around topics of common interest with potential for ongoing collaboration and impact. This is a particularly high profile day for Brazil as hosts, where the CEM and MI memberships will hear updates on Brazil's clean energy transition, as well as more broadly in Latin America.

■ Day 3 - Wednesday 22 March (8:00-18:30 BRT)

The MI Annual Gathering is the key meeting for Senior Representatives to review, discuss and set MI's strategy and workplan for the year ahead, as well as to share insights on national priorities and strengthen their network of senior clean energy innovation leaders.

The programme has been designed to allow the Mission Innovation community to advance with its strategic priorities for 2023. In addition to a plenary meeting of Senior Representatives of member countries and collaborating organisations, all attendees will have the opportunity to join interactive small group discussions around the key challenges and opportunities. We will engage with Senior Representatives around our key priorities of Missions, Insights and Reach. There may also be CEM side events on Wednesday.

■ Day 4 - Thursday 23 March (10:00-16:00 BRT)

We welcome CEM and MI delegates to join the following site visits options:

a) Operation Centre - National System Operator (ONS)

The visit opens with a presentation on the scenario in which the ONS is inserted, the players in the Brazilian Power Sector and the interface between them, passing through the updated configuration of the National Interconnected System (SIN) and the Isolated Systems (SISOL). Then, the group is taken to the Observatory, with a privileged view of the operation room, the team in action and the panel. The presenter provides an overview of the functioning of the room and the details and information accompanied in real time via the screen.

Other details:

- Limited to 30 people per group (a pre-registration form will be available soon).
- Two visit groups will be available (from 10 to 12am or from 14 to 16pm).

b) Under confirmation.

A second site visit option is being considered. Further information will be provided soon by the hosts.

Meeting Venue

The Conference venue is Sheraton Grand Rio Hotel & Resort. More information about the hotel can be found at its [website](#).

All agenda sessions, side meetings and plenary discussions will be held at this venue. Located on the beach in Brazil, Sheraton Grand Rio Hotel & Resort is Rio de Janeiro's only beachfront resort with an extensive recreational area, spa, and amenities. Tucked between trendy Barra da Tijuca and famed Ipanema Beach, the hotel offers extensive business facilities in a tropical setting.

Sheraton Grand Rio Hotel & Resort

**Avenida Niemeyer, 121, Leblon,
Rio de Janeiro – RJ, Brazil. Zip
code: 22450-220.**

Phone: +55 21 2274-1122.

Sheraton Grand Rio Hotel & Resort provides participants with 538 air-conditioned rooms that feature views of the Atlantic Ocean and Leblon Beach. Guests can also count on a complimentary shuttle from the hotel that takes them to local beaches, Leblon and Rio Sul's shops. The hotel is located 2.2 km from Antero de Quental metro station, 15 km from Santos Dumont Airport, and 35 km from Antonio Carlos Jobim International Airport (Galeão). The hotel offers the following services:

- High-speed internet by free Wi-Fi
- 24-hour front desk concierge services
- 24-hour room service

CEM & MI IN RIO

Clean Energy Ministerial 14 Senior Officials Meeting
Mission Innovation 8 Annual Gathering

- 5 different restaurants (for lunch and dinner)
- Bicycle rental
- Spa services
- Fitness centre
- Excellent lighting and air conditioning
- Swimming pool and sports facilities
- Direct access to the beach (towels, beach umbrellas and chairs also available)

Accommodation

A special reservation rate is available for CEM and MI participants at the Sheraton Grand Rio Hotel & Resort. Participants are responsible for making their own reservations. More information about the special rates, reservation and booking conditions, can be found at the link below.

[Click here to book your group rate
for CEM & MI in Rio at Sheraton](#)

The hotel has blocked 200 rooms at this special rate to accommodate delegates. The link for reservation will remain available **up to 24 February**, which will secure rooms from Sunday 19 March through to checkout on Thursday 23 March. All rates have breakfast included.

Participants also have the possibility to book alternative lodging options near the meeting venue, such as hotels located in areas of Leblon and Ipanema, which are closer to the venue (15-20 minutes by Uber or taxi). Hotels located at Copacabana are a bit more distant (20-30 minutes by Uber or taxi, depending on traffic). Since the access to the venue is possible only by a single route (Niemeyer Avenue), we strongly recommend delegations to stay at the Sheraton, for a more relaxed experience.

Registration and Badges

Only delegates that pre-registered to attend (by completing and returning the Registration Form), and received a confirmation email from the hosts, will have access to the CEM and MI meetings. Upon arrival at the event venue, participants should check in at the registration desk, which will be operational at the venue since March 19, to receive individual name badges which will be required to enter CEM and MI meetings. Information on the location and opening times of the registration desk will be communicated with the pre-read material in advance of the meetings.

Each delegation should be limited to **one** Head of Delegation plus a maximum of **three** additional delegates for both CEM and MI. Delegations attending both may therefore register a maximum of eight

people overall. We also recognise that some delegations have significant workstream engagement and may wish to have larger delegations. If this is the case for your delegation, please contact us at cem-mi-rio@epe.gov.br and we will work with you to accommodate any requests.

Meals and Social Activities

Lunch and coffee breaks will be provided for CEM and MI delegates on all three days (20-22 March). Evening meal will be provided during the cocktail that will take place on Tuesday March 21, more information to follow. Delegates are asked to indicate any special meal requirements in the online registration form. More information will be provided in the Briefing Pack and upon arrival.

Airport Transfer

Each participant should organise their own transportation between the airport and the hotel. It is suggested that participants use Uber or official taxis for this. Uber services are regular in Rio and also available for both airports. We advise that you pay for taxis with cash to avoid the risk of credit card fraud. The usual fare is between BRL 55-70 (from Santos Dumont Airport) and BRL 85-110 (from Antonio Carlos Jobim International Airport). Please, note that Sheraton Rio does not offer airport transfer services.

Other Considerations

- **Language:** The CEM and MI Meetings will be conducted in English.
- **Dress Code:** Business attire is required throughout both CEM and MI meetings.

Contact Person

We would be glad to answer any additional questions. Please contact:

- **Brazil Host - contact person for accommodation and logistics:** cem-mi-rio@epe.gov.br
- **Brazil Host - contact person for visa invitation letters:** cem-mi-rio@epe.gov.br
- **CEM:** secretariat@CEMSecretariat.org
- **MI:** secretariat@mission-innovation.net

GENERAL TRAVEL INFORMATION FOR BRAZIL

Travel Documents and Passport

Check with your travel provider to make sure your passport and other travel documents meet their requirements. Your passport should be valid for a minimum period of six months from the date of entry into Brazil.



Visas

Most CEM and MI member countries are exempt from visa requirements. We kindly ask all delegates to double check the visa requirements for their country [here](#) and we provide the below solely for reference. Nationals of the countries **not listed on the table below must apply** for a travel visa. Nationals of countries listed below are exempt from applying for a visa for Brazil for stays up to 90 days (unless stated otherwise):

- European Union
- Albania (90 days during a 180-day period)
- Andorra
- Antigua and Barbuda
- Argentina*
- Armenia
- Australia
- Bahamas
- Barbados
- Belarus
- Belize
- Bolivia*
- Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Canada
- Chile*
- Colombia*
- Costa Rica
- Dominica (90 days during a 180-day period)
- Ecuador*
- El Salvador
- Fiji
- Georgia (90 days during a 180-day period)
- Grenada
- Guatemala
- Guyana
- Honduras
- Hong Kong
- Iceland
- Indonesia (up to 30 days)
- Israel
- Jamaica
- Japan
- Kazakhstan (up to 30 days)
- Liechtenstein
- Macau
- Malaysia
- Mexico
- Monaco
- Mongolia
- Montenegro (90 days during a 180-day period)
- Morocco
- Namibia
- New Zealand
- Nicaragua
- North Macedonia (90 days during a 180-day period)
- Norway
- Panama
- Paraguay*
- Peru*
- Philippines
- Qatar
- Russia
- Saint Kitts and Nevis
- Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
- San Marino
- Serbia
- Seychelles (90 days during a 180-day period)
- Singapore (up to 30 days)
- South Africa
- South Korea
- Sovereign Military Order of Malta
- Suriname
- Switzerland (90 days during a 180-day period)
- Thailand
- Trinidad and Tobago
- Tunisia
- Turkey
- Ukraine (90 days during a 180-day period)
- United Arab Emirates
- United Kingdom
- United States
- Uruguay*
- Vatican City
- Venezuela* (up to 60 days)

* Citizens of these countries may enter with only their ID cards.

For those delegates whose nationalities are not listed above, we ask that you go through a formal visa

application process for a short-term **Visa**. Please note that **e-Visas to foreign nationals are no longer issued**. For further information about visas, please enquire at your [closest Brazilian Consulate](#) about the specific visa requirements. As soon as your registration is confirmed by the Secretariat, will you receive a personalised invitation letter to be presented along with your visa application. If you require any visa assistance, please contact cem-mi-rio@epe.gov.br.

Covid-19 Regulations

If you are traveling to Brazil, you must show valid proof of one of the following on entry:

Travellers who are fully vaccinated are not required to take an additional COVID-19 test to enter Brazil. When travelling to Brazil you will only need to present a **Vaccination Certificate** to the airline before boarding and during travel. Your vaccination status must meet the Brazilian authorities' validity period requirements. The [Brazilian National Health Surveillance Agency \(ANVISA\) website](#) (in Portuguese) lists the forms of acceptable proof of COVID-19 vaccination (this includes all vaccines from the [Brazilian Health Authority](#) or the WHO such as Moderna, Oxford/AstraZeneca, and Pfizer/BioNTech vaccines). Please note that the Vaccination Certificate must be presented in paper form or digitally, in English, Portuguese or Spanish language. Your final vaccine dose must have been administered at least 14 days prior to travel. The vaccination certificate must show your full name of the vaccinated person, name of the vaccine used, batch number, dates of vaccinations. Vaccination certificates consisting only of a QR code will not be accepted.

Travelers who are NOT fully vaccinated can only enter Brazil by air or land by presenting one of the following documents: Either the **Proof of a Negative PCR test** or a **Negative Antigen Test**, taken no more than 24 hours before boarding or entering by land; OR a **Proof of Recovery**. The Proof of Recovery includes *two negative COVID-19 tests*, with an interval of at least fourteen days, the last being performed up to one day before the moment of departure/entry into the country; and a *Medical certificate* containing the signature of the responsible physician and that you are asymptomatic and able to travel, with the date of travel). All forms of proof must be presented in English, Spanish or Portuguese and shown to airline staff at check-in.

Regulations on entry change frequently with the pandemic situation. We advise that you monitor and regularly check the current entry requirements for Brazil again shortly before departure from the [official authorities in Brazil \(National Health Surveillance Agency\)](#). Information about detailed measures and detailed Covid statistics from the Brazilian government can be found [here](#).

Other Vaccinations

- **COVID-19:** All eligible travelers should be up to date with their COVID-19 vaccines. The required minimum vaccination is two doses (or single dose depending on the vaccine) taken at least 14 days prior to departure. At this time, **all travelers are required to wear masks while inside aircrafts and at Brazilian Airports**.

- **Confirm primary courses and boosters are up to date:** Make sure you are up-to-date on all routine vaccines before every trip, some of these vaccines include *Chickenpox (Varicella)*, *Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis*, *Flu (influenza)*, *Measles-Mumps-Rubella (MMR)*, *Polio*, and *Shingles*.
- **Other vaccines to consider:** *Hepatitis A*; *Rabies*; *Typhoid*; *Yellow Fever*.
- **Selectively advised vaccines - only for those individuals at highest risk:** *Hepatitis B*.

In this country Chikungunya, Dengue fever, Malaria and the Zika virus are prevalent. A good protection against mosquito bites in the daytime is necessary. In this country mammals could be infected with [Rabies](#), we thus recommend to avoid contact with mammals.

Nature and Climate in Rio de Janeiro

The weather in Rio between December and March is warm and sunny. Below are a few averages that describe the weather in Rio de Janeiro in the month of March:

- **Temperature:** The average temperatures in March in Rio vary between 22.9 - 28.3°C / 73.2 - 82.9°F.
- **Humidity:** The average relative humidity in March is 81% and there are on average 12 rain days. Storms, usually by the end of afternoons, are also common at this time of the year.
- **Heat index:** In March, the average heat index is calculated to be a tropical 33°C (91.4°F). Take special precautions - heat exhaustion and heat cramps are expected. Heatstroke may occur with lengthy activity.
- **UV index:** In March, the average daily maximum UV index is 6, representing a high health risk from unprotected exposure to Sun's UV rays for the average person. We advise you to take precautions against overexposure.

Safety and Security in Rio de Janeiro

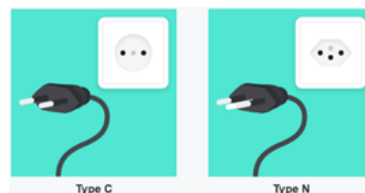
While in Rio, it is advisable to follow safety precautions:

- Avoid walking through deserted streets in the city centre or on the beach at weekends/holidays/ after business hours/at night. Visiting any Favelas of Rio de Janeiro, including those in the South Zone area and the centre, is strongly discouraged. Hikes in the natural parks in and outside the city should, if possible, only be undertaken in groups and on marked and busy paths.
- Prefer taxis to public transport at night. In city traffic, keep the vehicle windows closed, the doors locked and stow valuables out of sight.
- Pay for taxis and other services in cash to avoid any risk of credit fraud.

- Keep cash, ID cards, driving licenses and other important documents safe, e.g. in the hotel safe, and only carry copies.
- Refrain from wearing flashy clothes, watches and (fashion) jewelry and do not wear or show watches and smartphones visibly in public.

Electricity Supply

In Brazil, the power plug sockets are of Type N (see image, the plug which has three round pins). Type N is used in Brazil and South Africa. This socket also works with plug C (plug with two round pins). Brazil operates on a 127/220V supply voltage and 60Hz. The power supply in Rio is 127V (in case you're travelling to other Brazilian cities, power supply may be 220V). Please use a voltage converter, if the local voltage exceeds the maximum voltage of your appliances.



Currency and Banking

The national currency is the Real (BRL). Major international credit cards are accepted throughout the country. Cash withdrawals with international credit cards or EC-Maestro cards are still possible at appropriately marked ATMs (e.g. Citibank, Banco 24Horas, Banco do Brasil, Bradesco). The amount of money that can be withdrawn daily from cash machines is usually limited to between 500 and 2,500 BRL (depending on the bank and region of Brazil). Alternative ways of obtaining cash should be considered. V-Pay cards are not accepted outside Europe. In the event of failed cash withdrawals from ATMs, it is essential to keep the bank receipt issued, as sometimes the foreign account is debited anyway. In particular, watch out for devices that could be used to copy the cards or record the typing of the secret numbers.

Health

Travel insurance is recommended for all delegates visiting Brazil. An emergency medical support unit will be available at the meeting venue. Foreign nationals are entitled to emergency medical treatment in Brazilian public hospitals. Private hospitals will not accept you unless you can present evidence of sufficient funds or insurance. Make sure you have adequate travel health insurance and accessible funds to cover the cost of any medical treatment abroad and repatriation. If you need emergency medical assistance during your trip, dial 192 and ask for an ambulance. You should contact your insurance/medical assistance company promptly if you are referred to a medical facility for treatment.

Drinking Water

Problems have been reported with the tap water supply in Rio de Janeiro. To avoid associated health risks, delegates are advised to drink bottled water during their stay.

Emergency Phone Numbers

Police emergency: 190

Fire Services: 193

Emergency Medical Assistance: 192

CEM & MI IN RIO

Clean Energy Ministerial 14 Senior Officials Meeting
Mission Innovation 8 Annual Gathering

Sponsored by



Supported by



MINISTÉRIO DE
MINAS E ENERGIA

MINISTÉRIO DAS
RELAÇÕES
EXTERIORES



In partnership with

