



XXVth International Biometric Conference

Organized by the Brazilian and Argentinean Regions



Sunday, December 5 - Friday, December 10

Federal University of Santa Catarina
Florianópolis-SC, Brazil, 2010

Informations: www.rbras.org.br/ibc2010

Brazilian and Argentinean Regions

The Brazilian Region has a rich biometrical tradition with annual meetings held for over 50 years since the founding of the region in 1955 during the Vth International Biometric Conference with the support of R.A. Fisher, the first President of the IBS. The only previous IBC held in South America was also hosted by the Brazilian Region in 1979. The Regional meetings usually attract around 300 participants, so there should be a strong local presence at the IBC. Biometry in the Brazilian Region has a strong applied flavor, motivated by biological questions and exemplified by data from real problems.

The Argentinean Region emerged from the Biometrical Argentinean Group (GAB) created in 1995 to promote activities in applied statistics across the country. Around 200 participants attend the annual meetings focused on statistical developments and practices in agricultural, biological, environmental and health sciences. Its benchmark activity is the analyst panel where three biometricians present and discuss different strategies to analyze a given problem. The assistants enjoy it!



Santa Catarina Island



Florianópolis (Floripa) is the capital of the state of Santa Catarina. It is located mainly on the Island of Santa Catarina in the southern part of Brazil, not far from the borders with

both Uruguay and Argentina. It is only a one hour non-stop flight from São Paulo, Brazil's largest city, and a flight of just over two hours from Buenos Aires, capital of Argentina, and Brasilia, capital of Brazil. Floripa boasts a combination of beautiful beaches (over 40 on the island), hills, lagoons, dunes and natural reserves, that you can't miss!



Conference Venue

IBC 2010 will happen at the Culture and Events Center within the main campus of the Federal University of Santa Catarina. The Center is an excellent multi-use venue with areas for fairs, graduations, congress and shows. It holds the largest auditorium in the state of Santa Catarina with a capacity to seat 1,371 people. It is located 7km from Florianópolis downtown and 10km from Florianópolis airport. Close to UFSC are good facilities including a hospital and supermarkets, with hotels located nearby in both Florianópolis downtown and on some of the island's fabulous beaches.



Scientific Programme

- Opening Ceremony and IBS Presidential Address
- Full programme of invited oral sessions
- Contributed oral and poster sessions
- Sessions highlighting the society's publications, Biometrics and JABES
- Session organized by the Brazilian and Argentinean Regions of the IBS
- Pre-conference short courses

Social Programme

- Sunday 5** Welcome Gathering at Federal University Santa Catarina
Monday 6 Cocktails at the Exposition Hall of the Culture and Events Center
Tuesday 7 Free evening to enjoy dinner in a Florianópolis City Restaurant
Wednesday 8 Range of social excursions
Thursday 9 Conference dinner

Climate

Florianópolis benefits from an ideal subtropical climate with no extremes of weather. Mean daily temperature in December is between 21°C and 27°C.

Access by Air

Florianópolis is accessible by air from São Paulo (60 minutes) and Rio de Janeiro (90 minutes), both non-stop flights. These two international airports have direct flights from destinations all around the globe provided by over 30 airlines.

Accommodation details

Florianópolis city has more than 200 hotels, 65% of them are at the beach with the remainder downtown. A range of options will be available to conference delegates.

Local Organizing Committee

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