

## IANAS IN THE ABC-ORGANIZED Science20, A MEETING FOR NON-GOVERNMENTAL PARTICIPANTS TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE G20

Founded in 1999, the G20 is a group composed of the 19 largest economies in the world, in addition to the European Union and the African Union (admitted in 2023). On December 1, 2023, Brazil took on the one-year term rotating presidency of the G20 (until November 30, 2024). Since 2008, when Heads of State and Government began directly engaging in discussions (previously only finance ministers and central bank presidents from these nations participated), the G20 agenda has expanded beyond the economic and financial sphere. In this regard, in 2017, the Science20 (S20) was created to act as the G20's engagement group for the area of science and technology.

The S20 is formed by the national Academies of sciences of G20 countries and promotes a dialogue between the scientific community and policymakers. Its summits are held annually, usually preceding the respective G20 summit. The Brazilian Academy of Sciences (ABC) faces the responsibility of organizing the 8th edition of the S20 that will be held on March 11-12 in Rio de Janeiro. ABC has defined "Science for Global Transformation" as its motto which will be approached in five different task forces: Artificial Intelligence, Bioeconomy, Energy Transition Process, Health Challenges and Social Justice. Representatives from IANAS, IAP, ISC, TWAS and AASSA will participate in this important event. For further information see: <https://s20brasil.org/>.