

# IVth International Meeting of Ecomuseums and Community Museums IV EIEMC

Belém , Pará, 12 – 16 June 2012

**Central Theme: Heritage and Empowerment of the Actors of Local Development**

**1st CIRCULAR - 01/12/2011**



The Ecomuseum of Amazonia and the Brazilian Association of Ecomuseums and Community Museums (ABREMC) are pleased to announce to the whole Museum Community, the organization of the IVth Encounter of Ecomuseums and Community Museums to be held on 12-16 June 2012 in Belém (Para), at the Headquarters of the Ecomuseum of Amazonia.

This meeting is addressed mostly to the professionals, volunteers, students and researchers of ecomuseums, community museums, museums of territory, living museums, suburban museums, street museums, in all countries. Please find enclosed a presentation of the meeting and its theme, a provisional programme and a pre-inscription bulletin which should be sent to:

[ecomuseuamazonia@gmail.com](mailto:ecomuseuamazonia@gmail.com).

Updated information on the meeting and on material conditions for travel and accommodation will be found at the following websites:

[www.abremc.com.br](http://www.abremc.com.br) or <http://ecomuseuamazonia.blogspot.com>

A second circular will be sent in February 2012, with a final programme and the official registration form. The persons who want to attend the meeting and who need support from their institutions or governments for travel and visas may ask the Coordination of the IVth EIEMC for a formal letter of invitation.

We hope to welcome many colleagues in Belém and the communities of the Ecomuseum of Amazonia in June.

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**Belém, Pará – 12/16 June 2012**

**Realization :**

Prefeitura Municipal de Belém-PMB,  
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Associação Brasileira de Ecomuseus e Museus Comunitários- ABREMC  
NOPH - Núcleo de Orientação e Pesquisa Histórica

**Date :** 12-16/06/2012

**Place :** Belém – Pará - Brazil

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## PRESENTATION

The 2012 International Museum Day has been dedicated by ICOM to "*Museums in a Changing World. New challenges, New inspirations*". Following this lead, the Brazilian Association of Ecomuseums and Community Museums (ABREMC) and the Amazonia Ecomuseum, in partnership with NOPH and others, are organizing the 4<sup>th</sup> International Meeting of Ecomuseums and Community Museums, in Belém, on June 12-16, 2012.

This meeting follows three previous encounters held in Rio de Janeiro, in 1992, 2000 and 2004. It aims at making the museum community aware of community based museological processes, through experiences shared between professionals, volunteers, students, researchers, observers.

The meeting is addressed mostly to community museums, ecomuseums, living museums, territory museums, open space museums, etc. which contribute to rooting the population in their milieu, to reinforcing the sense of belonging to a place or to a community, to social cohesion and quality of life.

The working sessions (plenary, round tables, workshops, forums) will present, analyze and evaluate field cases, their methods and their results.

## THE CONFERENCE THEME : Local Development :Heritage and Empowerment

In Portuguese, the selected theme is called "Patrimônio e Capacitação", the latter word being more or less equivalent to the English "Empowerment". We intend to discuss the various actions undertaken in a given community, in order to help its members to develop and/or acquire the know-how, the practices, the techniques which will enable them to be actors of their own development, i.e. for the improvement of their living conditions, in a way both sustainable and responsible.

The Belém meeting will demonstrate, from concrete experiences brought by the participants and critical analyses, how heritage can and should be a major asset for this process: natural resources, traditions, technical knowledge, the environment of the daily life itself are raw materials to be identified and utilized, to obtain the best possible cultural, social and economic returns, thanks to the initiative, the labour and the creativity of community members, either as individuals or collectively, in the interest and for the profit of the community as a whole. Agriculture and fisheries, crafts, tourism will be the main domains studied.

The meeting will also deal with the basic conditions of such an endogenous development: social organization, co-operative structures, management techniques. The school system, which aggregates parents, teachers and students will be, in Belém a privileged environment, due to the Amazonia Ecomuseum being part of the Escola Bosque Foundation, which itself is a division of the Department of Education of the City of Belém, and where the working sessions will be held.



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## Local Development : Heritage and Empowerment

Belém, Pará - June 12 - 16 2012

### Draft Programme

*Sunday June 10 – Optional visit to historic Belém*

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**Tuesday June 12** – Auditorium, Federal University of Para

08h00 – Registration of participants

08h30 – Meeting of keynote speakers

09h30 – Welcome and coffee

10h00 – Introductory show (music, theatre, dance...)

10h30 – **Opening Lecture:** "Heritage and empowerment of Local Development Actors"

11h30 – Cocktail

12h00 – Press Conference

14h00 – **Presentation of the territory of the Ecomuseu da Amazônia**

14h00 – Report on field experience (Communities of Cotijuba Island).

14h40 – Report on field experience (Communities of Mosqueiro Island)

15h20 – Pause

15h50 – Report on field experience (Communities of Caratateua Island).

16h30 – Report on field experience (Communities of Icoaraci District).

**Wednesday June 13** – Headquarters of Escola Bosque Foundation and Ecomuseum

09h00 – Round Table 1: **Participatory Inventory of demand and potentials**

10h15 – Coffee break

10h45 – Workshops (discussion of cases on the theme of Round-Table 1)

12h00 – Lunch

14h00 – Round-Table 2: **Social organization in Communities**

15h15 – Coffee break

16h15 – Workshops (discussion of cases on the theme of Round-Table 2)

17h15 – End of 2d day

**Thursday June 14** – Headquarters of Escola Bosque Foundation and Ecomuseum

09h00 – Round Table 3: **Production and creativity in Communities**

10h15 – Coffee Break

10h45 – Workshops (discussion of cases on the theme of Round-Table 3)

12h00 – Lunch

14h00 – Round Table 4: **Community-based Tourism and Local Development**

15h15 – Coffee break

15h15 – Workshops (discussion of cases on the theme of Round-Table 4)

17h15 – End of 3<sup>rd</sup> day

### **Friday June 15 - Headquarters of Escola Bosque Foundation and Ecomuseum**

09h00 – Drafting sessions' conclusions

11h00 – Coffee break

10h30 – Networks meeting : ABREMC, ICOM Portugal, ICOM Brazil, Mondi Locali, Union de los Museos Comunitarios de America Latina, FEMS, etc.

11h00 – Preparation of ICOM/2013 – IBRAM – ICOM Brasil,

12h30 – Lunch

15h00 – Final Plenary meeting: **Presentation of conclusions and proposals, discussion and adoption.**

17h30 – 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Ecomuseu da Amazônia; presentation of a documentary film and of various books

18 h 00 – Cocktail

### **Saturday June 16**

Visit to Mosqueiro Island (Urban centre, Mary-Mary and Caruaru communities)



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#### Preliminary inscription

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I have noted the programme of the IVth International Meeting of Ecomuseums and Community Museums to be held in Belém, June 12 to 16, 2012.

I intend to participate in this meeting and I wish to receive in due time an official invitation and information about a formal registration.

I want to receive these documents in the following language:

- Portuguese
- English
- Spanish
- French

Date: ..... Signature: .....

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