Europe has a strong tradition of scholarship in Brazilian studies as well as of research generally and professional collaboration that is in some way connected to Brazil. The disciplines embraced extend from history, cultural studies, anthropology, linguistics, politics and economics to astronomy, biology, chemistry, architecture, among others.

This launch event of ABRE (Associação de Brasilianistas na Europa/Association of Brazilianists in Europe) aims to provide a transdisciplinary forum for academic exchange, dissemination and networking for scholars working in Brazilian studies or undertaking research/collaboration that has some connection with Brazil. Participants may be based (permanently or temporarily) in dedicated university departments of Portuguese, Brazilian and Latin American Studies, or within other disciplinary programmes or European institutions. The conference aims to provide a platform for exchange among scholars of any field (including scholars not traditionally understood as Brazilianists) and who have research or collaboration interests in Brazil (which fall within the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences and beyond).

At this time of seismic change in Brazil, this conference welcomes contributions reflecting on contemporary Brazil from diverse research perspectives. We welcome academic papers drawn from ongoing research as well as more practice-based contributions. These might include presentations and posters related to collaborative projects and how to go about funding applications, collaboration with creative industries etc. We expect to structure the programme around broad disciplinary and /or thematic panels, to maximize academic dialogue.

We therefore warmly welcome proposals for individual 20-minute papers or proposals for thematic/disciplinary panels to include a minimum of 5 and a maximum of 10 participants, as well as poster presentations. The broad overall theme of the conference, ‘Brazil in Europe’, aims to reflect the wide range of research and work/collaborative interests of scholars and researchers working in Europe.

The conference will open in the afternoon of 30 May with an address by the Rector of Leiden University and will include a keynote by Prof. Leslie Bethell (King's College London/Instituto Getúlio Vargas).

We welcome papers in Portuguese or English.

FOR INDIVIDUAL PAPERS
Please send proposals of 200 words max. (in English or Portuguese), including a title and short bio-sketch of the presenter (50 words max.) using the form over https://goo.gl/forms/wQHGusnZ520tYq2o2

FOR PANEL PROPOSALS
Please send a short general description of aims of panel, with title and name of person to chair (200 words max. In English or Portuguese) plus abstracts (200 words max.) for each paper to be included, with a title and short bio-sketch of the presenter (50 words max.) using the form over https://goo.gl/forms/wQHGusnZ520tYq2o2

DEADLINE - 15 DECEMBER 2016
Acceptances and provisional programme will be notified by 30 January 2017.

CONFERENCE FEE - 100 EUROS
- 100 EUROS (to cover opening evening reception on 30th May, 2 lunches, dinner on the 31st and refreshments)
- 55 EUROS (excluding dinner)

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