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Rio 2016 Between National and Olympic Challenges

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THE STORY OF RIO 2016

DE MAATSCHAPPELIJKE BETEKENIS VAN DE OLYMPISCHE EN PARALYMPISCHE SPELEN 2016

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The story of London 2012



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Intention

- Realistic description of Rio 2016
- To help understand what is going on in the field of the Olympics and Paralympics
- To raise the quality of the debate





Rio 2016: the apotheosis

Pan & Parapan American Games (2007) Confederations Cup (2013) Military Games (2014) WC soccer (2014)

Previous recent bids: 2004 en 2012

First time in South-America!



'Ultimate legacy Games'?

Accommodations

Infrastructure

Environment

Sport participation

Social cohesion



Change of political and economic context

"We won the right to hold the games in what was the best time for Brazil in 50 years and are delivering it in the most complicated during the past 50 years." (OCOG)



Concerns population Brazil ('14):

| Rising prices | 85% |
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| Crime | 83% |
| Healthcare | 83% |
| Corruption | 78% |
| Unemployment | 72% |

Source: Pew Research Center (2014)



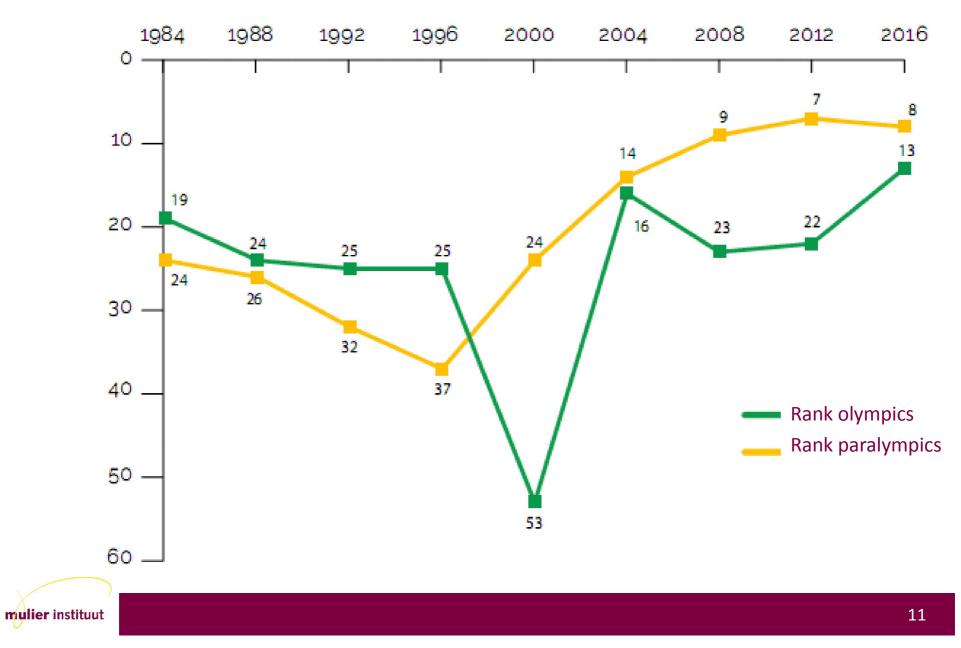
'Most perfect imperfect Games'

Delayed building of accommodations Start up problems Olympic village Absence of large scale incidents Long queues visitors, traffic jams No days off for Brazilians (as opposed to WC soccer '14)

Paralympics: Budget cuts The people's Games Some improvements accessibility bus, subway, taxi Momentary change of attitude towards people with disabilities?



Brazil's elite sport success



Costs > 17 billion euro's

| | Euro's | % public |
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| Operational costs | 2,7 | 0 |
| Accommodation and infrastructure | 14,4 | 62 |

Rio 2016: at least 34% over budget Idem Pan American Games '07 & WC soccer '14

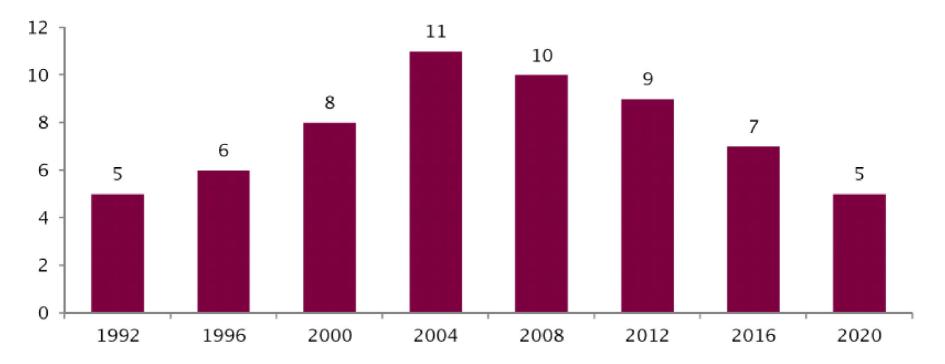
Profits are privatized, costs are socialized

(European Commission, 2016)



Rio reveals weaknesses Games concept

Number of candidate cities 1992 – 2020



Source: Chappelet





Imbalance: *Legacy of inequality*

Positive:

Investments grassroots sports, millions reached Temporary improvement quality of life in some favela's Millions of trees planted, Guanabara Bay somewhat cleaner Rio 2nd Global Sports Cities Index

Negative:

Selective selection of favela's (e.g. not based on crime rates) Forced evictions, lack of sufficient compensation Targets planting trees and cleaning Guanabara Bay not met Inadequate knowledge development as regards legacy Long term effects unclear



Future directions Olympics

New balance required:

The Games that serve the city - the city that serves the Games

- 1. More city oriented requirements of IOC
- 2. Realistic budget estimates of cities
- 3. Increase share of private investments
- 4. Games investments in line with policy goals
- 5. Appoint professionals for meeting legacy goals
- 6. Sufficient tickets with fair prices for local population

Enough opportunities, changes require time



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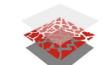


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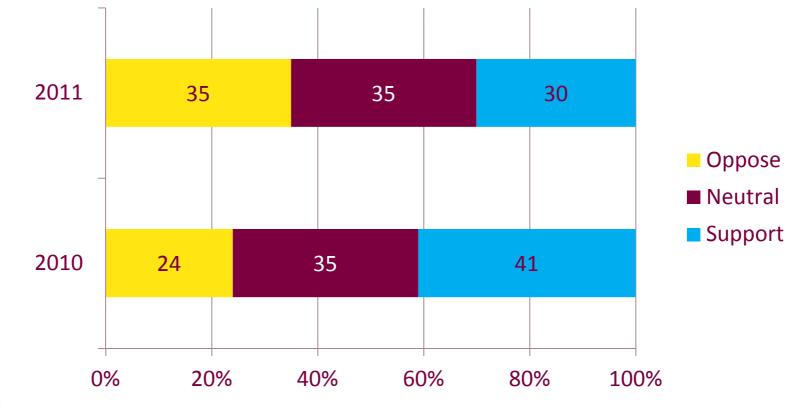


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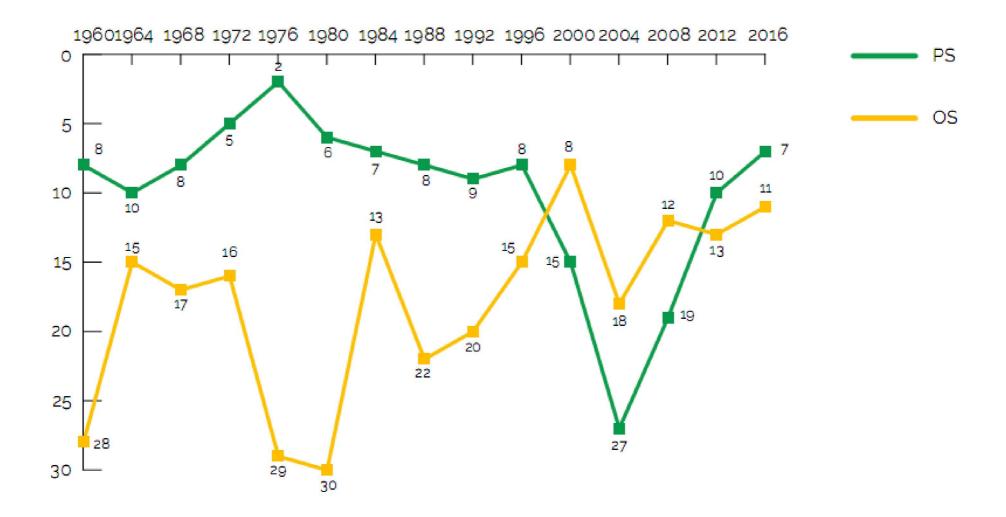
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Support for Olympics, population The Netherlands (%)

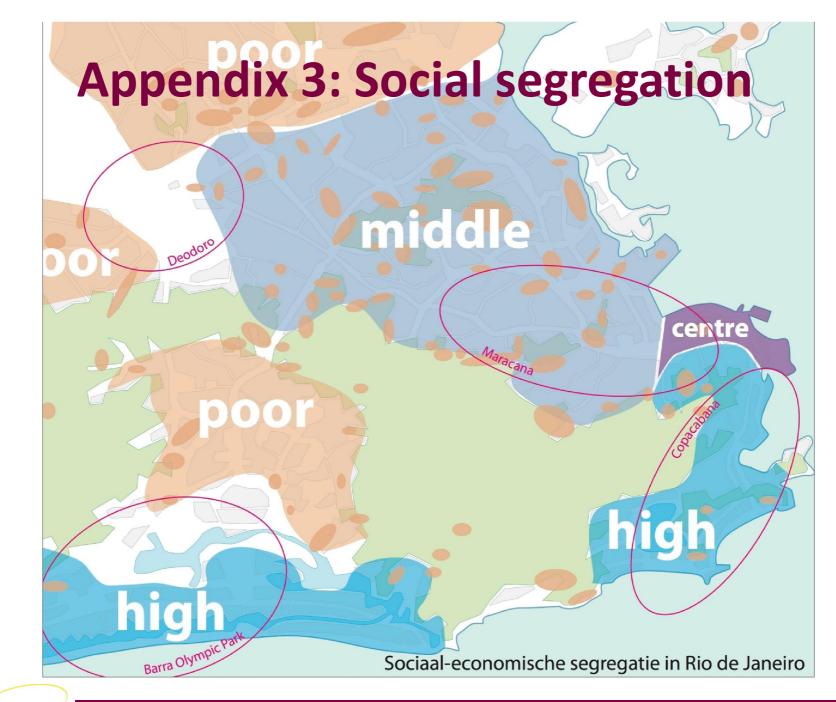




Appendix 2: Medal table NL









Appendix 4: Brazil & Rio

Brazil

Troubled political history

Slow decision-making processes

Corruption

Emerging economy until recently

Bolsa familia: government funding underprivileged children

<u>Rio de Janeiro</u> UNESCO World Heritage status Loss of status of capital in 1960 6.5 million inhabitants 1/5 Cariocas live in 1,000 favelas Sport events for city marketing



Appendix 5: Social legacy programs

'Tweede helft' (meer sport op school)

Budget 95 miljoen euro, 3,5 miljoen kinderen in 19.600 scholen bereikt, nationaal programma

<u>'Meer onderwijs' (impuls sportinfrastructuur op scholen)</u> Budget 371 miljoen euro, 3 miljoen kinderen in 60.000 scholen bereikt, nationaal programma

<u>'Sport in de stad' (sportstimulering in openbare ruimte)</u> Budget 97 miljoen euro, 314.000 personen bereikt op 779 locaties, nationaal programma

<u>'Transforma' (olympische sporten op school + waarden)</u> Met cursussen en evenementen 60.000 personen op >9.000 scholen bereikt, lokaal programma (enkele staten)

