Rolando Pablos

Rolando Pablos works with Cross-National Advisory Partners, a consulting firm dedicated exclusively to guiding and assisting governmental, private sector and non-profit organizations in their efforts to access domestic and foreign markets, he is a strong advocate for North American market integration.

Most recently he served as the 111th Texas Secretary of State and the Texas Border Commerce Coordinator.







Former Secretary of State of Texas



Manufacturing in North America **Nearshoring Opportunities**



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The Texas-Mexico Manufacturing Nexus

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Initiative intended to:

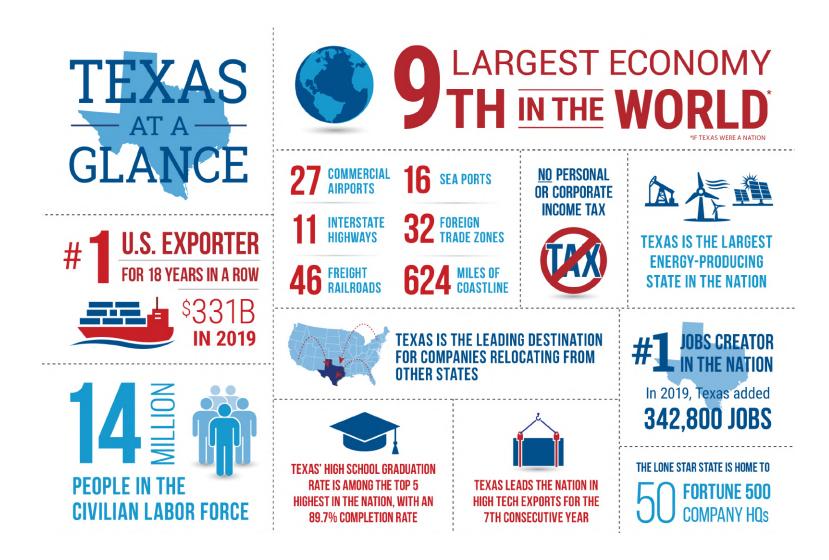
Raise awareness about the tremendous manufacturing and logistics environment that exists in North America

Highlight the importance of working together as **ONE** allied international region and trading bloc

Showcase our combined capabilities as three distinct, but unified nations

TAKEAWAY OBJECTIVES

- THE TEXAS-MEXICO BINATIONAL MEGAREGION
- WORLD-CLASS CROSS-BORDER MANUFACTURING INFRASTRUCTURE
- BINATIONAL JOINT-COLLABORATION EFFORTS





MANUFACTURING

TEXAS IS SECOND IN THE

NATION FOR NUMBER OF

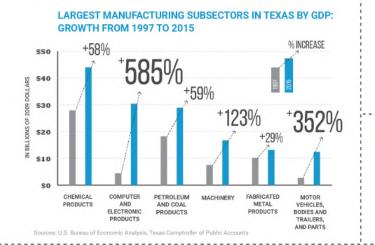
MANUFACTURING FIRMS WITH

Texas has an unusually diverse manufacturing economy. Its resources make it a natural leader in petroleum and chemical manufacturing; its research institutions have fostered computer and other high-tech manufacturing; and its business-friendly environment and skilled labor have nurtured a burgeoning automotive manufacturing sector.





TEXAS MANUFACTURING ACCOUNTED FOR 10% OF U.S. MANUFACTURING GDP IN 2019



TEXAS COMPANIES DOMINATE THE LIST OF AMERICA'S 500 LARGEST PUBLIC MANUFACTURING COMPANIES

IN 2019, TEXAS' MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY DIRECTLY EMPLOYED 917,800



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TARGET INDUSTRY CLUSTERS



- 2. AEROSPACE, AVIATION AND DEFENSE
- **3. BIOTECHNOLOGY AND LIFE SCIENCES**
- 4. ENERGY
- 5. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & CYBERSECURITY



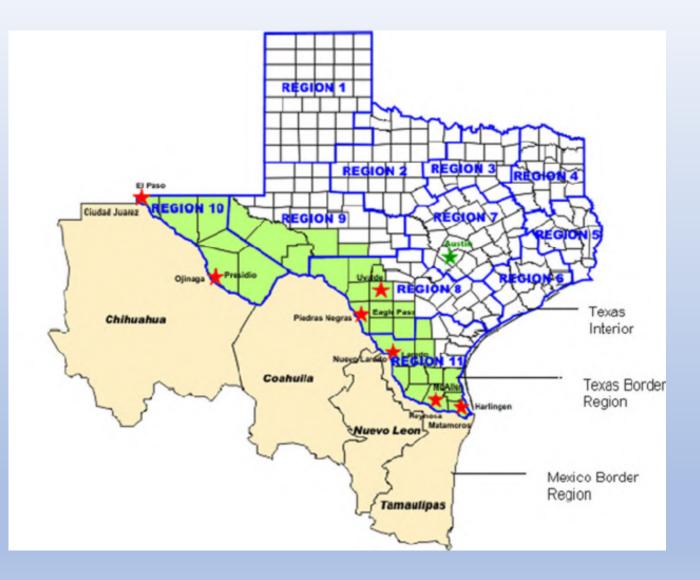
TEXAS AND MEXICO ARE EACH OTHER'S TOP TRADE PARTNERS

THE TEXAS-MEXICO MEGAREGION...

....A UNIQUE MANUFACTURING POWERHOUSE

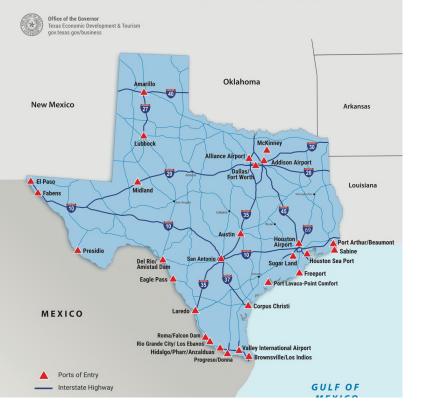


TEXAS-MEXICO PROXIMITY CORRIDOR



TEXAS PORTS OF ENTRY

With 16 Texas seaports, 27 commercial airports and the nation's largest network of freight rail and public roads, Texas offers international companies approximately 29 ports of entry.



PORTS OF ENTRY

THE NORTH AMERICAN BORDERPLEX

MANUFACTURING HUB



ATTRIBUTES OF THE BORDERPLEX MANUFACTURING HUB

Best of Both Worlds

- Tremendous Industry Experience Manufacturing powerhouse over 60years in the making. Hundreds of factories located on both sides of the border
- Robust Logistics Network Transportation Infrastructure; Warehousing; Customs Programs
- Vast Supplier Base Many manufacturing clusters formed
- Qualified Workforce Legitimate manufacturing culture; Excellent universities and skills training programs

MANUFACTURING HUB DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS

Binational collaboration in building a world-class manufacturing corridor

Solid commitment from both sides

Successful regional integration efforts

JOINT-COLLABORATION EFFORTS - GOVERNMENT

- Local & State
 - Mayors
 - Governors
 - Agencies
 - Programs BTAC; Export Assistance; Trade Expansion
- Federal
 - US Congress Senator Cornyn; Reps Hurd, Escobar, O'Rourke
 - US House of Representatives –US and Mexico Consulates –SRE and US Department of State
 - US Department of Commerce and SE
 - Federal Reserve Bank
 - CBP

JOINT-COLLABORATION EFFORTS - PRIVATE SECTOR

- Manufacturers Associations
- Various Transportation Associations
- Cluster Development Organizations
- Chambers of Commerce
- Economic Development Entities

JOINT-COLLABORATION EFFORTS – ACADEMIA/NGOS



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Alejandra De La Vega was appointed in 2016 by the Governor of the State of Chihuahua, Mexico to serve as Secretary of Innovation and Economic Development.

She is also a businesswoman and entrepreneur.

Actively involved on both sides of the border, Mrs. De la Vega serves or has served on numerous business, civic, and charitable boards and committees.







Secretary of Innovation and Economic Development for the State of Chihuahua



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Exponential Talent













STATE GOVERNMENT

Chihuahua is the #1 on the Medical Devices Industry



1st place in Medical Devices Exports 2019



60,000 workers in Medical devices Manufacturing

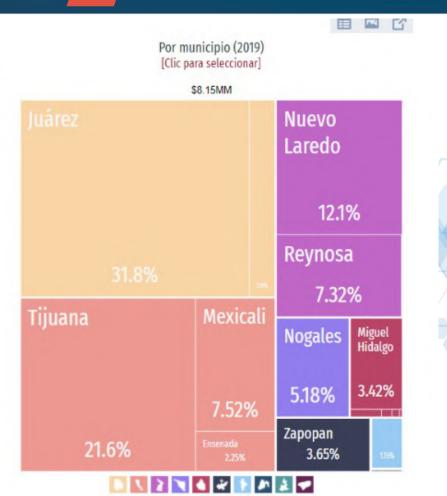


4% above 2nd place with 11,000 less employees



Fuente Secretaria de Economia.

(\$35.4M) y Alemania (\$27.2M).



Ventas internacionales⁰



Chihuahua is the #1 on the **Medical Devices Industry**

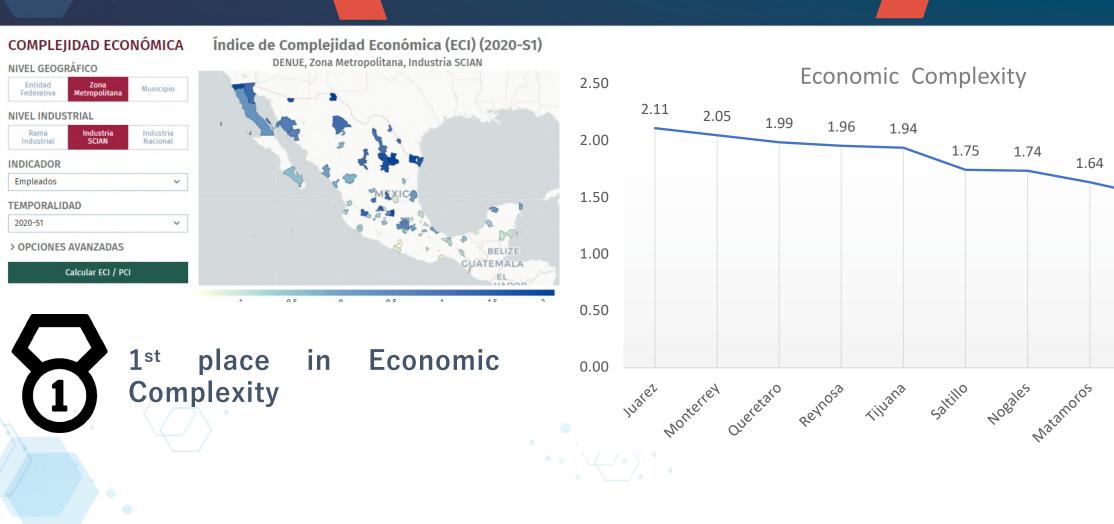
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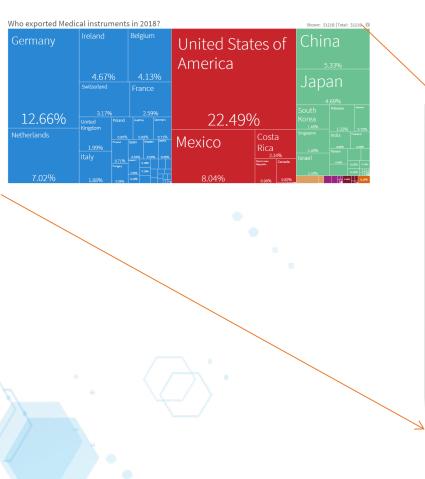




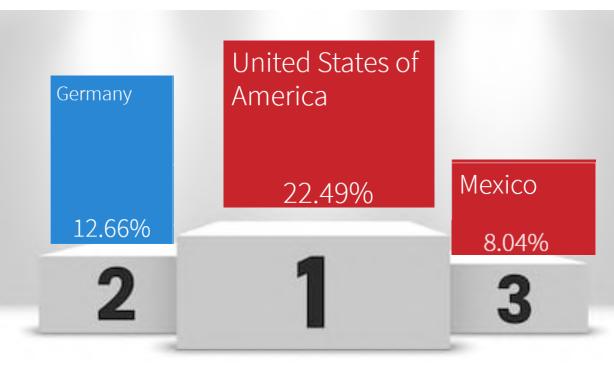


Who is who in Medical

Devices



Worldwide leaders in Medical Device Exports





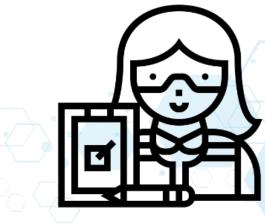


Chihuahua STATE GOVERNMENT

The Strategy for Growth







Education

Cooperation

Innovation



Talent and Industrial Culture



More than +6k engineering graduates, 34k skilled trades graduates and 29% of science, technology, engineering and mathematics graduates (STEMs).



More than 98% of region industry engineers and technicians are local.



State-of-the-art training in the High-Technology Training Centre and in the 59 universities and 65 vocational/technical institutions of the state.



Extensive Skilled Workforce; 909,403 formal jobs in the IMSS as of November 2019, friendly and stable unions with an industrial culture of more than 3 generations



Chihuahua's Competitive

Advantages



The State of Chihuahua leads the fight against corruption; in November 2019 the organization #MexicoSinCorrupcion positioned Chihuahua at number 1 as the most transparent and corruption-free state with an index of 18.2% ahead of Querétaro and Baja California



World Class Infrastructure and Availability of Natural Gas for Industrial Projects.



Clusters and Industries with Advanced Integration and Cooperation; 14 clusters working together



Chihuahua STATE GOVERNMENT

Strategic Logistics

Located in the north-west region of Mexico.

Neighboring States with Texas and New Mexico.

Largest shared border with the United States.

Access to East and West coast from the same location





STATE GOVERNMENT

Diversified



Automotive

157 Suppliers 155K Employees 2 OEMS Aerospace

45 Suppliers 17K Employees 6 OEMS **Medical Devices**

54 Suppliers 60K Employees Electrical and Electronics

126 Suppliers 94K Employees



Medical Device Cluster

More than 60k employees and 54 companies producing state of the art products in medical devices and pharmaceutical products.





STATE GOVERNMENT

Medical Device

Success Stories

Johnson Johnson

- Recognized in the fortune index as one of the largest medical companies in the world
- More than 134,000 total employees Worldwide and 8,000 in Chihuahua state
- □ The first company in Chihuahua that manufacture medical devices based on cardiovascular and neurovascular catheters, sutures and ultrasonic technology equipment.





- More than 70,000 employees worldwide and 2000 in Chihuahua across two plants making catheters.
- BD is ranked #195 in the 2019 Fortune 500 list
- The first medical company to manufacture internal and external urinary stabilization devices
- Annual revenue of US \$ 63,000 billion



STATE GOVERNMENT

Innovation and

Technology Development

2 Innovation and Technology Development Centers in progress: SPARK (Chihuahua) & CIITA (Juarez).





Government Support

The Chihuahua State Government is fully committed to support new investment projects with attractive and tailor made incentives.

We ask you to provide quantitative data to make an analysis of your projects & define State support.

✓ Investment Amount

- ✓ Payroll Quality
- ✓ Strategic Sectors
- ✓ Local Procurement
- ✓ Intellectual property development
- ✓ Geographic Location

Up to 10% of Capital Expenditure (CAPEX) Payroll tax

Worker training

Real Estate





SECRETARIAT OF INNOVATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



Thank You Secretariat of Innovation and Economic Development



Alejandra de la Vega Secretary



Javier Corral Jurado Governor of Chihuahua

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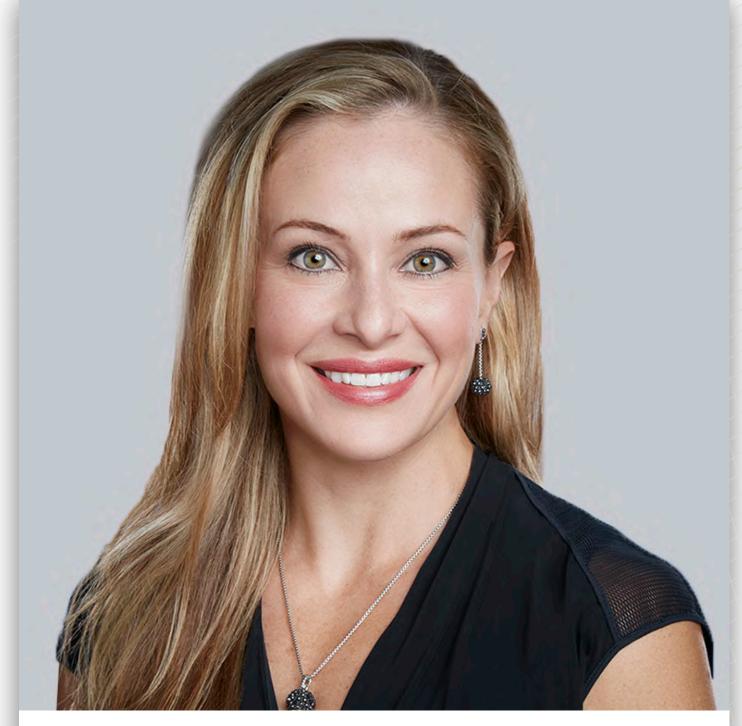
Emma Schwartz

Emma Schwartz is President of the Medical Center of the Americas (MCA) Foundation.

She serves on numerous boards and committees.

She was also appointed to the El Paso United COVID-19 Transition Task Force, also she was inducted into the El Paso Business Hall of Fame and named 2017's El Pasoan of the Year.





President at Medical Center of The Americas Foundation



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Medical Device Development in Mexico: Value Added Industries

Medical Device Industry - Trends

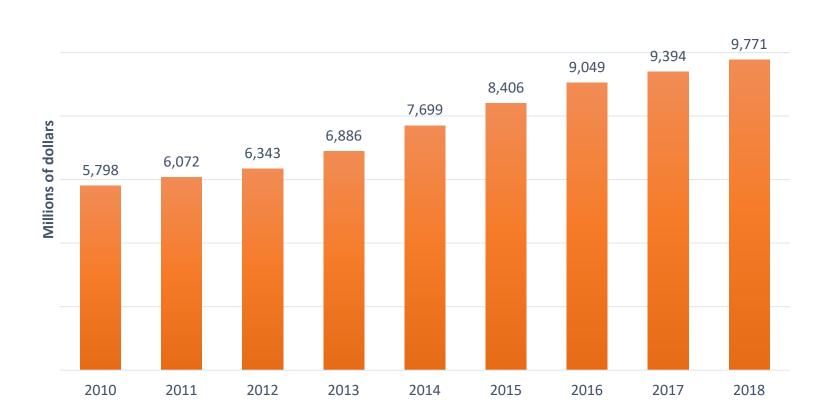
The global medical devices market size was valued at \$425.5 Billion (USD) in 2018 and is expected to reach \$612.7 Billion (USD) by 2025

COVID-19 Disruption

- Stockpiles
- Supply chains
- Regulatory processes

Mexico's Medical Device Exports

Mexico's Medical Devices Exports



- 8th global place as an exporter
- 1st place in Latin America as an exporter
- Main supplier of the USA
- Chihuahua state exports in 2018: 3,864 million



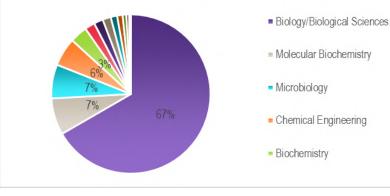
Source: Global Trade Atlas data

El Paso-Juarez MedTech Sector Economic Contribution

Educational Institutions

- 7 charter school districts
- 9 independent school districts
- 13 post- secondary institutions
- 15 programs in the LS field





Workforce

- 1,022 local jobs in 75 establishments in the Life Sciences/Medical devices sector in El Paso
- 7% of 329 companies participating to the IMMEX program in Juarez focus on the medical industry
- Average earnings for the advanced industries is \$65,106 per year -Compared to an average of \$38,720 for all industries
- Professional, Scientific and Technical Services field is the third highest paying job category locally
- Talent:
 - 500 Army Veterans transition each month from Fort Bliss to civilian life locally
 - Transferrable skillsets to medical devices sector

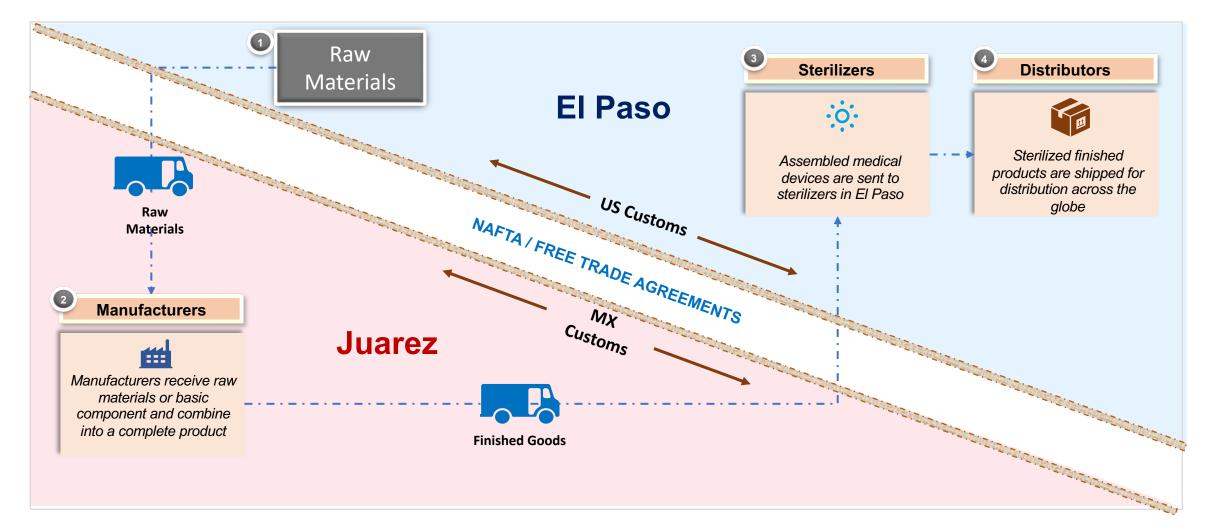
Healthcare

- Texas Tech physicians, clinics, and partnering hospitals provide over \$33 million in free healthcare to El Paso each year
- 14 Hospitals
- Texas Tech University:
 - School of Medicine
 - School of Nursing
 - School of Biomedical Sciences

Incentives

- El Paso Foreign Trade Zone
 - Ranked 11 among over **300** centers in the U.S.
 - Contributed to 2,366 jobs to the community in 2017
 - 22 direct customers but only 2 are medical devices manufacturers, representing 10% of the volume

Manufacturing Movement in the BIO-EPJ Region



Positive Impact of Medical Devices on the Border

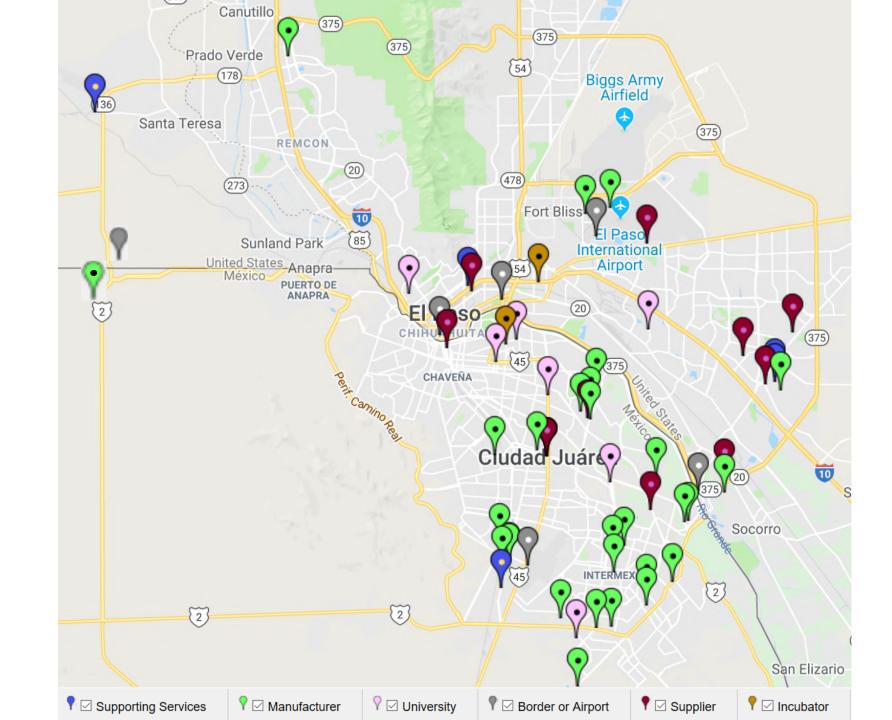


Stats

- Annual trade is \$101 bn / yr
- El Paso exports \$22.4 bn to Mexico
- 23,000 pedestrians cross each day
- 50,000 residents of El Paso and 115,000 in wider region cross into MX to work in Maquiladoras (US Manufacturing)

El Paso – Juarez Biomedical Ecosystem

This map is a visual representation of manufacturers, suppliers, and universities which contribute to the biomedical ecosystem in El Paso & Juarez.



INDUSTRY SNAPSHOT



Over 30 medical device manufacturers in EPJ producing Class I, II, and III medical devices



Over 50 medical device suppliers



Projected to grow by 11% over next 5 years in El Paso



Corporate, contract, and drug/device combination manufacturing



Value/Supply Chain Gaps



Employing over 40,000 in EP-J



Over 20% cost-savings in producing medical devices in MX



Workforce/talent pipeline needs



FDA regulation / compliance needs



Over 30 MD Companies in the Region | More Than 40,000 Direct Jobs



Medical Device Manufacturing Value Chain Regional Participation



complemented by prototyping capabilities **BIO El Paso-Juarez** drives innovation, collaboration, growth and resilience in the regional medical device sector by bringing together medical, industrial, academic, governmental, and entrepreneurial leadership.



Innovation & Manufacturing Strategic Framework

Clinical trials Sense of purpose **CULTURE** Incentives Political will Passion 100 Collaboration Customs Innovation & Manufacturing Engine 23 TALENT R&D competencies Manufacturing REGION Management Quality of Life Education & training Transportation Internships Border access Commercial real estate

- Outdoors

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PATIENTS & PROVIDERS

Translational research

INFRASTRUCTURE

- Incubators
- Hospital beds
- Manufacturing
- Laboratories
- Water, Sewer
- Bandwidth
- Hotel beds
- Highways, etc.

CAPITAL

- Venture capital
- Lending
- Private equity
- Grants
- Housing

Experience shows that life sciences innovation and manufacturing rely on

several ingredients. Deny any one and growth will be limited.

The BIO-EPJ Medical Device cluster nurtures a holistic ecosystem in order to achieve its vision.

GOALS & OBJECTIVES

- Promotion:
 - BIO International
 - MedTech Conference (with exhibitor booth)
 - MD&M West (Medical Design & Manufacturing)
 - THBI Conference
 - Baja Cluster Summit
- Talent Development:
 - FDA Courses in GMP, Regulatory Compliance, Design Control, etc.
 - COFEPRIS Summit in Ciudad Juarez
- Connections & Collaborations:
 - THBI and CPRIT Roundtable
 - Annual El Paso/Juarez Medical Device Summit
 - Member networking events and plant tours
- Strategic Planning for Growth:
 - U.S. EDA grant to conduct bi-national ecosystem map and cluster analysis
 - Develop industry-driven task forces to address ecosystem gaps





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We are here to serve you!

Emma W. Schwartz CEO, BIO-EPJ 915-269-2569 emma@MCAmericas.org

Wilf Ruiz-Caban

Wilfredo Ruiz-Caban joined the CONMED as Executive Vice President of Quality Assurance & Regulatory Affairs in September 2015 and in February of 2016 was named Executive Vice President of Quality Assurance, Regulatory Affairs and Operations.

Mr. Ruiz also has held a number of managerial positions in manufacturing and quality operations.







Executive Vice President Quality Assurance, Regulatory Affairs and Operations at CONMED

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A little bit about us....CONMED Today

Our Story...

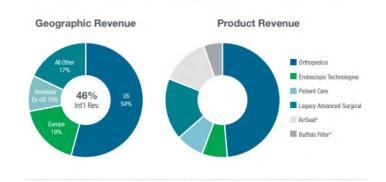
• A global medical technology company with over 50 years serving customers.

- We specialize in the development and sale of surgical and patient monitoring products and services.
- Our mission focuses on allowing our physician customers to deliver high quality care and as a result, enhanced clinical outcomes for their patients.
- Global presence with iconic brands playing in a growing field - Orthopedic, Laparoscopic, Robotic & Open Surgery, Gastroenterology & Pulmonology and Cardiology & Critical Care specialties have come to value the CONMED name across the world.

CONMED Today

2019 Company Snapshot

\$955M / FY2019 Revenue



Orthopedics

Surgical devices including capital, single-use, and implants used in the repair of soft tissue and joint injuries.

General Surgery

Low Impact" Laparoscopy, enabled by the AirSeal® System

GI therapeutic and diagnostic products

ECG, MFE (Multi-Function Electrodes), and other Patient Care devices

OR Smoke Management, Buffalo Filter® product line

79% Recurring, single-use revenue

3,300 Employees globally

1970 Founded and Headquartered in Utica, New York



Looking to the future...

New Product Revenue as % of Total



- Innovation becoming a Company strength
- New product revenue a meaningful contributor
- Market opportunity, margin profile, and innovation as inputs to pipeline decisions
- Exceptional connection to global market Key Opinion Leaders

Key focus....

- ✓ People Core to our strategy and success
- ✓ Products Global customers expect continued innovation in their specialties
- Improving Profitability Consistent execution enhancing the profit outlook

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Certifications

- FDA Facility Registration # 3007305485
- ISO 13485:2016 Certification No FM 594143 Exp 05/13/2021
- COFEPRIS Mexican Certificate Act # 143301129X0205
- UL Subscriber 100546021
- Intertek Brazil Subscriber 4008706
- **TUV Rheinland TUVBR326-R01**
- JPAL Certification \checkmark
- Industria Limpia (Environmental)
- OEA (Formal Audit Approved)
- GPTW (27 place in the national ranking)

Site Profile

- Started operations in 2008
- Total Employees over 850 •
- Two shift operation Mon-Fri
- 43M+ units shipped per year •
- 940+ SKU's
- 550+ Suppliers/ Over 5000 part numbers
- Total Plant Area 178,350 sqft
 - Clean Room Manufacturing 52,900 sqft \checkmark
 - Electronics Manufacturing 21,200 sqft \checkmark
 - Warehouse 30,250 sqft B1, 40,000 sqft B2 \checkmark
 - Offices and Common areas 57,000 sqft

Manufacturing Capabilities

- Extrusion lines
- Ultrasonic Welding
- Ultrasonic Cleaning
- Mechanical Assembly
- Pad Printing
- **Electronic Box Build**
- Electrical Test
- Testing vision systems
- Cable Assembly
- Sterile Packaging









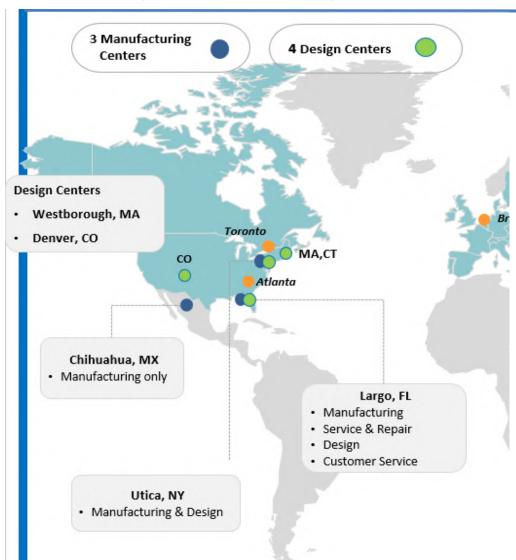


Our Products

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Specimen Bags Specimen & citology devices evacuation pencils	isoles				Beam	reusable	Electrodes	Cleaning
Dispersive	Fluid anagement Systems	Cords and Cables	Connecting Tubing Trip Tri – Lumen Extrusion Spiral	evacuation pencils	specimen & citology devices	Dispersive	Bags Filters	



Global Operations Footprint



Why did we come to Mexico?

- Like many other companies, we were looking to improve our cost
- From 13 international mfg operations we optimized our footprint to 3 mfg centers
- Leverage of NAFTA advantages Proximity, access, IP protection, industrial base
- American Industries



Why did we choose Chihuahua?

- Chihuahua is one of the most important manufacturing centers in North America
- World class industrial parks infrastructure and buildings available and according to our needs
- Design and advanced engineering centers specialized in giving support to companies
- Highly specialized workforce at a competitive cost
- Important universities and technological institutes from where a large number of highlevel professionals graduate every year
- Multicultural business environment and with professionals who speak English language
- Nearby border in El Paso Texas just 230 miles away from Chihuahua City
- Location and logistics with infrastructure, facilitating the products transportation and sterilization.
- Shelter companies giving the support and advice to new companies that need to invest

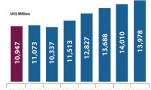


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Mexico's Medical Devices Industry

Mexico's Medical Devices Production Outlook 2014-2020

Mexico's Medical Devices Consumption Outlook 2014-2020



2013* 2014* 2015* 2016* 2017* 2018* 2019* 2020* "Estimated Source: Estimates by ProMexico, with data from INEGI, Global Trade Atlas and IHS



Chihuahua is located 200 miles South from El Paso, Texas



38 Universities in Chihuahua City









Public:

Universidad Autónoma de Chihuahua (UACH) Universidad Autónoma de Durango (UAD) Universidad Pedagógica Nacional (UPN) Universidad Politécnica de Chihuahua Universidad Tecnológica de Chihuahua (UTCH) Instituto Tecnológico de Chihuahua (ITCH) Instituto Tecnológico de Chihuahua II Centro de Formación y Actualización Judicial

Private:

Centro Chihuahuense De Estudios De Postgrado Universidad TecMilenio Universidad del Desarrollo Profesional (UNIDEP) Universidad del Valle de México (UVM) Universidad Interamericana del Norte (UIN) Universidad de Estudios Avanzados (UNEA) Universidad La Salle Chihuahua CUDACH Corporativo Universitario de Arquitectura Escuela Libre de Psicología (ELPAC) Isthmus Norte Estudios Superiores de la Comunicación Tecnológico de Monterrey (ITESM) Centro de Especialidades en desarrollo y Educación Centro de Estudios de Posgrado y Capacitación Mundo Centro de Estudios Penales y Forenses Centro de Estudios Superiores del Norte (CESNO) Centro de Estudios Superiores Elizabeth Seton (CEIES) Centro de Estudios Superiores Ignacio Allende Centro de Estudios Superiores Milton H. Erickson Centro de Estudios Universitarios Univer Centro Regional de Estudios Superiores Palmore Centro Universitario de Chihuahua Claustro Universitario de Chihuahua Colegio Nueva Vizcaya Conservatorio de Música de Chihuahua ELPAC Universidad de Ciencias del Comportamiento

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Universidad Regional del Norte (URN)









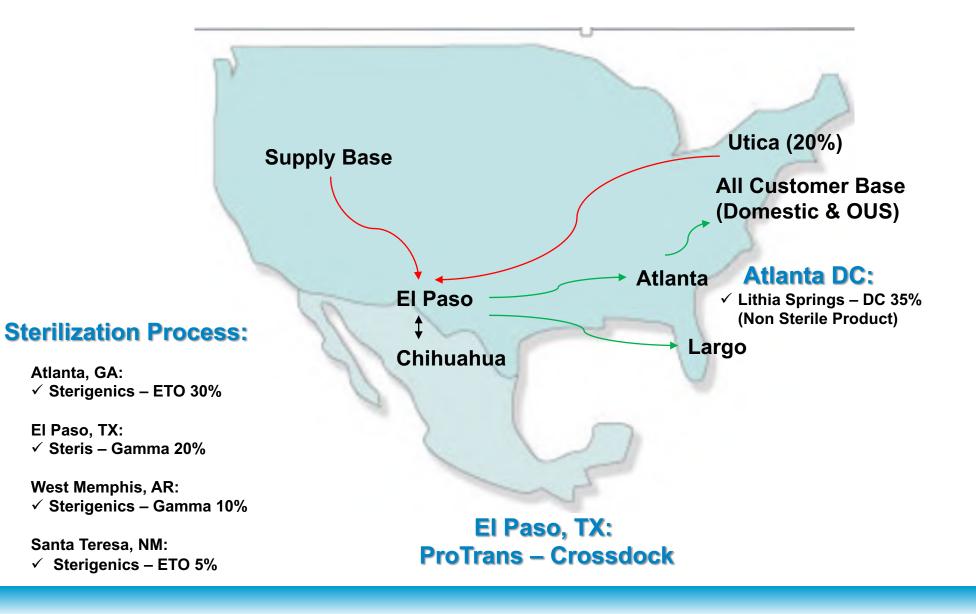








Inbound – Outbound Logistics





Why did we choose American Industries?

- Solid shelter company with extensive experience supporting investors
- High level of expertise in the areas of customs, finance, human resources and fiscal management
- Company with an excellent image, and good and close relationship with the government, associations, educational institutions and engineering and technological training centers.
- Specialized Real Estate department giving advice and with availability to adapt the building according to the company needs.
- Specialized customs area offering tax incentives in import and export processes
- Financial and legal advice by experts, available at all times
- Most advanced purchasing, finance, payroll and customs systems available to companies
- Highly trained human talent available at a competitive cost













Our People

This certification is given to companies that are focused on improving the life quality of their employees

A great place to work is a company where:

The employees Achieve or exceed business **objectives** Every one give **the best of themselves** There is a sense of **team and family** In an environment of **HIGH CONFIDENCE**

- ConMed Chihuahua has 7 consecutive years achieving this certification
- 27th place in the ranking of the best companies to work for in the country





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2020

Los Mejores Lugares para

Trabajar

Great Place

To Work。



Thank You !



Adán Gómez

Adán has more than 20 years of experience working in world-class and multicultural environments facilitating and promoting the establishment of new businesses in Mexico with a strong focus on the manufacturing industry, including the aerospace, automotive and auto-parts, medical devices and electric and electronics sectors.

He is responsible for coordinating the business development team at American Industries Group.







Business Development Director at American Industries®



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Softending in Nexico



American Industries®

Partner for Success®



End of Globalization or opportunity to reinvent it?

every event impact us...

... more frequent and severe unexpected events



Acute climate change



Macroeconomic/ financial crisis



Trade dispute



Pandemic



Chronic climate change



Cyberattack



Terrorism



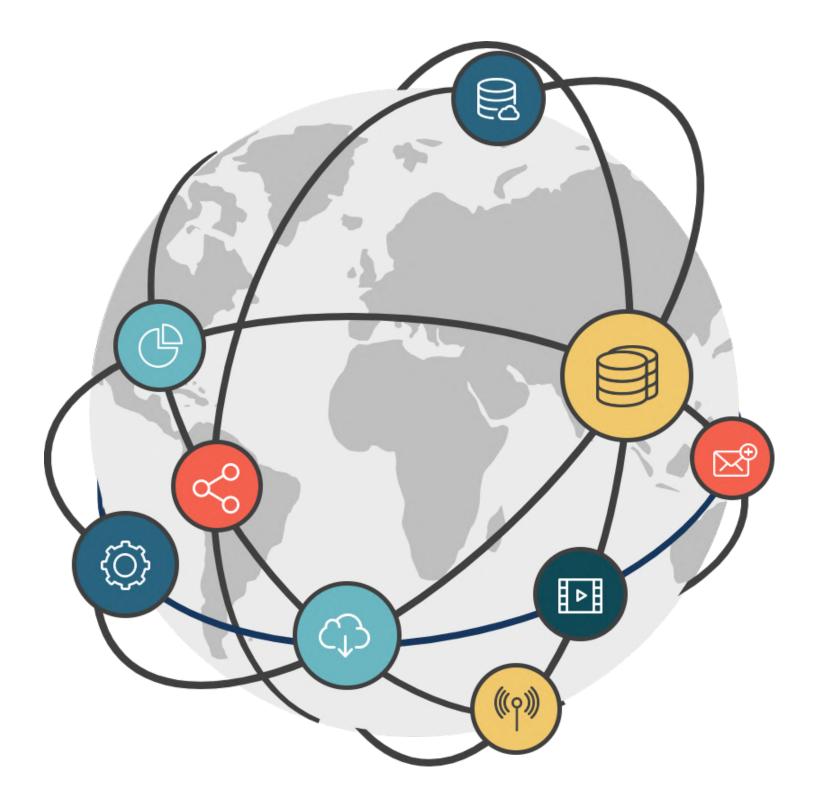
Supplier bankruptcy

Concerns



a disruption of this lenght 2+ months occurs in intervals of 4 - 5 years average

Events that finally forces many companies, and entire industries, to rethink and transform their global supply chain model



Companies have exposed their vulnerabilities, specially those highly depending on China



Reshaping of the Global Landscape

China's dominant role as the "world's factory" means that any major disruption puts global supply chains at risk



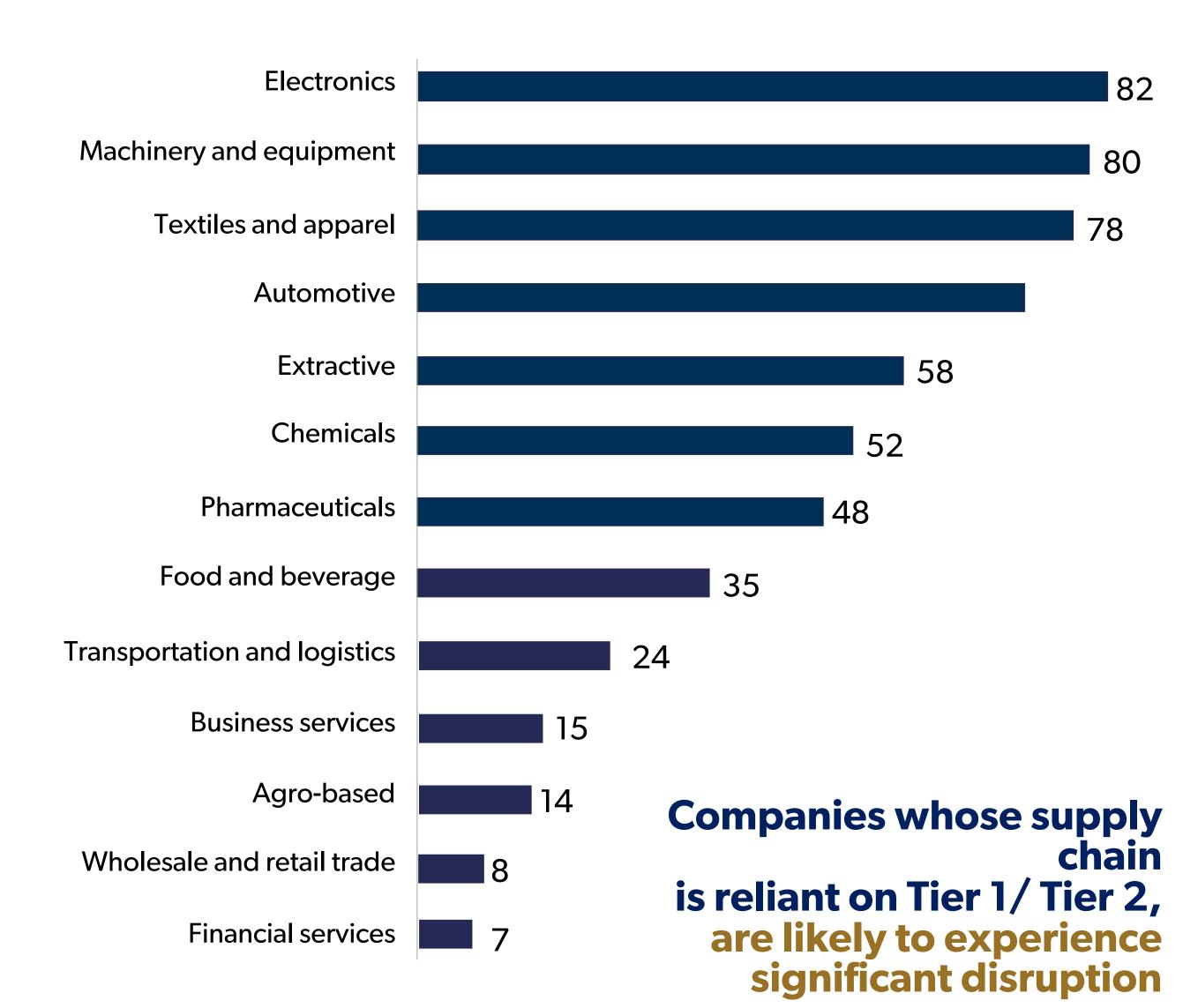
of Global Trade

involves nations with declining political stability scores



Degree of Internationalization of selected industries

gross exports as a share of output (%)



Concerns drive diversification, **Global sourcing trends**

+/- Shifts in policies and regulations have changed how businesses can operate

- **US-China relations** 1.
- **COVID-19 impacts** 2.
- **Competition with Chinese companies** 3.
- Tariffs 4.
- **Cost increases** 5.
- **Travel restrictions** 6.
- **Licenses and approvals** 7.
- **IPR enforcement** 8.
- **Data flows / Cybersecurity** 9.
- **Innovation policies** 10.
- Investment restrictions on foreign companies 11.



15-30% **GDP decline in major** economies Workforce forced to stay home

<US\$1T **Global FDI falling to** - 40% due to COVID impact

Success in today's global manufacturing landscape requires the flexibility to respond & capitalize on, **near-term disruptions**





Why Mexico? Think more strategically about where to invest in new manufacturing capacity



Ensure flexibility, dynamism and global balance By optimizing manufacturing and supply chain capabilities



Consider nearshore production, close to customers to improve market and reduce inventory



Certainty in trade policies New USMCA and the largest network of FTA's



Adaptive and highly skilled labor force That can adjust to new technologies and policies



Focus in enhancing productivity Through advanced manufacturing technologies

Wages rose faster than productivity lately (+ a strong dollar vs peso)



Within Mexico, companies can adopt a

regional strategic approach

Savings on labor from manufacturing offshore may be offset by the ability to:

- Reach markets more rapidly
- Replenish inventory
- Output Develop product prototypes
- Implement design changes



shipping time



* Comparison between Mexico and China









Setting up operations in Mexico: Facilitation process

Site Selection:

The best location for your project

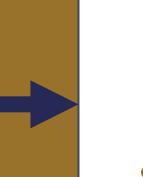
Business case support: How much would it cost you to operate in Mexico, under different scenarios and locations

Perform all necessary Mexican Legal and Administrative requirements

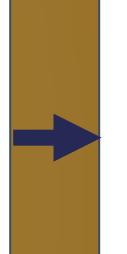
Provides all manpower needed and maintain labor environment



Find the best space solution: **BTS or existing**



Start-up and setting up assistance successful operation of a plant in Mexico



Manages day to day **Customs and** transportation logistics

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Site selection

Understanding the **Project**

Regional **Site-Selection**

Building options

Selected Site

- Project scope
- Ompany objective
- Orporate criteria
- Cities rough cut Ost analysis
- Evaluation matrix
- Final Site Selection
- Oue dilligence Second Second
- Site visit Incentives

Select Location

• Product / Processes / Supply Chain

- City Profile: Border, Interior, large/medium size \bullet
- Time Frame
- Talent requirements: # and Skills / Stability
- Logistics: Lead time, customers / suppliers
- Quality of Life: Ex-pat and families
- Educational Infrastructure: Pool / Availability • Security

Mazatlán

Facility

Time Frame

- Utilities requirements
- Existing or Build-To-Suit Facility
- Buy or Lease
- Outside or Inside Industrial Park
- Curv Appeal

Incentives and support programs

• Based on projects characteristics and needs



Victoria

Options to setting up in Mexico

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5 Business **Models To Start** Manufacturing in Mexico



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Which business model better fit your needs

- Wholly owned subsidiary
- Find a JV Partner
- Outsourcing Ο
- **Contract Manufacturing** \bigcirc



Shelter Program

About American Industries®

American Industries[®] is a private Mexican company that has helped 200 over international companies to successfully start up and grow their distribution and manufacturing operations throughout Mexico since 1976 through our 2 Business Units:



Shelter Services

Administrative support for your operation



Industrial Real Estate Ideal space solutions



American Industries®



CLIENTS: + 50



HC: +14,000 employees



Industrial Parks: 14



Buildings: +125 / 14 M ft2 Tenants: 149



Trade transactions: +30,000 trouble-free





Our Mission

To provide high quality, value added products and services that facilitate the successful establishment and operation of international companies in Mexico





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American Industries® presence in the most important Industrial locations



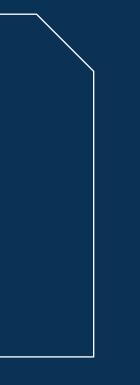


-4.5 years

Assisting Foreign Investors in Manufacturing Industry

+ 200 clients

Shelter and/or Real Estate Customers









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Services & Products

- Services: Site Selection, PM
- **Industrial Parks**
- **Inventory Buildings**
- **Multi-tenant Facilities**
- **Modular Warehousing**
- **Build to Suit Lease**
- **Sale and leaseback**



Shelter Concept

Client manufacturing in Mexico:

✓ Management to direct operations **Partner for Success®** ✓ Full control over production, Quality, Engineering, Design, Delivery



American Industries provides:

- ✓ Administrative support
- ✓ Consulting firm
- ✓ Partnership in México

"You bring your manufacturing expertise, we provide you with a comprehensive package of administrative functions required for your business to succeed in Mexico."

Focus on your core business, We'll take care of everything else!



Setting-up process under different frameworks **NOT-INCORPORATED**

- Existing legal entity
- Existing maguila (IMMEX)
- Existing VAT certification
- Fastest start-up option 2 to 3 months
- Permits and structure already exist
- Reduces exposure and liability in Mexico
- Maximize savings

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INCORPORATED

- It is a most if your Mexican operation is required to invoice in Mexico
- New legal entity / entity incorporation is required
- All licenses, permits and certifications need to be obtained prior to operating
- Application for a new maquila (IMMEX) program is needed
- Application for a new VAT certification is needed
- 6 to 7 months for initiate operations
- Full exposure and liability in Mexico





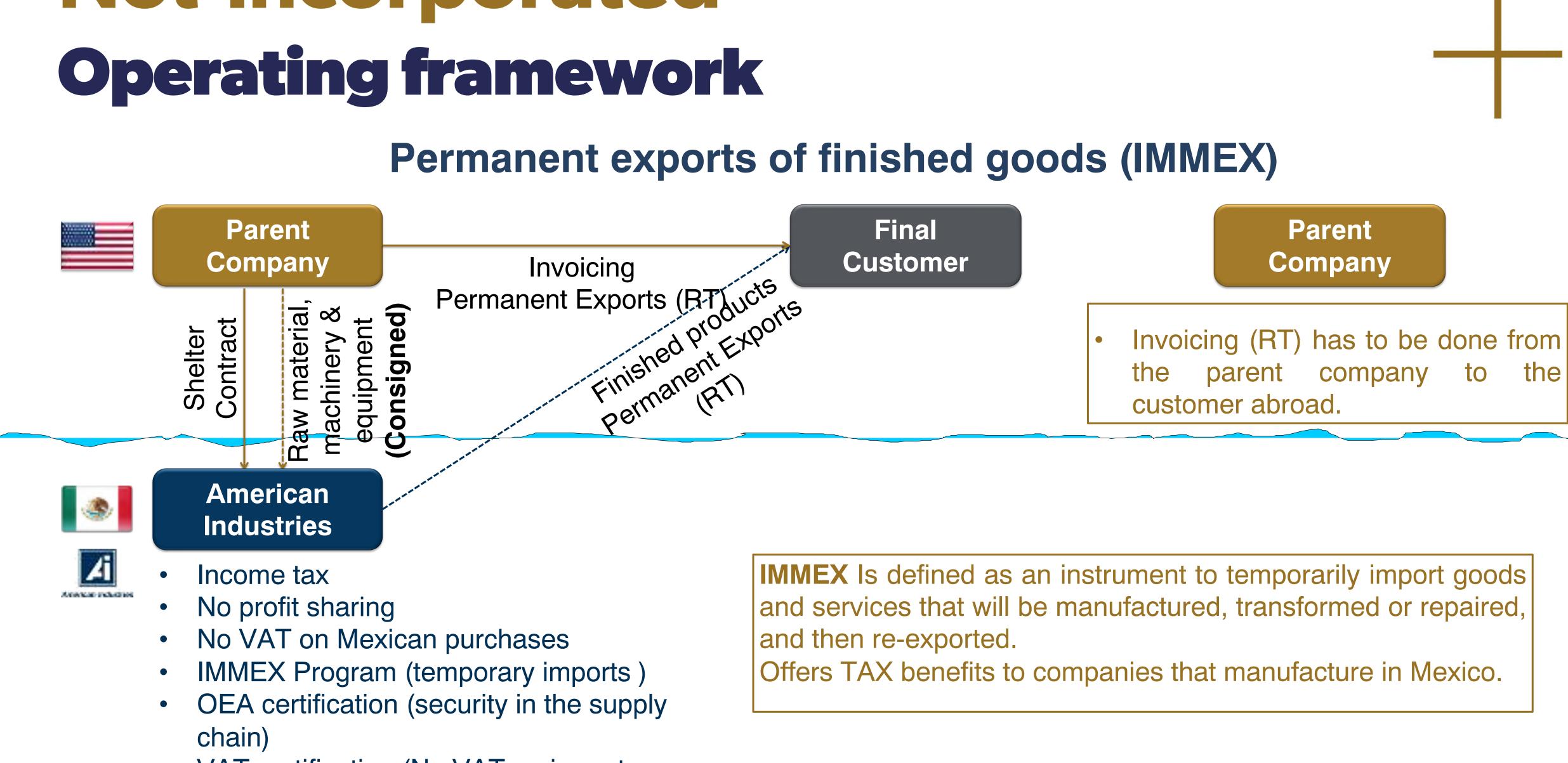






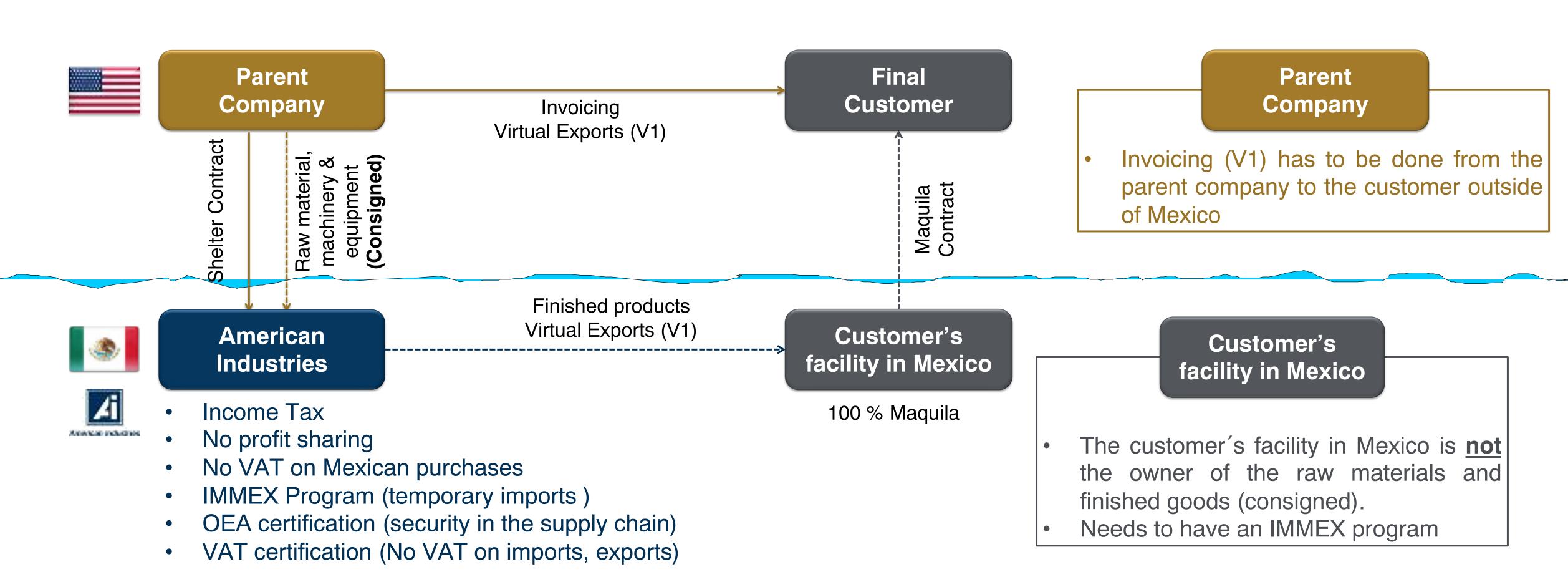


Not-Incorporated



VAT certification (No VAT on imports,

Not-Incorporated Operating framework





Virtual exports of finished goods (IMMEX)

Services covered Under Al Shelter Program

- 37 Services
- Term: Typically 4 years for Start-up and run
- No entrance or exit fee
- All-size of projects
- All sectors



Responsibilities under Al Shelter Program

Manufacturing	Engineering	Quality
Maintenance	Design	Scheduling
Raw Materials	Inventory Management	Purchasing Direct Mat

- Management to direct operations
- Full control over production and quality
- Machinery & equipment
- Raw materials



Client



Plant Manager





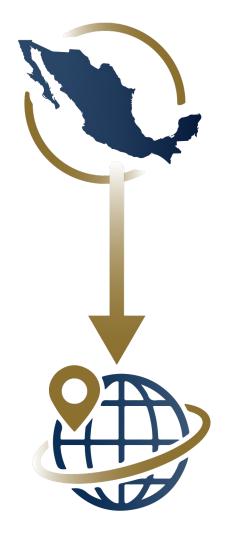
Benefits of the A.I. Shelter Program





Quick Start-up / Lower Cost / Administrative functions covered / savings

- 0 ongoing advisory in HR, Customs, Fiscal, etc.
- Speed up the Start-up (2-3 months) / Lower the learning curve \odot
- Shelter Fee lower than Stand Alone \odot
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- IT Platform is set (licenses & equipment) 0



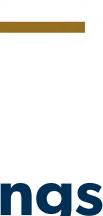
Less Risk / Minimal liabilities / Focus on core business

- Trouble-free access to operating in Mexico
- Full compliance with Mexican laws and regulations
- Minimum supervision from HQ Ο
- Focus on productivity, quality, customer, on time delivery 0
- Option to operate under the Not-Incorporated framework



Immediate access to an experienced A.I. Team / established processes / Certifications /

Indirect / Local Purchasing with no VAT (16%). Maximize savings. Economies of scale No extra or hidden fees nor Mark-ups like: Entry / Exit / Recruitment / Purchasing



Start a successful story in Mexico with us today.



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Thank you!





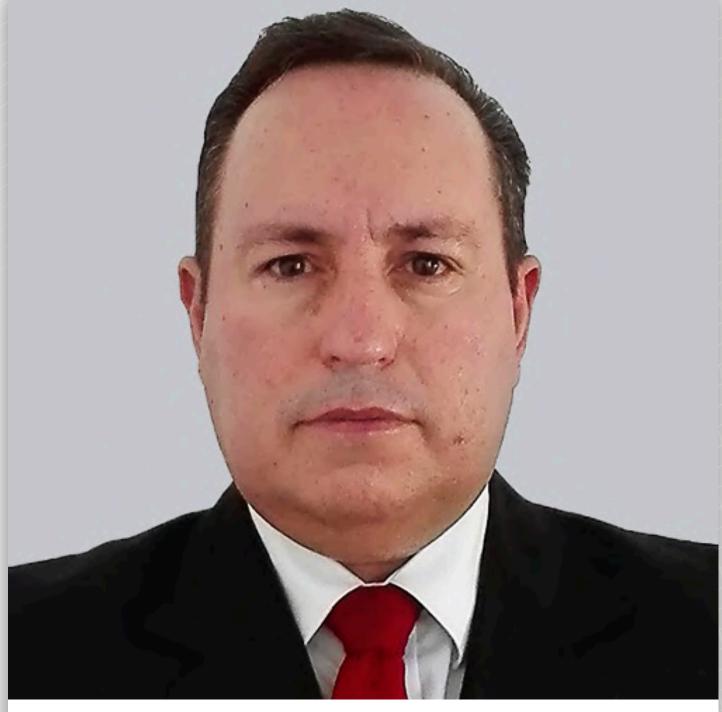
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