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WORLD'S BIGGEST MUSIC FESTIVAL, ROCK IN RIO 2006 SERVED BY GABISOM WITH JBL VERTEC® LINE ARRAY SYSTEM

NORTHRIDGE, CALIFORNIA, August 9, 2006 — Gabisom Audio Equipment of Sao Paolo, Brasil provided concert audio services for the world's biggest music festival, Rock In Rio Lisboa 2006, held at Bela Vista Park in Lisbon, Portugal. A 100,000 person audience was in attendance for the festival's opening night May 26 to hear Shakira and Jamiroquai, with equally large crowds in attendance for subsequent shows May 27-June 4 by artists like Sting, Roger Waters, Red Hot Chili Peppers, Carlos Santana and Anastacia. Gabisom deployed a massive JBL VERTEC® line array system for the five show days of the festival at Rock In Rio's World Stage, which was attended by more than 500,000 persons in total.

The largest concert audio company in the southern hemisphere, Gabisom stocks a broad range of loudspeaker inventory from various leading suppliers. For this year's Rock In Rio, which marked only the second time the event has been held outside Brasil, the company relied upon their stadium-sized JBL VERTEC system.

Gabisom's chief engineer for Rock In Rio Lisboa 2006, Peter Racy, coordinated an 11-man audio team. "Our JBL VERTEC VT4889/VT4880 system performed exceedingly well at this year's Rock In Rio event," he observed. "We received nothing but praise from band engineers, artists, promoters, audience members and the regional press."

A total of 98 VT4889 full-size line array elements were suspended at the World Stage, with main left and right arrays comprising 18 enclosures each. These were supplemented with 40 VT4880 full-size arrayable subwoofers, powered by Crown MA5002VZ amplifiers. The system was supported by 40 additional ground-stacked subwoofer enclosures. The Gabisom crew relied upon an additional set of six delay towers, each supporting six VT4889 full-size line array elements, to increase stage-sound throw all the to the back of the audience area, a distance of 366 meters (1,200 feet).



Gabisom provided a JBL VERTEC line array system for Rock in Rio Lisboa 2006 in Lisbon, Portugal.

The major entertainment event featured some of the most notable names in the Portuguese and international music scene. Noted sound mixers onsite included Brad Madix (Shakira), Toby Francis (Guns n' Roses), Dave Rat (Red Hot Chili Peppers) and Rob Mailman (Carlos Santana). Many engineers serving acts on the festival had requested JBL VERTEC in their concert 'riders', based upon success with the system on their own headlining tours.

"We have always been known for being able to supply whatever our international clients expect for their events," noted Jose Luis "Gabi" Ferreira. "With JBL's VERTEC system having now achieved global prominence, and with our long-standing trust and reliance upon JBL loudspeaker components, we felt the time was right to offer this additional option to our clients."

Gabisom has used JBL components for over 25 years in the company's own custom-built festival systems. "The reputation of Gabisom, achieved over many successful years, is well known worldwide," commented David Scheirman, Vice President, Tour Sound for JBL Professional. "Few firms around the globe can offer such a comprehensive set of services, provided by such a large staff skilled in serving international acts. JBL is honored to have one of the world's premier concert audio firms select our tour sound products for use at Rock In Rio, one of Gabisom's highest-profile sound reinforcement projects."

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