BRICS Network University Meeting 2019

Preliminary Program

✉ Date: Aug. 5th-9th, 2019
✉ Venue: Institute of Economics, University of Campinas, Brazil

History and Objectives:

For historical, economic and political reasons, the universities of BRICS countries have not yet developed strong collaboration. Trying to cover this gap, the Ministries of Education of BRICS countries implemented in 2015 the BRICS Network University (BRICS NU).

Involving some of the top universities in the five BRICS countries, the objectives of this network are:

• in the short term, enhance the academic collaboration between universities of the five countries through joint-researches and mobility of students and scholars;
• in the middle-term, create joint Graduate programs issuing diplomas that will be valid for the five countries, and prepare high-qualified staff for the BRICS multilateral institutions;
• in the long-term, enhance scientific development according to the necessities of non-central countries; in this sense, it may give a contribution for “reshaping the world knowledge”.

BRICS NU is organized in six strategic axes: BRICS studies; Computer science and informational security; Ecology and climate change; Economics; Energy; and Water resources and pollution treatment (https://nu-brics.ru).

Unicamp takes part in the axes Economics and BRICS studies. Since the presidency of BRICS this year is Brazilian, the University of Campinas – with the support of its Rector and its International Office – will hold a BRICS NU Meeting in the axe of Economics, from August 5th to 9th, 2019.
Activities:

1) Administrative meetings BRICS NU (Aug 8th-9th)

2) Research Seminar (Aug 7th)
   a. Scholars Seminar
      Call for papers: Abstracts for late May; papers for late July.
   b. Students Seminar
      Winter School participants who want to present their researches. Professors taking part in the Winter School will be discussants of the students’ presentations. The student’s best presentation will receive a prize.

3) Winter School (Aug 5th-9th)

   • International students (mostly from BRICS countries)
   • Professors from Brazil, Russia, China and South Africa
   • Keynote Speakers:
     o Prof. Robert Guttmann, University of Paris 13 (France) and Hofstra University (USA) – Confirmed
     o Prof. Paulo Nogueira Batista Jr., former Vice-President of the New Development Bank (NDB) – Confirmed
     o Mr. Celso Amorim, former Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Brazil) – To be confirmed
   • 30 hours
   • Certificates for the students
   • Field study: visit to a company from a BRICS country operating in Brazil (e.g. CPFL)

   Keynote speeches:
   o Multipolar capitalism: Prof. Robert Guttmann (University of Paris 13 and Hofstra University)
   o The New Development Bank: Prof. Paulo Nogueira Batista Jr. (former vice-president of NDB)
   o The diplomatic construction of BRICS: Mr. Celso Amorim (former Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Brazil) – tbc

   Lectures:
   o Brazilian Economy: Prof. André Biancarelli (IE/Unicamp, Brazil)
   o Russian Economy: Prof. Alina Shcherbakova (HSE, Russia)
   o Chinese Economy: Prof. Luo Chuliang (BNU, China)
   o Indian Economy: Prof. Fábio Luís Barbosa (Unifesp, Brazil)
   o South African Economy: Prof. Ruthira Naraidoo (University of Pretoria, South Africa)
   o Trade and investments within BRICS: Prof. Célio Hirituka (IE/Unicamp)
   o Belt and Road Initiative: Prof. Bruno De Conti (IE/Unicamp, Brazil)
o Inequalities in BRICS countries: Prof. Bernardo Campolina (UFMG, Brazil)
o Donor Aid and Remittances in Africa: Prof. Mark Ellyne (UCT, South Africa)
o Demographic trends in BRICS countries: Prof. Roberto do Carmo (IFCH/Unicamp, Brazil)
○ Migration and migration policies in BRICS countries: Prof. Sergei Ryasantsev (MGIMO, Russia)
○ Youth in BRICS countries: Prof. Tom Dwyer (IFCH/Unicamp, Brazil)
○ Brazilian culture and society: tbc (IFCH/Unicamp, Brazil)
○ Chinese culture: Prof. Gao Qinxiang (BJTU and Confucius Institute, China)

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