



**IPEA.
40 YEARS
SHOWING
PATHS TO DEVELOPMENT.**

OUR HISTORY.



In April 1964 by instruction of then Ministers of Planning, Roberto de Oliveira Campos, and of Finance, Otávio Gouveia de Bulhões, a working group was created, comprising of high-level Brazilian experts and foreign consultants, to launch a research program on economics and long-term planning for Brazil.

On September 10, 1964, the Bureau of Applied Economic Research – EPEA – was established, directed by João Paulo dos Reis Velloso.

Since May 1990, our denomination is Institute of Applied Economic Research – IPEA. A Presidential decree designated our mission to prepare economic and social studies, researches and analyses.

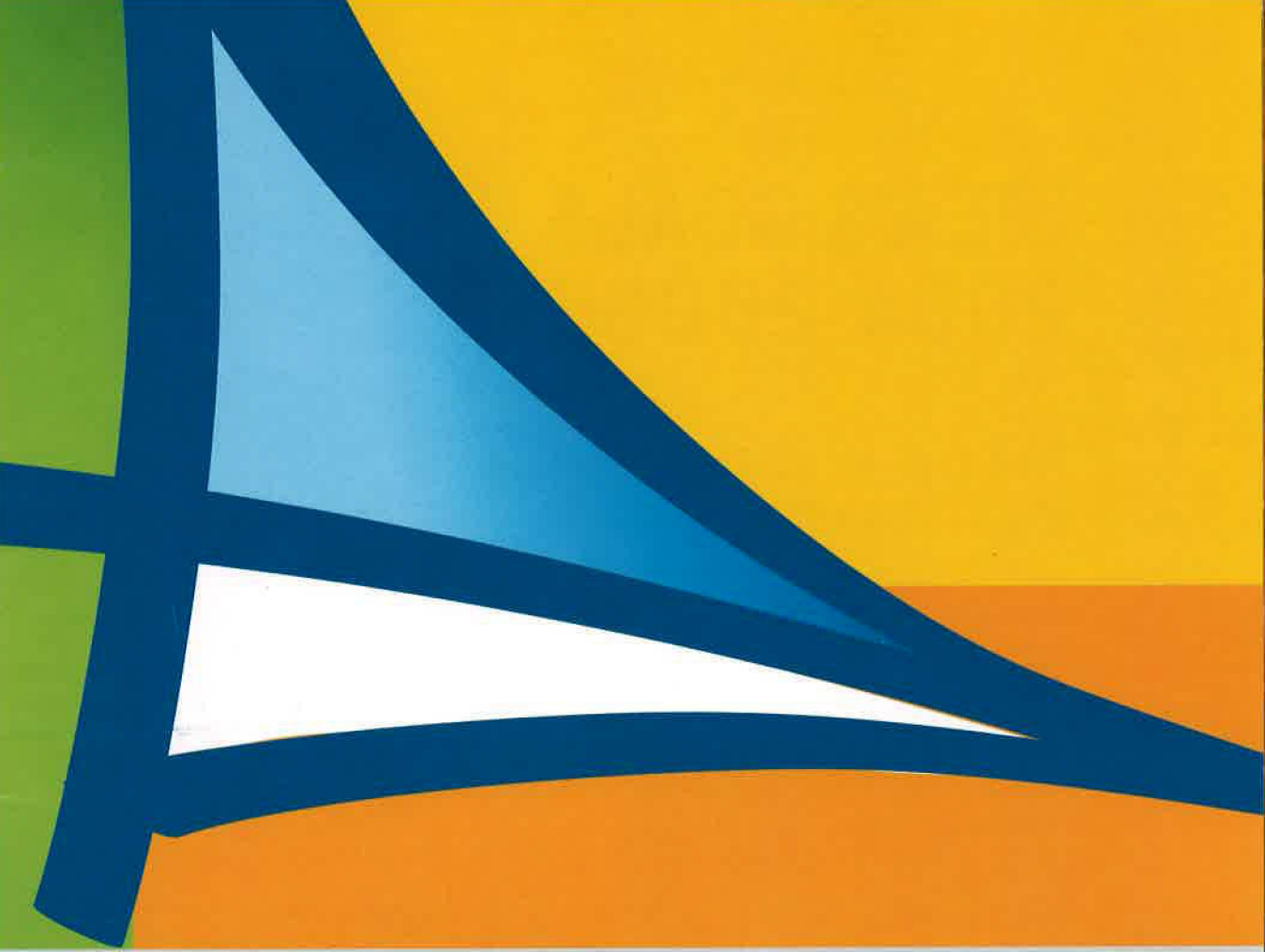
At that time, there were no graduate courses in economics in Brazil, which made us a pioneering institution in the field of Brazilian economic research.

That is how our history began.

Our initial endeavor has not changed: to serve the country as a major disseminator of information and knowledge.

With the means at our disposal, we are always ready to point out the paths to development.





IPEA'S MISSION.

The Institute of Applied Economic Research – Ipea is a public foundation within the structure of the Ministry of Planning, Budget and Management. Ipea's main mission is to assist the preparation, formulation and enhancement of public policies, through researches, studies, indicators and assessment methods for government actions.

IPEA'S GOALS FOR 2004-2006.

FOR THE NEXT THREE YEARS IPEA HAS IDENTIFIED ITS GOALS ON FIRM BASES:

To resume medium and long-term planning activities, by widening the debate and proposing guidelines for Brazilian social and economic development.

To be in the forefront of the formulation, elaboration, monitoring and assessment of public policies.

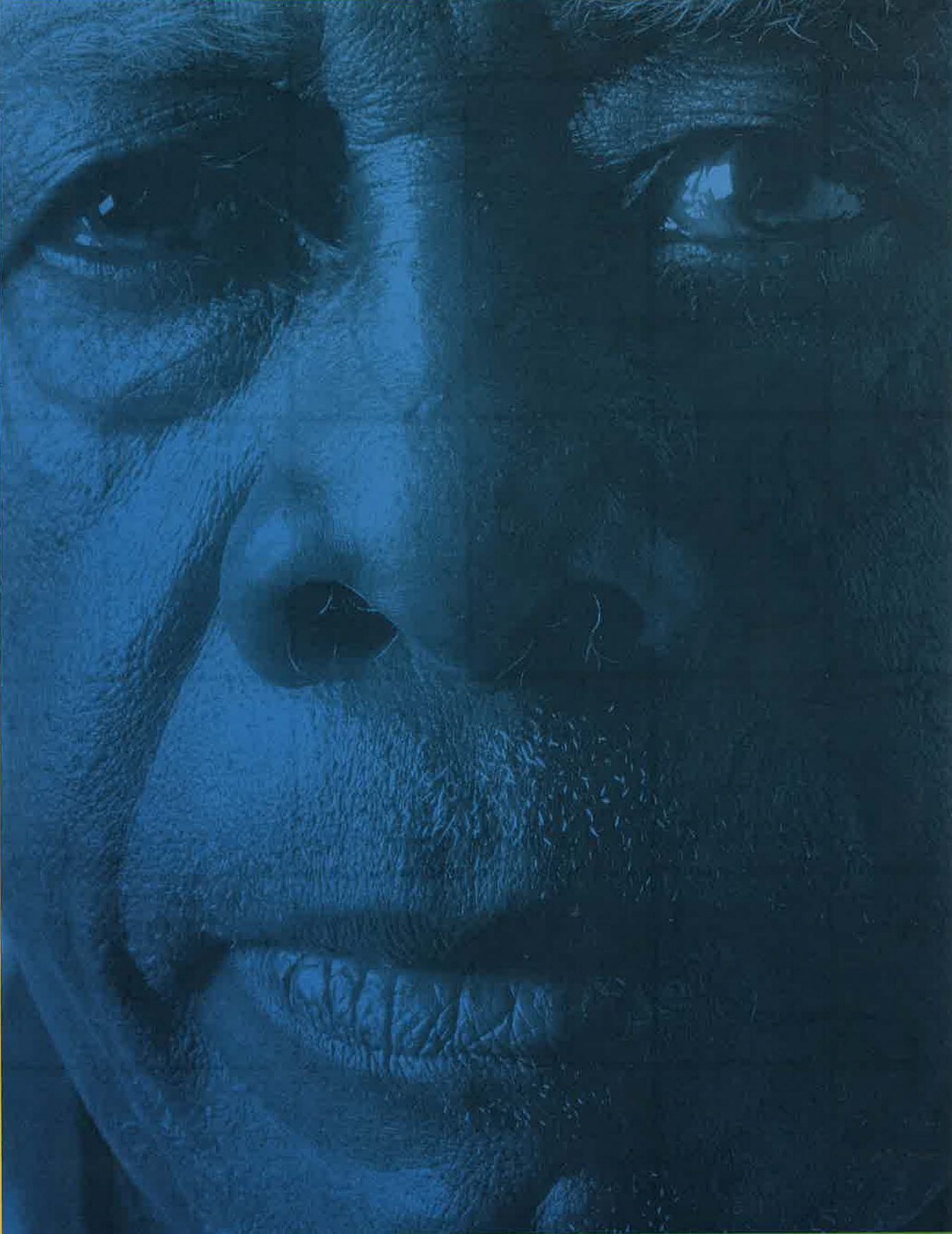
To provide support for major government projects and activities, providing assistance in the implementation of comprehensive and integrated strategies.

To assist the Ministry of Planning in the preparation, monitoring and assessment of Multi-year Plans – PPA.

To conceive new research methodologies and to give emphasis to the study of methodologies applied in other countries, particularly in Latin America.

To devise systems of public policy assessment, placing importance on the processes of social inclusion and reduction of inequalities.





IPEA 2004-2006. MACRO-PROJECTS.

**BROAD AND HIGH IMPACT PROJECTS
WERE SELECTED BY IPEA FOR THE
NEXT THREE YEARS.**

Structural:

Development and Social and Economic Inequalities

Reduction of External Vulnerability

Economic Policy: Macroeconomics and Modeling

Microeconomic Fundamentals of Long-term Development

Institutional:

Establishment of a Social Policy Evaluation Network

Participation in the Preparation, Monitoring and Assessment of the PPA

Innovation Policies and their Impact on Economic Competitiveness

Special Projects:

The State of the Nation – an annual publication

“Challenges to Development” – Monthly magazine in partnership
with the UNDP

IPEA-CAIXA Award

International Poverty Centre – in partnership with the UNDP

IPEA'S MAIN RESEARCH FIELDS.

ONE OF IPEA'S MOST TRADITIONAL AND IMPORTANT AREAS OF OPERATION IS RESEARCH. HIGH-LEVEL PROFESSIONALS, SPECIALIZED IN DIFFERENT FIELDS OF KNOWLEDGE, ARE ENGAGED IN PROVIDING EVERY METHOD AND INFORMATION ON A BROAD SCOPE OF SECTORS.

Economics

Current Economic Results and Trends

Macroeconomic Modeling

Regional Integration and Foreign Trade

Urban and Regional Development

Environmental Economics

Public Finance

Fiscal Policy and Quality of Expenditures

Spatial Systemic Modeling

Money and Credit

Industrial and Technological Policies

Social Security

Taxation

Social

Entrepreneurial Social Action

Social Assistance

Culture

Regional Disparities

Human Rights

Income Distribution

Solidarity Economics

Education

Social Expenditures

Labor Market

Social Participation

Demography

Racial Equality

Health

Food Security

Law Enforcement

Social Services



**Sectoral Studies and
Infrastructure**

Urban Agglomerations

Agriculture

Clusters

Science and Technology

Energy

Pharmaceuticals

Industry

Innovation

Services

Transportation

Telecommunications

Tourism

Institutional

Economic Institutions

States

Law Enforcement

Elections

Economic Regulation and
Competition Policy

Quality of Public Expenditure

Population and Development

IPEADATA.

Ipea's database is available on the Internet for anyone to access, at the website:

www.ipeadata.gov.br.

So far this website has registered over one million visits.

The database comprises of five thousand data series with information on population, employment, wages and income, production, consumption and sales, national accounts, public finance, money and credit.

IPEA ECONOMIC QUARTERLY (GAC).

GAC is the group responsible for macroeconomic research and analyses. Its activities include quarterly reports and meetings with government officials and representatives to debate Brazilian current economic results, its short-term trends and monitor public policies. GAC has held over one hundred of these quarterly meetings.

All regular GAC publications are available on the Internet, such as its Economic Quarterly Bulletin and Short-Term Analysis Notes. GAC also researches and develops macroeconomic forecast models and new economic indicators.

IPEA'S PARTNERSHIPS.

IPEA takes part in important joint projects for the development of Brazil, such as:

- Development Agenda (Ministry of Finance)
- Evaluation of Public Policies in Latin America (IDB/OVE)
- Funding of Agriculture (Presidency of the Republic and Ministry of Agriculture)
- International Poverty Centre (UNDP)
- Urban and Regional Development (Ministries of Culture and of the Cities and Chief of Staff of the Presidency of the Republic)
- Infrastructure and Logistics (Ministry of Development, Industry and Foreign Trade, National Bank for Economic and Social Development – BNDES and CODESP)
- Poverty Line (Ministry of Social Development and Fight Against Hunger)
- Micro-credit (Chief of Staff of the Presidency of the Republic)
- Industrial and Technological Policy (Ministries of Planning, of Finance, of Development, Industry and Foreign Trade, and of Science and Technology, BNDES, FINEP and APEX).
- Innovation Project (Chief of Staff of the Presidency of the Republic)
- Quality of Public Expenditures (Ministries of Mines and Energy and of Health)
- Promotion of Racial Equality (Special Secretariat for Policies to Promote Racial Equality - SEPPIR)
- Social Radar and Atlas (Presidency of the Republic and Ministry of Planning)



IPEA'S TECHNICAL COOPERATION.

IPEA has established technical cooperation with important international multilateral organizations, foreign governments and Brazilian government and private institutions, such as:

ANPEC

The World Bank

IDB

ECLAC

The governments of Argentina, Chile, China, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Panama, South Korea, the United Kingdom, among others.

Ministry of Social Development and Fight Against Hunger

Ministry of Justice

Ministry of Health

Ministry of Labor and Employment

UNDP

City of Recife

City of Rio de Janeiro.

THE IPEA LIBRARY.

The Ipea Library is one of the largest and most traditional libraries and it is renowned in Brazil for its comprehensive collection of publications in economics.

It opened in Rio de Janeiro in 1967 and in Brasilia in 1970.

The library's collections are especially strong in economics, economic and social planning, with approximately fifty thousand items, comprising of books, dissertations and other documents, plus about six hundred titles of journals and periodicals.

One of the features of the IPEA Library is that its collections are available to the general public, with free access to the bookshelves.

IPEA. DISSEMINATING OUTCOMES.

Ipea maintains a regular editorial production that ensures the access to research and studies, in partial or final forms, to a specialized clientele and to society in general. In addition to books, Ipea's editorial service also publishes:

TEXTS FOR DISCUSSION - TO

The TDs are a serial publication with no regular periodicity, aimed to inform outcomes and partial or final analyses of research and studies carried out by Ipea's staff and associate researchers. Their main objective is to open ongoing research for discussion, thus providing information to outside experts and inviting comments and suggestions. These texts are available in the IPEA website in the Internet.

MAGAZINE

"Challenges to Development" – Monthly magazine in partnership with the UNDP.

BULLETINS

Economic Quarterly Bulletin.

Labor Market Bulletin – in a partnership with the Ministry of Labor and Employment.

Industrial Policy Bulletin.

Social Policies Bulletin.

All these publications are available in the Internet.

JOURNALS

Economic Research and Planning (PPE) – This journal brings articles on theoretical and empirical analyses of economic issues and it is published three times a year.

Planning and Public Policies (PPP) – This journal is published twice a year, with articles on methodologies and evaluations of government policies.

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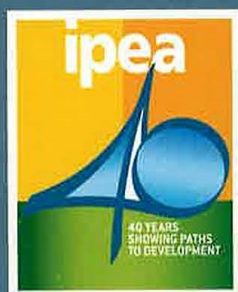
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OMBUDSMAN

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