

THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL RIGHT TO KNOW IN MEXICO

**Gran Salón del Club de Banqueros
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DRAFT AGENDA

08:30 - 09:00 **Participants Register**

09:00 - 10:00 **Opening Message**

Moderator: Gabriel Sánchez Díaz, President of Alternativa Ciudadana 21

- ¿What is the Pollutant Releases and Transfers Register and how does it work? Raúl Arriaga, Subsecretary of Management for the Environmental Protection from the Ministry of the Environment and Natural Resources
- The benefits of having comparable data of pollutant releases and transfers in North America. Janine Ferretti, Executive Director of the CEC
- The modifications to the 109 Bis Article of the General Law for Ecological Equilibrium and Environmental Protection approved by the Congress and its implications for democratic development in Mexico. Librado Treviño Gutiérrez, Deputy, Member of the Environment and Natural Resources Commission of the Federal Congress
- Advantages and challenges from the private sector before the public PRTR in Mexico. Gabriel Quadri, General Director of the Center of Private Studies for Sustainable Development
- The importance of the environmental right to know for society. Martha Delgado, President of Presencia Ciudadana Mexicana, A.C. (Mexican Citizens Presence)

10:00 - 10:10 **Break**

10:10 - 11:10 **Presentations**

Moderator: Hernando Guerrero, Director of the Liaison Office of the CEC in Mexico

- The experience of the industry in the United States before the public and mandatory PRTR. Jon Plaut, Joint Public Advisory Committee (JPAC) Chair of the CEC
- Concerns of the Mexican private sector before the public and mandatory PRTR. Raúl Tornel, President of the Commission of Ecology, Health and Security from the CONCAMIN
- An experience of complementary work between society and industry. Maite Cortéz, Colectivo Ecologista Jalisco, A.C. (Ecologist Collective from Jalisco)
- The experience of the Canadian industry before the public and mandatory PRTR. Bruce Caswell, Canadian Chemical Producers Association

11:10 - 12:00 **Open discussion with the audience**

12:00 - 12:15 **Break**

12:15 - 13:30 **Presentations**

Moderator: Martha Delgado, President of Presencia Ciudadana Mexicana, A.C.

- The experience of PEMEX (Mexican Petroleum) making its PRTR public. José Manuel Olivares Páez, Manager of Environmental Protection and Industrial Security from PEMEX
- Difficulties facing the industry in the integration of information for the PRTR. Alejandro Lorea, Director of Environment, Security and Health from the National Association from the Chemical Industry
- The benefits of the public PRTR for society. Donna Chiarelli, Project Manager, Pollution Probe, Canada
- The mechanisms to integrate the PRTR information and make it public in Mexico. Jorge Bolaños Cacho, General Director of Pollutant Prevention. Subsecretary of Environmental Protection Management, SEMARNAT
- The need of regulation and legal framework for the PRTR. Gustavo Carvajal, Solórzano, Carvajal y Pérez Correa, S.C.

13:30 - 14:30 **Open discussion with the audience**

14:30 - 15:30 **Lunch Time**

15:30 - 16:30 **Presentations**

Moderator: Gabriel Quadri, General Director of the CESPEDES

- The relationship between industry and community before the public information from the PRTR in the United States. Thomas Natan, National Environmental Trust, United States
- The actions implemented by the CIANTRA before the public and mandatory PRTR. Fernando Gutiérrez Moreno, Director of the Institute for the Environmental Protection, Nuevo León
- The importance of the PRTR for industry. Miguel Ángel Valenzuela, Corporative Manager of Environmental Control, Health and Security. GIRSA Group
- CEC activities to strengthen and enhance comparability of PRTRs in North America. Erica Phipps, Program Manager, PRTR Project of the CEC

16:30 - 17:30 **Open discussion with the audience**

17:30 - 18:00 **Closure Message**

Inspection and monitoring for the fulfillment of the PRTR. José Ignacio Campillo, Federal Attorney for Environmental Protection