

## **Minister considers environmental oversight a significant step forward for TCU and Brazil**

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Minister Aroldo Cedraz closed the Seminar on Public Policies and Climate Change stating that the event is a new mode of operation of the Brazilian Court of Audit. "The work represents a new understanding by TCU that, in fact, it is more and more focused on the citizen, seeking the greatest possible depth due to the efficiency of the country's public policies, by simply accomplishing what is established in our constitution and trying to bring great contributions to the public administration", declared Cedraz.

He expressed his gratitude to all present, especially to the lecturers and to those who assisted in organizing the event. "My words are cheerful and optimistic, since we were able to watch the extraordinary level of the lectures given, which have contributed to the full success of the event", he said.

Aroldo Cedraz highlighted the recent installation in TCU of the 8<sup>th</sup> Secretariat of External Control, which is responsible for overseeing the environment area. "It is a significant step for our Institution, which has now a qualified staff in a sufficient number to face the Court's challenges regarding public policies. We predict future responsibilities as a developing country and, soon, as a developed country", he affirmed.

The Minister closed the seminar with the perspective of a better positioning of Brazil as regards the environmental issues: "*I believe in our potentialities, in our natural resources, but what I really believe in is the seriousness of those who brought their knowledge to this meeting, who honored us with their presence. I am sure that, together, we will contribute to Brazil adopting a better position on environment in the international scenario*"., concluded.