REDPEVA

Regional Meeting of National Programs for Venomous Animal Accidents in Latin America and the Caribbean

São Paulo, Brazil | 21-22 August 2025

Internacional Pre-REDPEVA Seminar
Integration and Sustainability as Key Drivers to Tackle Accidents
Caused by Venomous Animals in Latin America and the Caribbean

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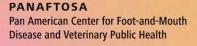
Participant guide



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PARTICIPANT GUIDE

MEETING LOCATION

Instituto Butantan, located at Avenida da Universidade, 210. Access will be through the entrance of the Instituto Butantan's School of Higher Education. Below is a reference image to help with locating the site.

Location - ESIB

It will be necessary to register in the Instituto Butantan's system prior to entry. To do so, you must present an identification document.



ACCOMODATION

The reserved hotel is the <u>Hilton Garden Inn Sao Paulo Reboucas</u>, located at Av. Rebouças 2636, São Paulo, SP. PANAFTOSA will provide a bus for transportation between the hotel and the Instituto Butantan, which will depart promptly at 7:20 a.m. from the hotel and return after the scheduled end of the event.

SERVICES FOR REDPEVA

The documents for the meeting and the seminar will be available on the event page: https://www.paho.org/en/panaftosa/redpeva-regional-meeting-national-programs-accidents-caused-venomous-animals-latin-america

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AIRPORT ARRIVAL

At the Guarulhos and Congonhas International Airports in São Paulo, there are two types of taxis: the special service, which charges a higher fare, and the regular white taxis, which typically operate throughout the city. For safety reasons, it is recommended not to use taxis that are not part of the registered airport cooperatives. Uber operates normally in the city and can also be used at the airport—please check the designated pickup point before requesting your ride.

CUSTOMS

Live animals, products of animal and plant origin, firearms and ammunition, as well as equipment and other products that may impact public health, safety, or the environment are subject to special controls by the competent authorities. Please consult the <u>Guide for Travelers</u>.

VISA

Before traveling to Brazil, it is recommended that you check with the Brazilian Consulate in your country of residence to determine whether a visa is required for entry. Some countries do require an entry visa. Brazil does not require a tourist visa for citizens of South American countries and some European countries.

CURRENCY EXCHANGE

The official currency is the Real (R\$). Banks or currency exchange offices are commonly found at airports and shopping centers. Updated official exchange rates can be found on the website of the Central Bank of Brazil: https://www.bcb.gov.br/conversao

HEALTH

Public health services in Brazil are free for foreign tourists. However, if you have any health problem, you will simply need to call the Mobile Emergency Care Service (SAMU) at 192.

ELECTRIC CURRENT

In Brazil, the standard voltage is 127/220 V. The frequency is 60Hz (Hertz). Plugs and sockets are type C or N. In the following image, you can see the different types of plugs. Visitors are advised to bring with them an adapter to avoid any difficulties.









Tipo C

Tipo N









WELCOME TO SÃO PAULO, BRAZIL!

THE CITY

São Paulo is a vibrant metropolis where cultures blend, flavors surprise, and art is found on every corner. With over 12 million inhabitants, it is the economic and cultural heart of the country—constantly in motion and always ready to surprise. Rich in culture and art, the city features renowned museums such as MASP and the Museum of the Portuguese Language, offering unforgettable immersions into Brazilian history and creativity. The colorful graffiti of Beco do Batman shows that art also lives on the streets.

São Paulo boasts a great diversity of gastronomy, ranging from the iconic "paulistana" pizza to traditional Japanese dishes in the Liberdade neighborhood.

As in any large city, it is recommended to avoid walking alone at night and to follow the safety guidelines provided by local authorities.

Below, we share some important information to help make your stay more comfortable and safe:

TEMPERATURE

The average temperature for this period is 13.5°C for the minimum and 24.5°C for the maximum. For more information about the weather, you can visit the website: www.climatempo.com.br

TOURIST ATTRACTIONS

VILLA-LOBOS PARK

Located about 10 minutes from the Instituto Butantan, Villa-Lobos Park is one of the largest green areas in the city, covering more than 700,000 m². It offers full infrastructure with bike paths, sports courts, picnic areas, a forest, and a library. It is ideal for walks, sports activities, or simply enjoying nature. Nearby is Shopping Villa-Lobos, featuring dining options and a cultural space.

ELDORADO SHOPPING

Nearby, Shopping Eldorado is a traditional shopping center in the city, with easy access via the Marginal Pinheiros. It offers a wide variety of stores, a cinema, cafés, and restaurants, making it an excellent option for meals, informal meetings, or breaks between academic and institutional commitments.











FARIA LIMA AVENEU

Brigadeiro Faria Lima Avenue is one of São Paulo's main business hubs and can be easily accessed from the Instituto Butantan (via Butantan Metro Station – Line 4 Yellow). Highlights include:

B32/Baleia Rooftop: a modern and sophisticated space, ideal for informal meetings with a privileged view of the city.

The area also hosts innovation centers such as Cubo Itaú and high-end coworking spaces, making it a strategic location for meetings with international partners and academic networking.

PINHEIROS - CULTURE, GASTRONOMY AND SUSTENTABILITY

The Pinheiros neighborhood is a vibrant area with easy access from the Institute (by metro or car), offering authentic cultural and gastronomic experiences.

Suggestions:

Victor Civita Square: an urban park focused on sustainability and environmental education, ideal for outdoor breaks. Galleries, cafés, and bookstores along Dos Pinheiros and Artur de Azevedo streets foster an atmosphere conducive to academic dialogue and intellectual production.

IBAREPUERA PARK AND MAC USP

A little farther away, but easily accessible by public transport or car, Ibirapuera Park is the city's most iconic park. Highlights include the Afro Brazil Museum, the Museum of Modern Art (MAM), and especially the USP Museum of Contemporary Art (MAC USP), which offers a significant collection of Brazilian and international art in a privileged space overlooking the city. It is ideal for cultural activities with researchers, visitors, or as inspiration for academic projects.

BUTANTAN STATION AND URBAN BUS TERMINAL – YELLOW LINE 4 (SUBWAY))

Butantan Station is directly connected to the Urban Bus Terminal, facilitating access to the Butantan region and its surroundings.

The Yellow Line 4 connects Butantan with strategic hubs such as Faria Lima, Pinheiros, Paulista, and Luz, with trains operating approximately from 4:41 a.m. to 12:11 a.m.

The station has adapted access points (Pirajussara, Vital Brasil, and Urban Terminal), ensuring accessibility for all users.

Thank you once again for your visit and have a nice stay in São Paulo!





