Brasilian Perspectives on Software Production
(Keynote Panel)

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ABSTRACT
This keynote panel will explore different perspectives on software production from three very experienced leaders in large companies in Brasil. The panelists will present a blend of industrial research and industrial development experiences, and their requirements engineering challenges will be discussed. The keynote panel will be moderated by Julio Cesar Leite of PUC-Rio, the General Chair of RE’13.

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

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