

Southern-Summer School on Mathematical Biology

16 - 28 January 2012

GENERAL INFORMATION SHEET

LOCATION: São Paulo, Brazil

Venue: IFT-UNESP – Rua Dr. Bento Teobaldo Ferraz, 271 Bloco II 4th floor – Barra Funda

REGISTRATION: Visitors who have not registered at the hotel are kindly requested to complete registration formalities at the **IFT-UNESP 4th floor**. **ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST COMPLETE REGISTRATION FORMALITIES.**

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School Programme and ground transportation instructions are available at www.ictp-saifr.org/mathbio. Please print the PDF Version.

ICTP-SAIFR NAME BADGE

You will receive your badge at the moment of registration.

You are kindly requested to wear the name badge during the activity at the ICTP-SAIFR.

BOARDING PASS – All participants, whose travel has been financed by the institute, should bring the boarding pass in the first day, and collect an envelope to send the return boarding pass to the institute.

MEAL COUPONS AND SUBWAY TICKETS (*only for participants whose subsistence costs are covered by the Centre*). Meal coupons are issued by the Secretariat office, after you have completed the registration form. There are two restaurants where the meal coupon is accepted: IFT-UNESP Canteen or Bistro do Memorial da América Latina. **IFT Canteen** is located next to the IFT's building.

Bistro do Memorial da América Latina: It is located at Memorial da América Latina, which is at the other side of Terminal Barra-Funda. From the turnstiles of Terminal Barra-Funda, turn right and walk until the first ramp on your left-hand side, walk down the ramp and you will see the Memorial da America Latina on your left-hand side. It takes around 10 minutes walking.



Avenida Auro Soares de Moura Andrade, 664 - Barra Funda, São Paulo, 01156-001

CERTIFICATES OF ATTENDANCE – Only participants with 100 % of attendance will receive the certificate.

IFT LIBRARY 09.00 - 17.00 (Mon-Fri) Located at IFT-UNESP building - first floor.

Emergency telephone (ONLY FOR URGENT MATTER): (11) 8233-8671

TIPS

1- General Information

São Paulo is a very big city and as any other big city in the world, it is very easy to get lost or to have trouble finding nice places to go. Even though it seems like a huge mess, you will soon find yourself understanding how to manage it. Below you'll find some information for you to have a nice time here.

The building of IFT-UNESP is located close to one of the main public transport, Barra-Funda Terminal. It means that almost any place in the city can be reached easily from it, including Pousada Zilah, which is close to one of the most important avenues of the city, Avenida Paulista. Its neighborhood is called Jardins and the other side of Paulista Avenue is called Bela Vista. This avenue is the business and cultural heart of São Paulo and for this reason you may find many interesting options for eating or hanging out. Another good option is Parque do Ibirapuera which is a 30 minutes walk from Avenida Paulista and is the biggest park in the city. There is also a modern art museum called MASP on 1578 Avenida Paulista.

2- International calls

Hotel charges are certainly high for international calls, but you may buy cards in some newsstands located at Avenida Paulista or in Post Offices. Another option to call from Brazil to abroad is to use a service offered by EMBRATEL (a Brazilian phone enterprise), called "Call Home Direct". With Call Home Direct, the phone calls are charged in your own country, to the destination number or to a phone card of the international operators. Just ring the Call Home Direct number via Embratel corresponding to the destination country. Access to service is free of charge through public, wire line and cellular phones. Here is a list of some country codes (if your country does not appear in the list, see

http://www.embratel.com.br/Embratel02/cda/portal/0,2997,RE_P_314,00.html

Here is a list of the countries present at the school:

- Argentina - 0800 890 5421 or 0800 890 5422 or 0800 890 5423 or 800 890 5424 or 0800 890 5411 or 0800 890 5432
- Canada - 0800 890 0014
- China - 0800 890 8611
- Colombia - 0800 890 5711 or 0800 890 5723
- Ecuador - (no number available on the website) contact Andinatel
- Peru - 0800 890 5111
- Singapore - 0800 890 6512
- United Kingdom - 0800 890 4411
- Uruguay - 0800 890 5981 or 0800 890 5983
- USA - 0800 890 0012 or 0800 890 0011 or 0800 890 8000 or 0800 890 0288

– Venezuela - 0800 890 5811.

3- ATM

If you want to withdraw some money from your personal account abroad (via the CIRRUS network), you should go to the ATMs at Citybank, there's one at 1776 Avenida Paulista (the big blue building). Any other ATM will not work. You may withdraw money with your credit card from any normal ATM if it has a small Visa, Mastercard, etc. Many of them are located inside the banks and you may find a lot of them at Paulista Avenue.

4- SAFETY

The region near the hotel is relatively safe but just to minimize any risk please remember these simple safety tips:

- Be careful crossing the street. In Brazil, cars ignore pedestrians.
- Do not carry along your original passport, but have some identification card or a copy of it.
- Do not take along more cash than you need, use the safety box of your hotel.
- Avoid walking alone at night, and dark areas.
- Places like Praça da Sé, República, São Bento, Luz may be very dangerous at night, if you want to visit it, choose daytime and remember to be careful.
- In case of contact with criminals NEVER fight back, just give your wallet.
- It is always better to know your precise destination, how to go and how to come back, before leaving.
- In case of any trouble contact organizers of the school. You can call contact them free from any payphone by dialing 9090 before the number.

– Nadia Roque(office): 3393-7839

– Nadia Roque(home): 2387-2545

– Roberto Kraenkel (office): 3393-7821

– Nathan Berkovits (home): 3283-0649

– Nathan Berkovits (work): 3393-7818

5- Exchange Rate

Exchange rate bureau located at Paulista Avenue:

Confidence Corretora de Câmbio S/A

Av Paulista, 2027, Pis Tr Lj 100 C, Bela Vista, São Paulo - SP, 1311300

TEL.: **51888333, (11) 8007-712203**

www.confidencecambio.com.br

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Av Paulista, 2202, Sj Sl 1, Bela Vista, São Paulo - SP, 1310300

TEL.: **32883588, (11) 3288-9093**

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TEL.: 32814600, (11) 3266-5320, (11) 3266-5321
www.fluxocc.com.br

6- COMPUTER FACILITIES

Computers with an Internet connection will be available in a computer lab on the third floor of the IF. They can be used for checking e-mail etc. However, it will not be possible to print from them. The IFT also has four wireless networks named IFT1A, IFT2A, IFT3A and IFT4A. The password required to connect them will be given at the school. The hotel has free wireless network in all the common areas.