

Lula on track for second term in Brazil

Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva holds a 14 point advantage ahead of Sunday's presidential election, despite a corruption scandal involving several high-profile members of his governing *Worker's Party (PT)*. If no candidate garners 50 percent plus one vote, a run-off will take place on October 29



Lula: Predicts first round victory

despite resignations of key members of his centre-left administration and arrest of two PT officials with \$800,000, allegedly to be used to buy documents damaging to Alckmin

47%



Geraldo Alckmin:



Centrist *Brazilian Party of Social Democracy (PSDB)* candidate and former Sao Paulo governor has promised to cut taxes and lower interest rates for Brazil's business elite

33%



Heloisa Helena:



Socialism and Freedom Party (PSOL) nominee. Former PT member was expelled from governing party in December 2003 for voting against Lula's tax reforms and pension proposals

8%

Source: Ibope poll of 2,002 Brazilian adults, conducted Sep 20-22. Margin of error $\pm 2.2\%$

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