

## **Brazil CMG Conference 2013**

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I had the good fortune of being invited to speak/present at the Brazil CMG 2013 Conference held in Sao Paulo on August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013. CMG Brazil had a very successful conference. There were approximately 120 attendees at CMG Brazil, and the attendees represented a wide range of end users, technical specialists from vendors, and even some students.

The Conference was a day long event, and was held at a local community college/university. There were 4 tracks running in parallel over the course of the day. Topics covered the entire range of operating systems and platforms, as well as other technologies such as storage and business continuity. CMG Brazil's President (Natalino Oliveira) and his team really do a great job of putting on a regional conference that draws many attendees, at a venue that costs very little compared to the cost of renting a meeting room in a hotel. Holding the Conference at the local university also draws some student attendees.

One of the other noteworthy items about the CMG Brazil conferences is the technical nature of the sessions, and the great interaction between speaker and audience in the sessions.