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Sustainable Solutions  
Science for Sustainability

## Dialogue for Sustainability (D4S)

First German-Brazilian Conference on Research for Sustainability

13 March 2009 – Transamerica Expo Center, São Paulo, SP, Brazil

Programme



Igniting ideas!

## Dialogue for Sustainability (D4S) Sustainable Solutions – Science for Sustainability.

Research for sustainability is an important aspect of the German sustainability strategy. Given the global dimensions of many sustainability-related challenges, research for sustainability needs to be linked to international policies and international sustainability research. In this context, the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) has proposed the establishment of a dialogue on research for sustainability with Brazil and other important emerging countries (Dialogue for Sustainability) to develop a joint strategy for long-term research on sustainability issues. Together with the Ministry for Science and Technology (MCT - Ministério da Ciência e Tecnologia) the first conference entitled „Science for Sustainability: The potential for German-Brazilian cooperation on sustainability-oriented research and innovation“ will take place at the Transamerica Expo Center, São Paulo, SP, Brazil, March 13th 2009.

The objectives of the dialogue include:

- to intensify bilateral cooperation in research in the area of sustainability directing it to future themes.
- to develop jointly with Brazil a long-term and strategic agenda of research cooperation centred on sustainability,
- to develop joint contributions to a global (multilateral) agenda of research in the field of sustainability;
- to contribute to the implementation of research results and dissemination of high-tech products for sustainability

In order to initiate and take forward joint activities under the dialogue, BMBF and MCT jointly organize the first of a series of research workshops bringing together researchers, industry representatives and other stakeholders to discuss those issues at a scientific level. The objectives of the first workshop are to exchange views on key challenges and opportunities for sustainability-oriented innovation; to foster networking and collaboration among scientists in both countries; to develop a roadmap for the dialogue and to identify topics for possible joint research projects.

## Science for Sustainability: The potential for German-Brazilian cooperation on sustainability-oriented research and innovation

Programme:

- 9.00 **Welcoming remarks**  
Achim Zickler (BMBF), David Oren (MCT)
- 9.15 **Session 1:  
Science for Sustainability: Brazilian and German experiences**  
Moderation: José Goldemberg (USP)  
Keynote Germany: Rainer Walz (Fraunhofer Institute ISI)  
Comment Brazil: José Cassiolato (UFRJ)  
Keynote Brazil: David Oren (MCT)  
Comment Germany: Uwe Menzel (EDUBRAS)
- 9.45 Open discussion
- 10.00 **Session 2:  
Science for Sustainability: Challenges**  
Moderation: Franz Makeschin (Dresden University of Technology)  
Keynote Germany: Sonia Chapman (BASF S.A.)  
Comments Brazil: Carlos Eduardo Frickmann Young (UFRJ), Norma Ely (UEPA)  
Keynote Brazil: Carlos Bloch (Embrapa)  
Comments Germany: Erik Gawel (UFZ), Jörg Bialas (IFM-Geomar)
- 10.50 Open discussion
- 11.30 Coffee break
- 11.45 **Session 3:  
Suggestions for future priorities of the German-Brazilian cooperation in Science for Sustainability – panel discussion**  
Moderation: Manfred Denich (ZEF) and Ademar Romerio (UNICAMP)  
Inputs Brazil:  
José Paulo Molín (ESALQ), Claudio Mahler (Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro)  
Inputs Germany:  
Armin Werner (ZALF), Dieter Bryniok (Fraunhofer-Institute IGB)
- 12.45 Closing remarks of the workshop
- 13.00 Joint lunch