

Dear COMLAND members!

This is to advise that Silvio Rodrigues has now placed the Second Circular for the 16-22 May 2005 meeting of COMLAND in Uberlândia, Brazil, on the website:

<http://www.ig.ufu.br/comland/enindex2.htm>

As well as the registration form, the circular has information on the program themes, costs, accommodation, field trips and how to get to Uberlândia.

The conference themes are:

- S1 Soil erosion and possibilities of recovery;
- S2 Rivers, Fluvial systems and Land Degradation;
- S3 Deforestation and its consequences on the soil and landscape;
- S4 Sustainable development and politics of management;
- S5 Remote Sensing, GIS and their applications to the study of land degradation;
- S6 Eco-tourism and Rural Tourism and their implications;
- S7 Urbanization and Land Degradation;
- S8 Desertification and Land Degradation in Dry lands.

All members of COMLAND are warmly invited to travel to Uberlândia, to discuss their research, renew friendships (and make new ones), and to participate in one of the three field trips. Our Brazilian colleagues are particularly keen to interact with the international COMLAND fraternity.

The deadline for abstracts and payment of the early bird registration fee is 15 December 2004. Registration has been reduced considerably for students and retired persons.

With regards to all

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