

## **2013 DDA Meeting - Visa Information**

### **Visa Issues ::: PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

#### **USA CITIZENS NEED A VISA TO ENTER IN BRAZIL.**

The simplest option is to get a Tourist Visa at the Brazilian Consulate nearest to your residence. The time required to get the visa is usually fast, about 10 working days, but we recommend to do it well in advance, i.e. AT LEAST 30 TO 40 DAYS BEFORE TRAVEL.

To get a Tourist Visa it is NOT necessary to have a letter of invitation, but the Consulate will request to show the RETURN FLIGHT TICKET, as well as a passport with at least 6 month of validity and 2 blank pages.

In principle, a tourist visa (VITUR) should be enough. It may help if you show a letter of invitation like the one we issue, but it is not mandatory. If you show the letter, the Consulate might suggest you to get a business visa (VITEM II). For the purpose of participating in a scientific meeting, there is no practical difference between the two types of visas and they cost the same.

Please, be aware that your passport must be valid for at least 6 months and that a return ticket is mandatory to get a visa.

Some companies offer an express service for visa issue by post. Check the following alternatives:

- <http://www.passportvisasexpress.com/> [1]
- <http://www.brazilvisaservice.com/> [2]
- <http://www.visaexpress.net/brazil/> [3]
- <http://brazil.embassy-online.net/> [4]

It appears that employees from USA National Labs and/or military institutions (like USNO) must follow specific procedures through their home institutions to get the visa. Please, be aware that these procedures may take longer than the usual time to get a tourist visa.

Nationals of the following countries DO NOT NEED A VISA to enter Brazil as a tourist:

Andorra  
Argentina  
Austria  
Bahamas  
Barbados  
Belgium  
Bolivia  
Bulgaria  
Chile  
Cyprus  
Colombia  
Costa Rica  
Croatia  
Czech Republic  
Denmark  
El Salvador  
Ecuador  
Estonia  
Finland  
France

Germany  
Greece  
Guatemala  
Guyana  
Honduras  
Hong Kong  
Hungary  
Ireland  
Iceland  
Israel  
Italy  
Latvia  
Liechtenstein  
Lithuania  
Luxembourg  
Macau  
Malaysia  
Malta  
Morocco  
Monaco  
Namibia  
Norway  
New Zealand  
Netherlands  
Panama  
Paraguay  
Peru  
Philippines  
Poland  
Portugal  
Romania  
Russia  
San Marino  
Slovakia  
Slovenia  
South Africa  
South Korea  
Spain  
Sweden  
Switzerland  
Suriname  
Thailand  
Trinidad and Tobago  
Tunisia  
Turkey  
United Kingdom  
Ukraine  
Uruguay  
Vatican  
Venezuela

NOTE: The organizers will not undertake any responsibility over participants that miss their travel due to visa problems, nor will refund them in any way.

## **Letter of Invitation**

The Registration Form has a specific field to request for a letter of invitation. Letters will be sent only to participants who ask for them.



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### Links

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