



## MAN Latin America increases production

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- **Resende plant's capacity raised to 72,000 vehicles a year**
- **Brazilian market leader for trucks once more**

MAN Latin America is expanding its capacity at the Resende plant in Brazil and will introduce a third shift in March 2010. The company made the announcement at a meeting with Sérgio Cabral, Governor of the Brazilian state of Rio de Janeiro. In making the move, MAN is responding to the growing demand for commercial vehicles in Latin America, and Brazil in particular.

The Resende plant's capacity will be raised to 72,000 trucks and bus chassis a year. In 2009, the capacity for truck and bus chassis production was around 50,000. The partner to the so-called 'Consórcio Modular,' a globally unique modular production system encompassing seven key suppliers, will take 700 new workers on in Resende over the next few weeks. This will bring the total number of people employed by MAN Latin America and its support service providers to 5,400.

"Brazil has left the global economic crisis behind it and will continue to grow this year. We are confident that other countries in Latin America will also see further growth," said Antonio Roberto Cortes, President of MAN Latin America. "MAN will benefit from this." Almost 400,000 vehicles have been produced in Resende since 1996, almost 60,000 of which were from the Constellation heavy truck range. The first MAN trucks from the TGX and TGS heavy truck ranges are expected to roll off the production line at the Brazilian plant by the end of the year.

MAN Latin America continued to lead the market for trucks weighing more than five tons for the seventh year in a row in 2009 with a 30.8% slice of the market. MAN also became the market leader for trucks weighing more than three tons for the first time, enjoying a 30.2% share of the Brazilian market.

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