

12th GEIA Seminar – General Information

Grupo de Estudos em Inglês Aeronáutico (GEIA)

Date: 24 – 28 November 2025

Location: Complexo Santos Dumont – Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil

Language: English

1. Venue

The 12th GEIA Seminar open to the general audience will take place from 24 to 26 November 2025 (Monday - Wednesday), at the **Complexo Santos Dumont** in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. The activities of 27 and 28 November (Thursday and Friday) are exclusively for the DECEA group of Aeronautical English instructors.

All seminar sessions, presentations, and official materials will be conducted in English. Participants are expected to have working proficiency in English to fully engage in the event's activities and discussions.

The opening, lectures, sessions and some workshops will take place at the Santos Dumont Auditorium - DECEA. Some workshops will take place at INCAER (Instituto Histórico e Cultural da Aeronáutica).

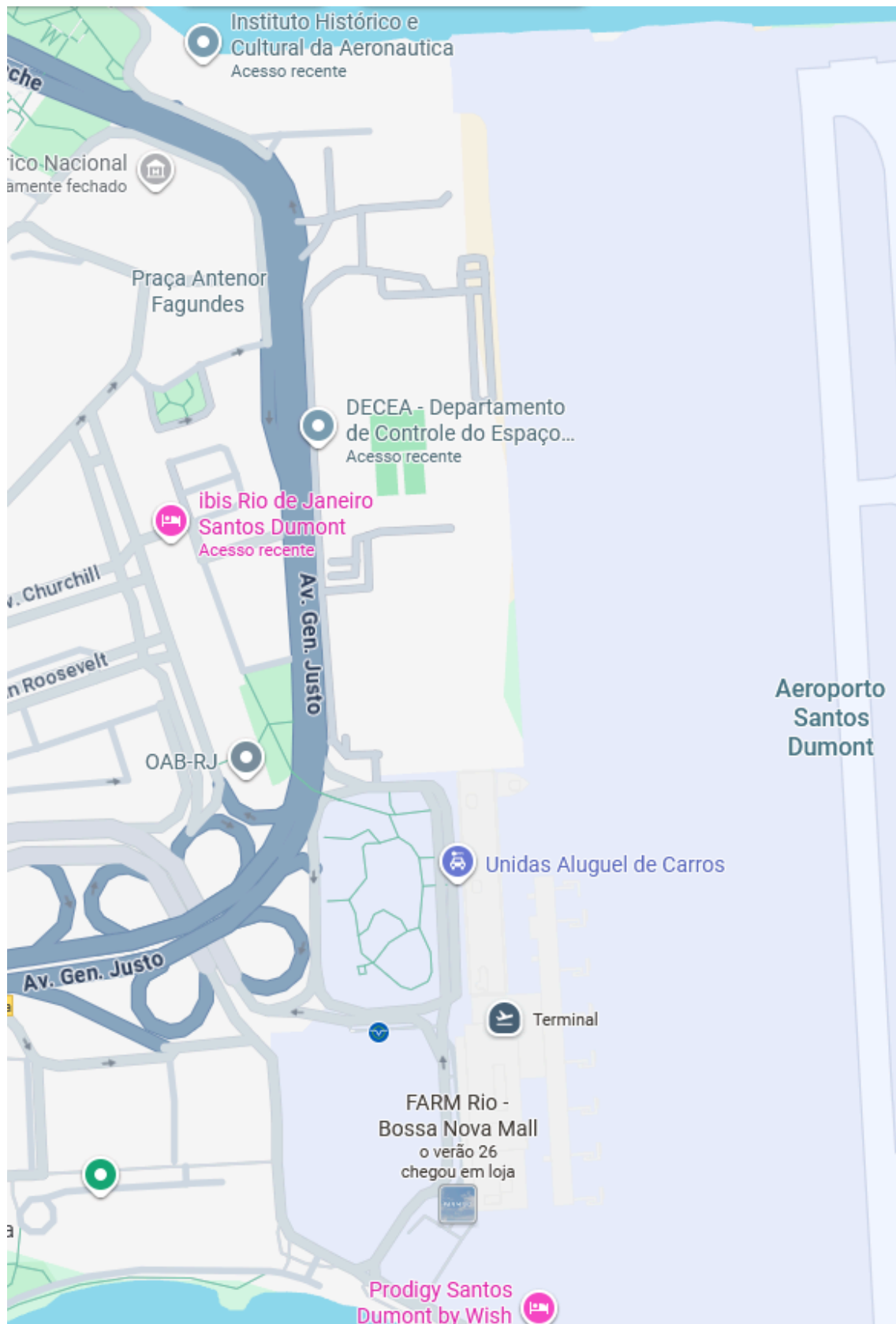
Address:

Gate 1 - Av. General Justo, 160 - Centro - Rio de Janeiro/RJ (closer to hotels in the area and for pedestrians crossing the overpass)



Gate 2 - Praça Marechal Âncora, 77– Centro, Rio de Janeiro – RJ, 20021-340 (closer to the event premises and easier for Uber or Taxi dropping)





We recommend you use Google Maps to check the distance from your hotel to the event venue. Some hotels (Ibis, Novotel, Prodigy) are within walking distance to the Santos Dumont Complex, as well as Santos Dumont Airport and Bossa Nova Mall. See more information below.

2. Participants

We expect approximately 100 participants from various parts of Brazil and abroad, including professionals from the aviation sector, civil and military organizations, and academic institutions.

3. Time Zone

All activities of the 12th GEIA Seminar will follow the local time zone of UTC -3 (Brasília Time). Participants joining from other time zones are kindly advised to adjust their schedules accordingly to ensure timely attendance at all sessions.

4. Weather & Dress Code

- A. Average temperature in November: 20–30°C (68–86°F)
- B. Recommended attire: Business casual or uniform 7° B (military participants).

5. Getting around

- A. Tipping: In most restaurants, a 10% service charge is already included in the bill. Additional tipping is not required but appreciated for excellent service. Taxi drivers usually do not expect tips, but rounding up the fare is common.
- B. Airport luggage carts: Available free of charge at most airports in Rio.
- C. Water safety: Tap water is generally not recommended for drinking. Bottled water is inexpensive and widely available.
- D. Safety: While Rio is a vibrant city, it is advisable to avoid displaying valuables in public, such as smart phones, cash or jewelry, especially in crowded areas. Avoid walking alone at night or in isolated areas. Use ride-hailing apps like Uber Comfort.
- E. Language: While many Brazilians do not speak English fluently, they are friendly and willing to help. Basic phrases in Portuguese or using a translation app can be helpful.
- F. Currency: Brazilian Real (BRL). International credit cards are accepted in most places, and currency exchange offices are available at airports and shopping centers. However, carry some cash for small purchases or street vendors.

6. Smoking

In accordance with Brazilian law, smoking is strictly prohibited in all enclosed or partially enclosed public spaces, including restaurants, hotels, shopping centers, and common areas of residential buildings. This regulation also applies to venues hosting the 12th GEIA Seminar. Designated smoking areas may be available outside, and participants are kindly asked to respect local regulations.

7. Accommodation

We suggest that participants stay at hotels located in the **city center** or **South Zone** (Catete, Flamengo, Botafogo), as they offer easy access to the venue.

Some recommended hotels within a short distance from the venue include:

- A. Novotel RJ Santos Dumont (approx. 650 m)
- B. Ibis RJ Santos Dumont (approx. 750 m)
- C. B&B Hotel Santos Dumont (approx. 1 km)
- D. Hotel Prodigy Santos Dumont (approx. 1.1 km)
- E. Windsor Asturias Hotel (approx. 1.6 km)
- F. Windsor Flórida Hotel (approx. 3 km)
- G. Ibis RJ Botafogo (approx. 5.6 km)
- H. Windsor Excelsior Copacabana (approx. 9 km)

7.1 Special Accommodation Discounts

We have negotiated exclusive discounts with the following hotel chains for participants of the 12th GEIA Seminar:

A. Accor Hotels – Ibis & Novotel:

Book through <https://bupplus.com.br/> using the promo code **GEIA** to enjoy a **10% discount** on stays from **November 23–29, 2025** at:

- Ibis RJ Botafogo
- Ibis RJ Santos Dumont
- Novotel RJ Santos Dumont

Note: Children under 12 stay free on a sofa bed, subject to availability.

B. Windsor Hotels:

Book through the Windsor Hotels official website and use the promo code **GEIA12** to receive an **additional 5% discount** on top of the already reduced rates. Offer valid for stays from **November 23–29, 2025** at the following hotels:

- Windsor Asturias
- Windsor Copa
- Windsor Excelsior
- Windsor Florida

From : 23/11 a 29/11/2025

Discount: 5%

Booking and payment are made individually by each guest via the Windsor website.

C. B&B Hotels:

Book through B&B Hotels via email (recepcao.sdu@hotelbb.com) or WhatsApp (+55

21 97026-9406) and add the following note: “**Participante GEIA 12 / Geia12's Participant**” to secure the following daily rates:

- Standard Single: R\$340,00
- Standard Double or Twin: R\$415,00
- Balcony Single: R\$400,00
- Balcony Double or Twin: R\$480,00

Rates include taxes and breakfast.

Offer valid for stays from **November 23–29, 2025**.

8. Airports

- A. Santos Dumont Airport (SDU) – Domestic (Walking distance from venue)
- B. Tom Jobim International Airport – RIOGaleão (GIG) – International (~30–40 min by uber)

9. Transportation Options

- A. Taxis and Uber are widely available and reliable, the comfort option is highly recommended.
- B. Metro: Safe and efficient. Visit www.metrorio.com.br
- C. VLT (Light Rail): Connects central areas, including Santos Dumont Airport. More info: www.vltrio.com.br

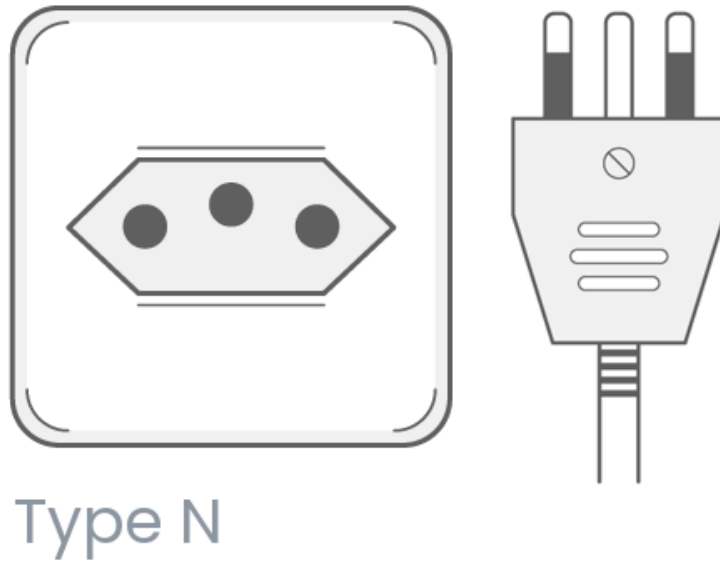
10. Health and Safety

- A. Emergency Services (SAMU): 192
- B. Touristic Police (BPTUR): Specialized in visitor assistance. (21) 2332-2429 - Av. Afrânio de Melo Franco, 159.
- C. Public and private hospitals are located nearby.

11. Electric Power and Plugs

- A. Voltage in Rio de Janeiro is usually 110V / 60Hz, but some outlets may also offer 220V (please check before plugging in your device).

- B. Plug type: Brazil uses Type N plugs with three round pins.



(Example of Brazilian plug – Type N)

Adapters may be required for visitors from other countries. Universal plug adapters can be easily found at airports and electronics stores.

WELCOME! We hope you enjoy your stay!