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AGENDA

October 23, 2025

09:00 – 9:30 **WELCOME AND REGISTRATION**

HIGH-LEVEL INAUGURAL SESSION

09:30 – 10:00 **Ashwani K. Muthoo**, *Director General*, Independent Evaluation Office (IEO), NDB
Pe. Anderson Antonio Pedroso, S.J., *Dean*, Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro (TBC)
Isabel Rocha de Siqueira, *Director*, Institute of International Relations (IRI), PUC-Rio
Wesley Matheus, *President-director*, Brazilian Network for Monitoring and Evaluation, and *Secretary of Policy Monitoring and Evaluation and Economic Affairs*, Ministry of Planning and Budget.

SESSION 1

CHALLENGES IN THE “INFRASTRUCTURE AND CLIMATE AGREEMENTS” AGENDA: PREPARING THE GROUND FOR COP 30

10:00 – 12:00 **Focus:** Discuss opportunities and challenges in evaluating resilient and sustainable infrastructure projects from the perspective of development banks and financial institutions.
Introduction (15') and **Moderator:** **Henrique Pissaia**, *Principal Professional*, Independent Evaluation Office, NDB
Guests
Dr. MD Tauhedul Islam, *ndc, PhD, Ambassador of Bangladesh to Brazil*
José Graziano da Silva, *Director General at Instituto Fome Zero*
Ludmila Silva, *Senior Professional*, Americas Regional Office, NDB
Sandro Peixoto, *Impact Evaluation Manager*, BNDES

12:00 – 13:00 **BRUNCH BREAK**

SESSION 2

EVALUATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE

13:00 – 14:30 **Focus:** This session aims to highlight the experiences of actors from local contexts affected by infrastructure projects, addressing social and environmental impacts not anticipated in initial studies. It will also discuss how to involve local actors in all phases of evaluation.



Seminar on evaluation of infrastructure interventions: **Overcoming the gap for sustainable development**

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Moderator: *Maria Elena Rodriguez, Deputy Director, BRICS Policy Center*

Guests:

Ricélia Marinho Sales, *Professor of Environmental Sciences, Federal University of Campina Grande, Pombal Campus, Paraíba.*

Frede Vieira, *Movement of Dam-Affected People (MAB).*

Adriana Ramos - *Senior environmental policy specialist and coordinator of the ISA's Socio-Environmental Policy and Law Program. She serves on the board of the Climate Observatory and serves on the boards of several organizations.*

SESSION 3

CHALLENGES AND PATHWAYS FOR INCLUSIVE EVALUATION OF INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

14:30 – 16:00

Focus: This roundtable will discuss the challenges, gaps, and opportunities at different stages of infrastructure project evaluation in Brazil. The goal is to deepen understanding of how to contribute to more democratic, transparent and effective evaluations, promoting better socio-environmental outcomes.

Moderator: *Igor Carneiro, Senior Evaluation Expert*

Guests:

Renata Motta Café, *Fiscal Management Specialist, Inter-American Development Bank*

Adriana Fonseca Braga, *PhD in sustainability, global health, and urban solid waste, specialist in the implementation of socio-environmental projects and programmes*

José Vivaldo Mendonça Filho, *Director of Revitalization, Codevasf*

Sara Macedo, *Consultant Social Development, World Bank Group*

16:00 – 16:30

NETWORKING COFFEE

CLOSING SESSION

16:30 – 17:00

Ashwani K. Muthoo, *Director General, Independent Evaluation Office (IEO), NDB*

Isabel Rocha de Siqueira, *Director, Institute of International Relations (IRI), PUC-Rio*

Márcia Joppert, *Director for Articulation and Communication, Brazilian Monitoring and Evaluation Network*