



**CLIMATE CHANGE, IMPACTS AND VULNERABILITIES IN BRAZIL:
PREPARING THE BRAZILIAN NORTHEAST FOR THE FUTURE**

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FIRST CALL

We are pleased to invite you to the International Symposium on CLIMATE CHANGE, IMPACTS AND VULNERABILITIES IN BRAZIL: PREPARING THE BRAZILIAN NORTHEAST FOR THE FUTURE (CCIV2012), to be held in *Natal*, State of *Rio Grande do Norte*, Brazil, from May 27th to June 1st, 2012.

The goal of this symposium is to create an initiative of human resources formation and research in the northeast of Brazil related to the area of Climate Sciences. This initiative aims at fostering two-way knowledge advancement and transfer by inspiring national and international cooperation activities, with focus on global climate change, and adaptation to extreme climate events resulting either from natural climate variability and/or from human-induced factors that may transform the environment.

The symposium will have sessions with invited oral contributions by established international and national scientists of the area of Climate Sciences, and poster sessions for all other participants, covering the following topics: (a) Ocean-Atmosphere Interaction; (b) Extreme Events and the Coastal, Tropical, Semi-Arid Regions; (c) Atmosphere and Oceans Instrumentation; (d) Climate Modelling; (e) Environmental and Social Mitigation Measures and Adaptation. The symposium will be opened with an ice-breaker on Sunday, May 27th and an invited symposium dinner will take place on May 29th.

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We have set up an event page (<http://www.ccet.ufrn.br/index.html/>) for further information, but of course we make ourselves available to provide any further information or clarifying specific questions with respect to our symposium. So, if you

need further information, please don't hesitate to contact the organizing committee via the e-mail address: mciv-neb@ccet.ufrn.br

We hope that we can count with your important collaboration, and be able to welcome you soon in the pleasant city of Natal.

