

MEXICO PROGRAM

Overview

The [Mexico Program](#) at the Inter-American Dialogue strengthens understanding, communication, and cooperation between Mexico and the United States through its unique position as a trusted and independent platform for research, perspectives, and public discussion around critical issues in the bilateral relationship. The program's core objective is to be the go-to resource and platform for government and industry leaders seeking to strengthen diplomacy and shape public policy in Washington, D.C. and Mexico City. By convening leaders across sectors, the program bridges perspectives and drives actionable solutions for a more prosperous, secure, and resilient bilateral relationship.

Strategic Pillars

1. U.S.-Mexico Relations and Diplomacy

Advance the bilateral relationship through insights on the political, policy, and regulatory landscape; provide platforms to build critical cross-border and domestic relationships; and inform how geopolitics, soft power, commercial diplomacy, and public policies can strengthen U.S.-Mexico relations.

2. Security and Border Affairs

- **Citizen Security:** Support U.S.-Mexico security cooperation through dialogue, insights, and in-depth analysis of critical issues such as public safety, gender-based violence, illicit drug and arms trafficking, organized crime, the rule of law, human rights protection, and the promotion of democratic governance.
- **Border Security and Migration:** Address shared challenges along the U.S.-Mexico border, including irregular migration, border security, cross-border trade, critical infrastructure, and illicit activities. Highlight the economic, cultural, and social opportunities stemming from North America's deep interconnectedness.
- **Economic Security:** Develop policies and insights to protect the

national and economic security interests of the United States, Mexico, and North America.

3. Industry, Trade, and Economic Competitiveness

Strengthen U.S.-Mexico trade relations by monitoring the implementation of the USMCA and its review process.

- Promote regional and domestic trade and industrial policies that support jobs and investment, technology leadership and innovation, and the region's long-term competitiveness.
- Analyze and inform on China's increasing presence in Mexico and the region.
- Shape policies and platforms to promote a more resilient, prosperous, and secure North America.
- Highlight the importance of strengthening North America's global competitiveness as a leading economic powerhouse.

4. Energy and Natural Resources

Promote binational and domestic strategies and policies to enhance energy security, resilience, and sustainable development.

- Secure reliable energy supplies for the region—linked to manufacturing and North America's global competitiveness.
- Tap into all energy sources, technologies, and strategic minerals to ensure North America's energy security.

5. Innovation and Emerging Technologies

Inform and shape policies on emerging technologies and artificial intelligence (AI) and their potential to advance public health, economic development, and competitiveness. AI's success will rely on sufficient energy supplies in the region to reach its full potential.

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