Rio+20 in Numbers

Over nine days (13 to 22 June), thousands of events were held in the lead-up to and during Rio+20, the UN Conference on Sustainable Development, throughout Rio de Janeiro, including more than 500 official and side events at the Riocentro Convention Center, where the conference was held. Rio+20 was the biggest UN conference ever held, with broad participation of leaders from Government, business and civil society, as well as UN officials, academics, journalists and the general public. Below are some key figures from Rio+20.

Commitments
- More than $513 billion mobilized in commitments for sustainable development, including in the areas of energy, transport, green economy, disaster reduction, desertification, water, forests and agriculture.
- 692 voluntary commitments for sustainable development registered by governments, business, civil society groups, universities and others.

Participants at Riocentro (as of close of 21 June)
- Total number of participants: 45,381
- Delegations participated from 188 countries and three observers
- Over 100 Heads of State and Government
- Delegates: approximately 12,000
- NGOs and Major Groups: 9,856
- Media: 4,075
- Dialogue Day passes for civil society: 1,781
- Security Personnel: 4,363
- About 5,000 people worked at Riocentro daily.

Volunteers
- 1,500 people volunteered, including young people, selected from of technical schools, Rio de Janeiro public school students, university students, and professionals from across Brazil.
- Around 700 young people from vulnerable communities were selected.
- 5 per cent of volunteers were people with disabilities.

Riocentro Event Space
- Total area of Riocentro: 571,000 m², of which 100,000 m² was constructed for Rio+20.
- 205 km fiber optic cable network.
- Wireless Internet access for up to 32,000 concurrent users.
- 8 km of telephone cables.
- More than 5,000 ICT assets (computers, network equipment).
- Network capacity equivalent to a city of 120,000 inhabitants.
- Shared infrastructure of 600 workstations.
- 17 restaurants in the food court.
- 36 X-ray portals.
Transportation to Riocentro

- About 350 buses transported accredited participants.
- Seven bus lines connected from Center, South Zone and Barra da Tijuca in Rio de Janeiro to Riocentro.
- Two lines connected from Rio de Janeiro’s two airports to area hotels.

Athlete’s Park

- Across from Riocentro, an exhibition area, open to the general public, was created at Athlete’s Park to showcase sustainable development practices, featuring exhibits by 57 countries (total area of 7,000 m²) and 33 international organizations and specialized agencies (total area of 1,305 m²).

Hotels

- According to the Brazilian Association of Hotels in Rio de Janeiro, the occupancy rate of hotels was 95 per cent during the nine days.

Access to Information:

- 161 totems (electronic information points) were installed in major hotels, airports and other locations around the city with information on the event, tips for tourism in the city, transport options, the Conference agenda, maps and other information services, all in Portuguese, English and Spanish.

Sources: United Nations and the Brazilian National Organizing Committee for Rio+20

For more information on Rio+20, visit www.uncsd2012.org.

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