Presentations are only part of what is going on at the SNIA's 2013 Storage Developer Conference. The SNIA SMB2/SMB3 Plugfest is also an integral part of the program.

The purpose of this Plugfest is for vendors to bring their implementations of SMB2/SMB3 to test, identify, and fix bugs in a collaborative setting with the goal of providing a forum in which companies can develop interoperable products.

Last year's record Plugfest included over 100 participating Engineers from the following companies and organizations: Apple, Canon, Codenomicon, EMC, HP, IBM, IT Access Co., Ixia, Mathworks, Microsoft, NetApp, Netgear, Oracle, Quantel, Quantum, Red Hat, Samba Team, SUSE Linux, Swifttest and Visuality Systems. This year we are pleased to announce the full participation and continued support of Microsoft, our 2013 SMB2/SMB3 Plugfest underwriter in partnership with NetApp. There is no participation fee; however, participants are responsible for shipping and any hotel drayage arrangements and charges, etc., regarding their equipment.

The SNIA provides and supports networks and infrastructure for the Plugfest, creating a collaborative framework for testing. The participants of the Plugfest work together to define the testing process, assuring that objectives are accomplished.

The SNIA SMB2/SMB3 Plugfest offers:

- The latest Windows client and server software from Microsoft, including test suites that help verify interoperability on various features of SMB2/SMB3 protocols
- Technical support from SMB2/SMB3 engineers to look at traces and help with diagnosing problems
- Plugfest participants are covered by a non-disclosure agreement and entry is restricted to registrants only
- As in previous years, we will open the Plugfest to all SDC attendees for a reception on Monday evening, as an open house for an insider's view

**How Your Company Can Participate in This Year's
SNIA SMB2/SMB3 Plugfest:**

Participation in the 2013 SDC SMB2/SMB3 Plugfest is complimentary for SMB2/SMB3 implementers. Each company is entitled to one complimentary full conference pass. Please reference the *Plugfest Application and Participation Agreement* for details.

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