

Our history in Brazil

From the first electric telegraph line to a global technology powerhouse

1867

Supply and installation of a telegraph line between Rio de Janeiro and Rio Grande do Sul

1872

Siemens Brothers supplies the first marine telegraph cable linking Rio de Janeiro and Montevideo (commissioned in 1875)

1888

Rudolf Diehl is appointed Siemens' representative in Rio de Janeiro

1894

The company is commissioned to build Brazil's first steam power plant in Belém

1895

Siemens & Halske (S&H) opens a Technical Bureau in Rio de Janeiro under the name of „Siemens & Halske, Berlin, Representação Geral para América do Sul“

1896–1897

S&H builds Brazil's first electric tram system in Salvador

1898

The Brasilianische Elektrizitätsgesellschaft (BEG) with headquarters in Berlin is founded to function as a financing company for the construction of Brazil's first public telephone exchange

1904

The Brasilianische Siemens-Schuckertwerke Elektrizitätsgesellschaft m.b.H. with headquarters in Berlin is founded

1905

The technical bureau in Rio de Janeiro is reorganized and renamed “Companhia Brasileira de Electricidade Siemens-Schuckertwerke”

1921

S&H supplies South America's first automatic telephone exchange, which goes into operation in Porto Alegre

1939

Siemens constructs a transformer plant in São Paulo

1952

The company is renamed Siemens do Brasil Companhia de Electricidade S.A.

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1952

Siemens opens its own generator plant in Lapa near São Paulo

1960

A telephone exchange is constructed for Salvador

1962

Siemens relocates its headquarters from Rio de Janeiro to São Paulo

1974

The cornerstone is laid for a telecommunications equipment plant in Curitiba, in the state of Paraná

1978

Siemens receives a contract for nine 700 MW generators for the world's largest hydroelectric power station in Itaipú. The first generator is installed in 1983

1997

Siemens delivers Brazil's first three-phase multiple unit trains for the state railway in São Paulo

2002

A research and development center for mobile phone technology is constructed in Manaus

2006

Siemens equips the newly inaugurated offshore platform operated by Petrobras with power supply, telecommunications and automation systems

2007

Siemens inaugurates the largest Latin American power technology plant in Jundiaí (São Paulo)

2009

Siemens builds its first train modernization and assembly center of Latin America in Cabreúva, São Paulo

2011

Siemens is to deliver 60 highly innovative imaging systems and software to the private investor Alliar, making this the largest order of the kind in Latin America

2012

Siemens builds a global research and development center for oil & gas in Rio de Janeiro

2012

Inauguration of the company's first industrial and logistics complex for producing imaging equipment in Brazil and Latin America in Joinville, Santa Catarina

2013

Siemens begins installing the first wind turbines produced by the company in Brazil