## **CONCEPT NOTE**

Thirteen years ago, Brazil started its participation in the United Nations Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH). Thousands of Brazilians, civilian and military, labored in the biggest and longest participation of the country in a peacekeeping mission abroad.

Countless remembrances, good and not so good, are now part of individuals and institutions that, so-mehow, experienced fortunate years while supporting that poor Caribbean country in the reconstruction of its identity and in the effort to help pave the way towards its autonomy.

"The Brazilian participation in the mission was successful". This statement, which is a source of pride for each one of us, was made by the United Nations and it reflects the outcome of the sympathetic essence and high performance shown by the Brazilian personnel who have now finished writing this story.

May we now recall this journey and grasp the outcomes of this brilliant Brazilian endeavor.

"BRAZIL IN HAITI,
A SUCCESSFUL STORY"

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#### Target audience

- Members of the Ministry of Foreign Relations and other political and diplomatic actors;
- Members of the Armed and Auxiliary Forces;
- United Nations agencies;
- National and international media;
- Academia, researchers and peace operations experts; and
- Civilians interested in the given topic.

#### Objectives

Due to the richness of this thirteen year cycle, it is hard to fully comprehend the specific experiences each Brazilian contingent went through. In this International Conference, the Brazilian Peace Operations Joint Training Center seeks to praise these years of large knowledge gain by means of the gathering of some important actors of the mission to share their experiences, which will build a holistic and synergic view on the Brazilian presence in Haiti.

Based on planned ideas, both of the United Nations and of the national institutions, we intend to show the steady growth of individual and organizational actors throughout these last thirteen years, trying to deepen some particular aspects:

- 1. Institutional strategies and their operational and tactical application;
- 2. Mission Duration and the different contexts of employment in the field;
- 3. Individual and institutional challenges and opportunities;
- 4. Lessons learned;
- 5. Appreciation of local, national and international communities.

### Methodology

The speakers will deliver their lectures and subsequently, the attendees will be granted time to make questions. The Conference will be held in two days, comprising three lectures in each part of the day.

