



2020 RTRS Field Trip

**A learning tour
to Sorriso -
Mato Grosso, Brazil**

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The Round Table on Responsible Soy Association (RTRS) invites you to our Field Trip to Sorriso, Brazil, February 9-12, 2020.

We have put together a great program. Our overall objective is:

- **getting in touch and learning** about soy production and processing. We will also examine the implementation of RTRS certification and its environmental and social impacts
- **thinking** the relationship that the certification builds with local communities
- **learning about Sorriso's agriculture and its potential**, its integration with logistics and the partnerships with local governments.

This invitation is an opportunity to link with other organizations and RTRS-certified local farmers and communities, to learn and engage in conversations.

Enjoy this tour and be a part of the transformation of the soy value chain.



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Welcome

Welcome to RTRS Learning Tour to Brazil. Below, you will find all the information you may need to be part of the RTRS Field Trip to Sorriso, Brazil.

Throughout this trip, you will get to know RTRS producers more closely. You will also see certified farms of different sizes, witness the positive impacts of RTRS certification and foster integration in the soy supply chain.

We hope you can join us.

About the state of Mato Grosso

Mato Grosso is the biggest soybean, corn, cotton, beef cattle and sunflower producing area in Brazil. There are 3 biomass - Cerrado, Amazon and Pantanal. The state capital is Cuiabá, 450km south of Sorriso.

Sorriso

Worldwide, Sorriso is known as the national soybean capital. The municipality is only 33 years old; most of its production goes out through the North ports in Pará state.

The municipality of Sorriso is one of the biggest fish producers in Brazil, one of the top five fish producing countries in the world.



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Your itinerary

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

The tour starts!

8:00

 **São Paulo to Sinop** Flight 1480 GOL
GRU/OPS depart at 9:25h AM São Paulo time
and arriving 11:00AM in Sinop

 **Bus from Sinop to Sorriso**, 80km
We spend the night in Sorriso, in Darroá
Hotel



MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10

8:00

Visit to a pork integrated producer

10:00

Visit to Nutribras slaughterhouse in Sorriso

LUNCH IN SORRISO

15:00

Visit to a CAT educational project in schools in Sorriso

Meeting with farmers, Sorriso Mayor and
authorities



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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

RTRS certified farms

Members of Friends of the Earth Association (CAT), which supports producers implementing good agricultural practices and/or transitioning to sustainable agriculture.

8:00

Visit to Poranga Farm - Social projects



10:00

Visit Farm Santana - Soy harvest



LUNCH AT THE FARM

14:00

Visit to Farm Sta. Maria da Amazônia - Soy harvest and corn planting; cotton and beef cattle production




DINNER AT THE FARM

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

Back home!

8:00h

 **Bus from Sorriso to Sinop**,
80km

 **Direct Flight - OPS / GRU** Flight 1481
GOL, arriving at 15:15
International Flight to Europe



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Mato Grosso



Santana Farm



Poranga Farm-Social project



Sta. María da Amazônia Farm



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Cases of responsible production, such as the certified farms we propose to visit above, can be empowered and multiplied - The PCI Strategy in Sorriso endorsed by RTRS.

In Sorriso, **the PCI Strategy** is rolling out the **PCI Program** based on its three pillars: Produce, Conserve and Include.

Last June 2019, RTRS joined the Sorriso PCI program signing a Memorandum of Understanding together with CAT Sorriso and IDH, aimed at driving sustainable soy and low-carbon agricultural and livestock production in Sorriso with a new jurisdictional approach.

This cooperation initiative is intended, among other things, to support farmers and traders in the region engaged in responsible soy production and to help develop a jurisdictional market approach towards 100% responsible production, which includes driving the expansion of RTRS certified soybean production areas to reach 150,000 hectares by 2024.



Learn more about **PCI Strategy in this short video.**



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About Friends of the Earth Association (CAT)



Friends of the Earth Association (CAT) was created 17 years ago. Since its creation, CAT has worked on initiatives that recognize and value producers who implement good agricultural practices, who foster the transfer of technologies, and are transitioning to sustainable agriculture, resorting to no-till to protect the soil and implementing the RTRS international certification standard on mid and large size farms.

Our mission is to **“generate wealth while preserving life”**, raise awareness and support good practices in the promotion of social, economic and environmental development. Our partners support our work towards sustainability.

CAT:

- Provides technical assistance to small dairy and organic producers.
- Encourages children to preserve the environment through education projects.
- Fosters the participation of rural women.

CAT has developed these actions based on seriousness, transparency and the constant search for benefits for its members and the general population.

CERTIFIED FARMS	TOTAL PLANTED AREA (HA)	SOY PLANTED AREA (HA DE)	LEGAL RESERVE (HA)	CERTIFIED SOY PRODUCTION (TON)
27	104.335	72.204	35.475	235.493



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Prices

Price per participant

(international flights to São Paulo not included).

€ 935 / person*

*This value is for a group of 10 people; in case the number of participants exceeds 10, the cost of the Field Trip will be lower

This prices includes:

- Translations (Portuguese-English)
- Lunches and dinners. Transfers IN/OUT of hotels. Executive vehicle to visit farms and communities around farms.
- Hotel prices in Sorriso and airfares to and from San Pablo and Sinop are estimates; they may vary based on airline decisions.

IMPORTANT:

The registration will be open until January 24, 2020.

We look forward to hearing from you.



*All participants shall grant a liability waiver and release in favor of Round Table on Responsible Soy (RTRS). This document will be circulated by the RTRS Secretariat and will be collected before the event (January 31st).



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