



HISTORY

FORUM OF THE BRAZILIAN CAPITAL CITIES

The Forum CB27 (27 Brazilian capital cities, including the Federal District Brasilia) was created during the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development, Rio +20, in May 2012. The initiative was taken by Carlos Alberto Muniz, head of the environment department of Rio de Janeiro. During this event, the first official document of the Forum, known as the Rio Declaration for Sustainability was signed, outlining main common objectives for the cities.



I NATIONAL MEETING OF THE HEADS OF ENVIRONMENTAL DEPARTMENTS OF THE BRAZILIAN CAPITAL CITIES IN 2012, RIO DE JANEIRO.

The major goal of CB27 is to adapt and disseminate practices and ideas of sustainable development throughout the cities of the country. On this account, the Forum launched the publication of an array of successful environmental projects in the book "Environmental management: Success Cases of the Brazilian State Capitals". These various experiences prove that, despite profound regional differences, all are confronted with similar challenges. The exchange of those experiences can potentially accelerate finding successful and feasible solutions for the serious problems all major cities in Brazil encounter, such as waste management, urban mobility, rational use of energy, the fight against climate change and poverty eradication. The first exchanges between the cities began to translate this idea into practice.

For instance, Rio de Janeiro has supported the completion of Porto Alegre's Inventory of greenhouse gas emissions. During the second meeting of CB27, in April 2013 in Porto Alegre, the discussion of an official document of cooperation for the CB27 began.



III MEETING OF THE CB27 IN SALVADOR IN 2013.

The Declaration of Salvador, therewith legitimizing the functioning of CB27 as a Forum, was unanimously approved and signed by all representatives during the third Meeting in October 2013 in Salvador. On that occasion a board of directors was also elected: Délio Malheiros, head of the department of environmental affairs of Belo Horizonte, was nominated as the Secretary General and Nelson Moreira Franco, head of Climate Change in the environmental department in Rio de Janeiro, as the Executive Secretary. The Headquarters of CB27 have been established in Rio.



DÉLIO MALHEIROS SECRETARY GENERAL OF CB27 (R.), AND NELSON MOREIRA FRANCO, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY (L.)



