

## G20/GPFI Side Event:

# Powering Growth: Unlocking MSME Finance Through Policies, Innovation and Partnerships

Thursday, March 14th, 2024

8:30 am – 17:00 hr. (Brazil Time)

Venue: Banco Central do Brasil Headquarters: Setor Bancário Sul (SBS) Quadra 3 Bloco B, Brasília - DF

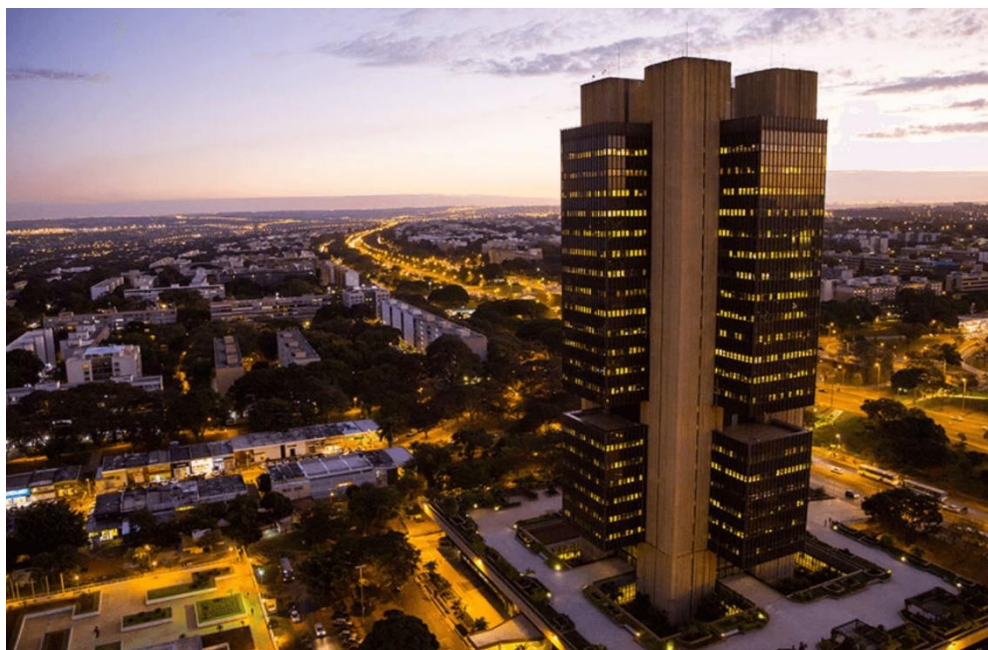
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## VENUE

**Banco Central do Brasil:** The Central Bank Headquarters Building, opened in 1981, represented, like no other, the evolution of the Brazilian economy in recent decades, with currency stabilization and inflation control. Recognized throughout the country, seen from any point in the federal capital and a symbol of a nationally and internationally respected institution, it is also one of the most important monuments in Brasília's architectural complex.

Address: SBS Q. 3 Bloco B - Asa Sul, Brasília – DF.

[Address from Google Maps](#)



## ACCOMMODATION

The G20 Presidency recommends the following hotels in Brasília.

### **ROYAL TULIP BRASÍLIA ALVORADA / GOLDEN TULIP BRASÍLIA ALVORADA**



Royal/Golden Tulip Brasília Alvorada Contact: +55 61 3424-7000 or [df.reservas@goldentulip.com.br](mailto:df.reservas@goldentulip.com.br)

Location: Setor de Hotéis e Turismo Nortel; Trecho 1, Conjunto 1B – Blocos A e B - Brasília, Brasil. Site: <https://royal-tulip-brasilia-alvorada.goldentulip.com/en-us/>

When contacting the reservation office, we suggest informing the participation in a G20 meeting.

Additional info: The reservation office of Royal and Golden Tulip Brasília Alvorada is available from Monday to Friday 09:00 - 18:00 and Saturday 10:00 - 15:00 (BRT)

## MELIÁ BRASIL 21



MELIÁ BRASIL 21 Contact: +55 61 32184700 or [melia.brasil21@melia.com](mailto:melia.brasil21@melia.com)

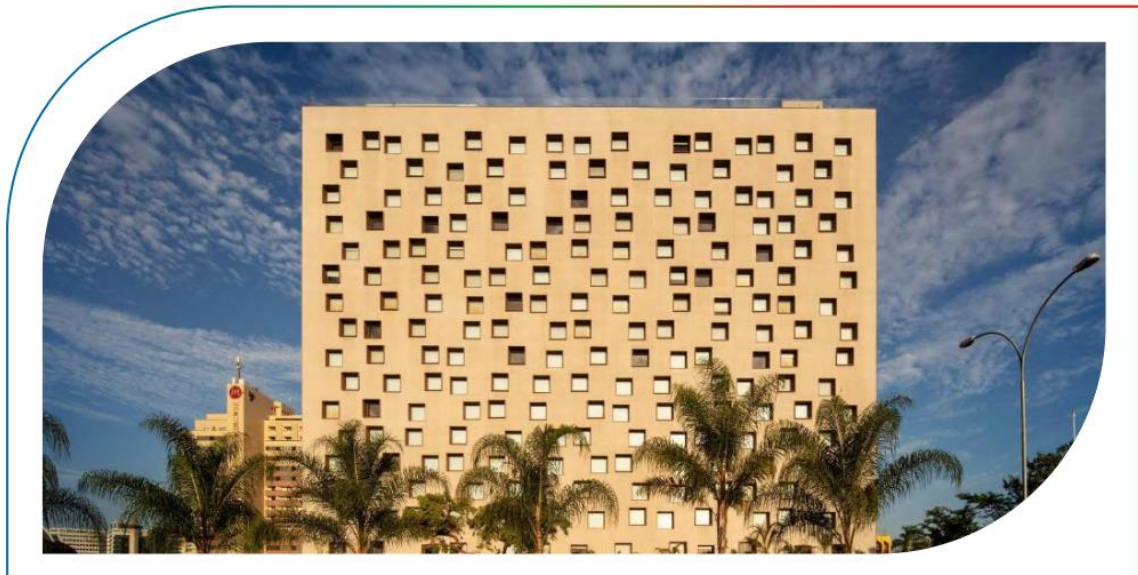
Location: Setor Hoteleiro Sul; Edifício Brasil 21; Quadra 6 - Conjunto A - Bloco D - Asa Sul – Brasília, Brasil. Site: <https://www.melia.com/pt/hoteis/brasil/brasilia/melia-brasil-21>

Reservations:

<https://sites.melia.com/en/events/melia-brasil21/G20BRASIL.html?author=true>

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## B Hotel



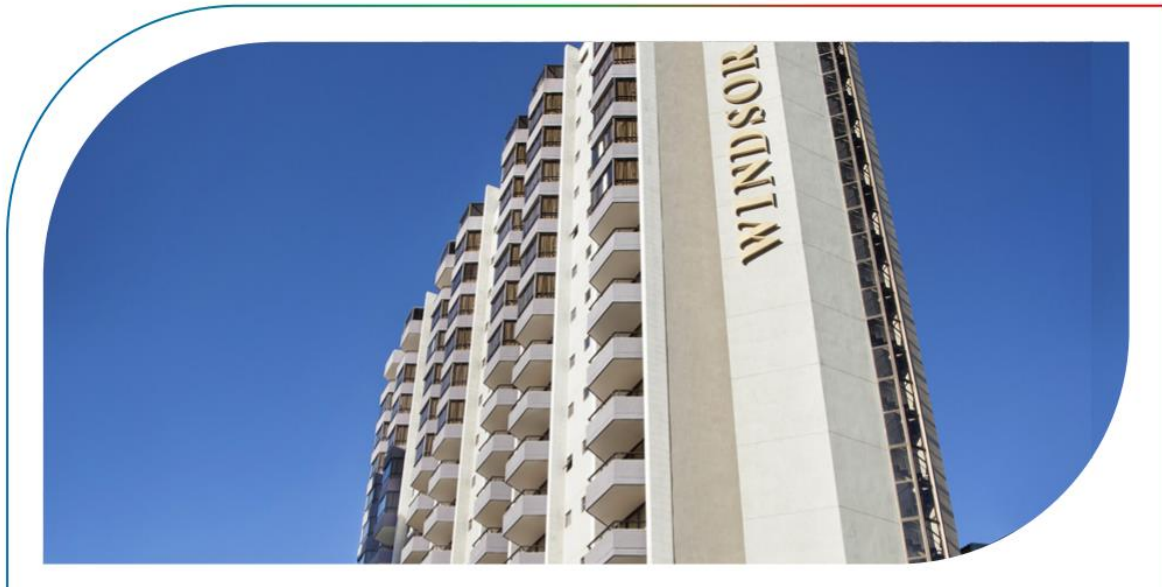
B Hotel Contacts: +55 61 3962-2600 or +55 61 3962-2000

Location: Setor Hoteleiro Norte; Quadra 5 - Lote L - Bloco J - Asa Norte - Brasília, Brasil. Site: <https://bhotelbrasil.com.br/10/>

Reservations: <https://bhotelbrasil.letsbook.com.br/d/publiclink?r=3b534ee40f8243aab0c82ab5105498ef&p=SHERPAS>

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## Windsor Plaza Hotel



Windsor Plaza Hotel Contacts: +55 (61) 2195-1100 or [centraldereservas@windsorhoteis.com.br](mailto:centraldereservas@windsorhoteis.com.br)

Location: Setor Hoteleiro Sul; Quadra 05, Bloco H – Asa Sul - Brasília, Brasil. Site: [www.windsorhoteis.com](http://www.windsorhoteis.com)

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## VISA REQUIREMENTS

Brazil has visa exemption agreements, for stays of up to 90 days, for holders of Diplomatic and Official/Service Passports with the following G20 Member States: Argentina, China, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Republic of Korea, Russia, South Africa, United Kingdom, and Turkey.

Regarding holders of Regular Passports, there are visa exemption agreements for visits of up to 90 days with the following G20 Member States: Argentina, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Republic of Korea, Russia, South Africa, United Kingdom, and Turkey (30 days in the case of Indonesia).

Nationals from Australia, Canada and the United States are exempt from visa requirements until April 10, 2024.

For further information, please check the visa requirements by country - <https://www.gov.br/mre/pt-br/assuntos/portal-consular/QGRVsimplering12JAN24.pdf>.

In the case of members of the G20 delegations who will also participate in the GPFI Plenary, an accreditation letter will be provided automatically after registration in a specific system. In the case of other participants, who will only participate in the side event and who need a letter from the organization for visa purposes, we kindly ask that you send an email with this request to [gphi2024@bcb.gov.br](mailto:gphi2024@bcb.gov.br).

## IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS

Brazilian authorities will facilitate and expedite immigration procedures for foreign delegates participating in G20 meetings.

Brasília hosts an international airport (BSB Aeroporto Internacional de Brasília Presidente Juscelino Kubitschek) with connections to Buenos Aires (Aerolíneas Argentinas), Lima (LATAM), Panama City (COPA), Miami (GOL), Orlando (GOL) and Lisbon (TAP).

For those who will have a connection at São Paulo, please be advised that waiting times at São Paulo/Guarulhos International Airport may be longer than usual. We kindly ask you to allow extra time for flight connection procedures.

If you are entering the country through another connection, please take note that all international passengers arriving in Brazil must pick up their luggage at the airport of entry to customs clearance. After immigration procedures, pick up your luggage, go through customs, and then drop it off at the domestic carrier transfer deck. After that passengers will have to go to the domestic flight gate.

## PLACES TO VISIT

### **SQUARE OF THE THREE POWERS**

The Square of the Three Powers is the political center stage of the country, hosting the headquarters of the three powers of the State: the Planalto Palace (Executive Power), the National Congress (Legislative Power) and the Federal Supreme Court (Judicial Power). The Square and the buildings that surround it are the work of Oscar Niemeyer and Lúcio Costa.

Opened in 1992, Espaço Lúcio Costa is a themed museum dedicated to the architect, urban planner and professor Lúcio Costa, winner of the National Competition for the Brasília Pilot Plan, who defined the city's project.



### **NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE REPUBLIC / METROPOLITAN CATHEDRAL**

The National Museum of the Republic (MuN) is part of the Cultural Complex of the Republic, together with the National Library of Brasília, and was inaugurated on December 15, 2006. MuN's mission is to promote visual arts for all audiences, and to be a space to encourage curiosity, raise awareness and produce knowledge. The Metropolitan Cathedral - Nossa Senhora Aparecida or simply Brasília's Cathedral, is



a Brazilian Catholic temple and the chair of the Archdiocese of Brasília. Its architecture was designed by Oscar Niemeyer and is considered to be his masterpiece.



## **BANCO DO BRASIL CULTURAL CENTER**

The Banco do Brasil Cultural Center aims to bring together, in one place, all possible forms of art and creativity. The place has large living spaces, bistro, art galleries, cinema room, theater, central square and gardens, where exhibitions, musical shows, film screenings and performances are held.



## **TV TOWER**

The TV Tower is a visual landmark in Brasília, capable of offering a broad view of the city's organization. It is the second tallest structure in Brazil, at 230 meters high. The project was signed by Lúcio Costa, architect and urban planner who designed Brasília.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Currency and payments

Credit and debit cards (Mastercard and Visa) are widely used in Brazil, including in hotels, restaurants, museums, taxis, etc. However, it is important to note that a few tourist attractions and small retailers may only accept cash payments.

To exchange currency, it is recommended to go to a bank or a currency exchange office such as Western Union, DayCâmbio, Rede Câmbio Seguro Confidence Câmbio, among others, many of which operate in Brazilian airports. Furthermore, cash withdraw from ATM machines is easy and easily available all over the country.

### Voltage and power sockets

Electricity voltage in Brazil varies between 110V and 220V. Many hotels offer sockets for both voltages, and you can easily find portable voltage transformers in electrical supply stores. The voltage in Brasília is 220V.

The sockets in Brazil are type N and have the standard 3-pin sockets. For safety, the sockets are recessed, so connection and power only occur when the plugs are fully inserted into the socket.



### International Dial Codes

The country code for Brazil is +55 and the local code for Brasilia is 61.

### Climate

Brazil is a tropical country. Weather in Brasília in March is usually warm and humid, with temperatures ranging from 18°C (65°F) at night and 28°C (82°F) during the day and 60% chance of rain.

## **Health advice and proof of vaccination**

There is no mandatory requirement of proof of vaccination to enter the country. However, the Brazilian Ministry of Health recommends international travelers to update their vaccination status prior to arrival in Brazil, in accordance with the guidelines of the vaccination calendar of the country of origin or residence, in particular against yellow fever, polio, measles, rubella, diphtheria and tetanus.

## **Security**

As in most national metropolis, exercise normal precautions and be aware of your surroundings when visiting crowded public venues and tourist locations.