



## The Embassy

### The Municipal President of Querétaro, Marcos Aguilar, visits Vienna

The Municipal President of Querétaro, Marcos Aguilar, and his Minister of Mobility, Mauricio Cobo, visited Vienna from October 4 to 6 in the framework of a travel supported by the Ambassador of Austria in Mexico, Eva Hager, who



extended the invitation to the Mayor, and in coordination with the City of Vienna and the Embassy of Mexico in Austria. The objective was to learn about the Vienna mobility system, in particular, the network of cycle paths and the bike sharing model, including combined areas of the compact city model, with a view to their possible implementation in Queretaro.

With this objective, they

visited the residential area “Kabelwerk” and the urban development project “Aspern Lakeside”. The Municipal President and his Minister of Mobility also held a meeting on transport policy and data management with experts Manuel Pröll, Urban Development of the Municipality of Vienna, and Martin Schipany, Traffic Management of the Municipality of Vienna. The visit in Vienna also included a meeting with Maria Vassilakou, Deputy Mayor of Vienna and Executive Counselor for Urban Planning, Traffic and Transportation,

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Environmental Protection, Energy and Public Participation, as well as a working lunch hosted by Ambassador Buenrostro Massieu at the residence of Mexico, which was attended, among others, by Karheinz Kopf, Second President of the National Council of Austria; Hans Peter Huber, manager of Austrian schools abroad at the Federal Ministry of Education; Fritz Neugebauer, President of the Union of Public Officers of Austria; Karin Zimmer, Director of International Affairs of the Federal Chancellery; Dr. Robert Zischg, Director of the Department of North, Central and South America, the Caribbean and OAS at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Austria; and the Ambassador of Austria in Mexico, Eva Hager.

The Municipal President of Querétaro thanked Ambassador Hager and the Embassy of Mexico for their support. He said that his working visit would be useful to replicate some of the mobility policies, and expressed his intention to amplify good

practices and promote cooperation projects.



## Visit of the Attorney General Deputy of PRODECON in Vienna



The Attorney General Deputy of the Attorney General's Office of Taxpayer Defence (PRODECON), Edson Uribe, and the Director General for Institutional Relations of that institution, Germán Saldivar, visited Vienna from October 3 to 10 to participate in the conference "*Improving MAP and Mandatory Dispute Settlement*". The event was organized by the Global Tax Policy Center of the University of Economics and Business of Vienna, which will prepare the proposals of the Subcommittee on Dispute Resolution of the UN Committee on International Cooperation in Tax Matters, to be held in Vienna next March. The seminar also prepared the proposals of the UN Subcommittee of Tax Experts for the annual meeting of the Committee in Geneva.

The Attorney General Deputy also held meetings with officials and tax experts in Vienna, including a meeting with Dr. Erika Reinweber from the Ministry of Finance of Austria, responsible for matters related to tax evasion, with whom he exchanged different perspectives on the tax Ombudsman's work and the achievements

derived from the Mexican experience.

## Meeting with Director General of OFID, Suleiman Jasir Al-Herbish

Ambassador Alicia Buenrostro Massieu met with the Director General of the OPEC Fund for International Development (OFID), Suleiman Jasir Al-Herbish, on October 7<sup>th</sup>, to discuss possible areas of cooperation between Mexico and that organization.

She also congratulated him on the occasion of the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the existence of OFID. More about OFID: <http://www.ofid.org/>



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## Mexican Cultural Institute (ICM)



The complete cultural programme in October and November is available [here >>>](#)

### Reminder: Exhibitions of the Mexican photographer Flor Garduño in Vienna and Bratislava

- Inauguration of the exhibition *“Mujeres Fantásticas”* at the ICM (Türkenstrasse 15, 1090 Vienna): Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, at 19:00p.m.
- Inauguration of the exhibition *“Witnesses of Time”* at the Central European House of Photography (Prepostská 4, 814 99 Bratislava): Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, at 18:00p.m.

### We invite you to the film festival *¡El Cine! Zeitgenössische Filme aus Spanien und Mexiko!*

#### Blickle Cinema of 21er Haus, Arsenal 1, 1030 Vienna

Six movies. Limited tickets. Free entry after reservation on the Blickle Cinema Website [here >>>](#)

- Inauguration with the movie *“Abel”* (MX 2010) by Diego Luna, Spanish with English subtitles: Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, at 16:00p.m. [Trailer >>>](#)
- *“La Isla Mínima”* (Spain): Wednesday November 9<sup>th</sup>, at 18:30p.m.
- *“Sacromonte - Los Sabios de la Tribu & flamenco - coloquio”* (Spain): Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, at 15:00p.m.
- *“Chronic”* (MX 2015) by Michel Franco, with Tim Roth, in English: Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, at 16:00p.m. [Trailer >>>](#)
- *“Llévate mis Amores” / “All of Me”* (MX 2004) by Arturo González Villaseñor, in Spanish with English subtitles. With the presence of the director: Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 18:30p.m. [Trailer >>>](#)
- Closing with the movie *“Cha Cha Cha”* (Spain): Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, at 15:00p.m.

## The National Symphonic Orchestra of Mexico with conductor Carlos Miguel Prieto on European Tour with concerts in Salzburg, Ljubljana and Vienna.

The National Symphonic Orchestra of Mexico under conductor Carlos Miguel Prieto will come to Europe. In the framework of the European Tour, they will give the following concerts in Austria and Slovenia:

- Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>, and Friday 11<sup>th</sup> of November at the **Großes Festspielhaus Salzburg**
- Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> of November at *Cankarjev Dom Cultural*, Ljubljana, Slovenia
- Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> of November at the *Musikverein* Vienna

More information about the programme and tickets [here >>>](#)

## Mexican author Juan Pablo Villalobos visits Vienna and Linz for the presentation of his latest book “Te vendo un perro” / “Ich verkauf dir einen Hund”

- November 15<sup>th</sup> at 19:00p.m.: bookstore **Tiempo Nuevo**, Taborstraße 17A, 1020 Vienna
- November 16<sup>th</sup> at 19:00p.m.: **Stadtbibliothek VHS Wissensturm**, Kärntnerstraße 26, 4020 Linz

## Mexican writer Cristina Rascón Castro visits Austria

- Presentation of the electronic book "**Cuentríficos Deluxe**": bilingual Reading in Spanish and German with translator Eva Srna. Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, at 19:00p.m. at the ICM.
- Literary workshop "**El cuento y su ecuación narrativa**" (4 sessions, each 2 hours of duration). Tuesday/Thursday beginning on November 8<sup>th</sup>, at the ICM. For Spanish speaking adults and adolescents.
- Presentation of No. 148/2016 of the literature magazine "**LICHTUNGEN** Zeitschrift für Literatur, Kunst und Zeitkritik", with a chapter dedicated to the literature of Northern Mexico. Wednesday November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 20:00p.m. at the cultural center "**Kulturzentrum Minoriten Graz**" (Mariahilferplatz 3/I, 8020 Graz)
- Bilingual reading of "**Familia Americana / Amerikanische Familie**". Thursday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, at 19:00p.m. at the Central Library of Vienna (1070 Vienna, Urban-Loritz-Platz 2a).
- Presentation of "**Skribalia: Escuela Global de Escritores en línea**" - first Mexican school of creative writers completely Online ([www.skribalia.com](http://www.skribalia.com)). Monday November 14<sup>th</sup> at the Instituto Cervantes Vienna (Schwarzenbergplatz 2, 1010 Vienna)

## Announcement: Gastronomic Days with Chef Juan Miguel Prada in the framework of the festival “VEN A COMER”



In the framework of the initiative “VEN A COMER” ([www.venacomer.com.mx](http://www.venacomer.com.mx)), the Mexican Chef Juan Miguel Prada will participate in the Gastronomic Days at the Restaurant Le Ciel - Grand Hotel Vienna (Kärntner Ring 9, 1010 Vienna) from November 22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>, at lunchtime and dinnertime. He will also participate in the gastronomic festival on the occasion of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of UNIDO on Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup>. We will inform you about the details of these culinary events in the next edition of our newsletter.

## Permanent Mission

### Mexico leads efforts against illicit trafficking in firearms

The **Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized**



**Crime** adopted on October 21<sup>st</sup> a draft resolution submitted by Mexico, along with Costa Rica and Guatemala, about "*Strengthening the implementation of the Protocol against the Manufacturing and Illicit Trafficking in Firearms, their Parts and Components and Ammunition*". The final version of the text was co-patroned by Argentina, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, El Salvador, Norway, Peru and Member States of the European Union.

The initiative highlights the links between the implementation of the Firearms Protocol of the Palermo Convention and the fulfillment of the objectives of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, in particular, its Goal 16.4, which seeks to significantly reduce the flow of illicit weapons. The project also recognizes the complementarity between the Protocol and other international frameworks, such as the Arms Trade Treaty (ATT) or the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects, among others. The authors of the text underline the importance of addressing the structural causes of organized crime, and in particular, the smuggling of weapons, including socio-economic factors and the gender dimension. The resolution also recognizes the space offered by the Working Group on Firearms, a subsidiary of the Conference, as a privileged space for the exchange of experiences between experts on relevant issues, for example, in the fields of marking and tracing.

### MIKTA promotes gender equality in the combat against organized crime

The Permanent Representatives of Mexico, Indonesia, the Republic of Korea, Turkey and Australia participated on October 20<sup>th</sup> in a joint event to highlight the importance of incorporating gender equality in the international community's efforts to address transnational organized crime in all its forms. This event took place in the framework of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime.



In her speech, Ambassador Alicia Buenrostro Massieu pointed out that

this is the first initiative of MIKTA within the international organizations based in Vienna. She noted that MIKTA is a multicultural and intra-regional association of countries that share fundamental values and are committed to active participation in multilateral fora. Therefore, the common interest in promoting gender equality offered a perfect opportunity in this context.

During the event, Mexico promoted its experience in implementing an approach to crime prevention by addressing socio-economic factors, which considers the specific needs of women and girls as well as gender vulnerabilities that can contribute to discourage from getting involved in criminal activities. She highlighted the valuable work of the National Institute of Statistics and Geography of Mexico (INEGI, acronym in Spanish) in the field of gender statistics and the work of the Interministerial Committee Against Trafficking in Persons, in compliance with the obligations of the corresponding UN Protocol.

### **México participated in the 17<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Representatives of the Regional Cooperation Agreement for the Promotion of Nuclear Science and Technology in Latin America and the Caribbean**



The Seventeenth Meeting of the Board of Representatives of the Regional Cooperation Agreement for the Promotion of Nuclear Science and Technology in Latin America and the Caribbean (ARCAL) was held on September 27, 2016, in Vienna, Austria, as part of the 60<sup>th</sup> General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA). This

meeting was attended by representatives of 20 countries of the region, and provided an excellent opportunity for ARCAL members to review the activities that have been carried out by its different bodies this year, adopt the relevant reports and define strategies for next year.

More information on the 17<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Representatives [here >>>](#)

ARCAL is a mechanism for promoting the safe and peaceful use of nuclear energy and technologies among the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean through technical cooperation schemes and using the different capacities of the countries of the region, with the assistance of the IAEA, in areas such as improving agriculture and food, pest control and strengthening public health systems. Mexico currently owns the vice-presidency of ARCAL and will assume the presidency in 2017. ARCAL's functions are subdivided into the Technical Cooperation Authority (OCTA), covered in Mexico by the National Institute for Nuclear Research (ININ, Webpage: [www.inin.gob.mx](http://www.inin.gob.mx)) and the Board of Representatives, whose responsibility corresponds, in the case of Mexico, to the Permanent Mission of Mexico in Vienna.

## Consular Section

### How to obtain a Criminal Records Certificate?

The Consular Section of the Embassy is not authorized to issue criminal records certificates or certifications. In matters of federal jurisdiction, the Ministry of the Interior, through the National Security Commission, issues those certificates and, in matters of regional jurisdiction, the Offices of the State Prosecutor for each State of the Mexican Republic.

### Registry Data Certificates of the PGR

Since February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012, the Attorney General's Office (PGR), aided by all State branches across the Mexican Republic, issues Registry Data Certificates, which consist of information on the existence or nonexistence of data derived from preliminary investigations, both federal and regional laws. If the registry information of an applicant does not contain information on a court decision sentencing a penalty or a security measure, which has been executed, it is considered that there is no criminal record.

The PGR only issues the Registry Data Certificates at the request of some authorities of the federal government, including embassies and consulates. Therefore, when a Mexican citizen abroad requires proof of the lack of criminal records, the Consular Section of the Embassy provides the applicant with official correspondence addressed to the PGR, requesting the issuing of a Registry Data Certificate. This correspondence must include documents of the applicant as attachments, such as fingerprints, copy of passport, copy of birth certificate and copy of the proof of residence abroad.

The proceedings before the PGR can be performed by a friend or a relative of the applicant by means of a simple [carta poder](#) (proxy letter), signed by the grantor before two witnesses, which authorizes a third party to perform the procedure. The letter must include attached a copy of an official ID of the two witnesses. The person who will perform the procedure shall submit to the PGR his/her own official ID (with photograph).

For further information, please consult the following Website:  
<http://www.pgr.gob.mx/datosregistrales/Paginas/default.aspx>

For the Consular Section to provide the official correspondence addressed to the PGR, it is necessary that the applicant appears at an appointment scheduled with the office of the Consular Section, where his/her fingerprints will be collected, and present his/her valid Mexican passport, birth certificate and the proof of residence abroad. The appointment can be requested by email [consulmexaustria@sre.gob.mx](mailto:consulmexaustria@sre.gob.mx) within the public opening hours (Monday to Friday from 09:00a.m. to 12:45p.m.). The proceedings at the Consular Section of the Embassy are **free of charge**.



## Economy

### Mexico's results in the Global Competitiveness Report 2016-2017 of the World Economic Forum



The World Economic Forum (WEF) has released the Global Competitiveness Report 2016-2017, which evaluates the performance of 138 economies by means of their productivity and generated prosperity. The Global Competitiveness Report (GCR) is based on the analysis of 114 variables grouped into 12 pillars:

1) Institutions; 2) Infrastructure; 3) Macroeconomic stability; 4) Health and basic education; 5) Higher education and training; 6) Efficiency in the merchandise market; 7) Efficiency in the labour market; 8) Financial market sophistication; 9) Technological preparedness; 10) Market size; 11) Business sophistication; and, 12) Innovation.

Since 2004, the RCG, one of the most important publications of the WEF, evaluates the performance of economies through business opinion surveys and different national and international sources. In the 2016-2017 edition, countries at the head of the overall rating were Switzerland, followed by Singapore, United States, Netherlands and Germany. Mexico moved up six places from rank 57 to rank 51, thus obtaining the best score in the last decade. The points scored by Mexico reflect the opinions expressed by 14,723 private sector CEOs from 141 nations in the Business Opinion Survey, carried out by the WEF between February and June 2016. With 304 answered surveys, Mexico remains the third country with the highest participation in the survey, surpassed only by the United States and China. The improvement in the country's rating was mainly driven by the rise in the market's efficiency. The internal and external competition in the merchandise market increased significantly due to the progress of reforms in the fields of competition and trade policy (moved up 12 places to rank 70).

Read the full Report [here >>>](#)

More economic news published by the Mexican Ministry of Economics: [here >>>](#)

## Tourism

### San Andrés Míxquic and its Day of the Dead



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31<sup>st</sup>, they set the table for the “Altar of the Dead” with a tablecloth, black or white candelabra and candles. On November 1<sup>st</sup>, the bells toll at 12:00 o'clock, announcing the arrival of the souls of children and adults.

On November 2<sup>nd</sup>, the famous “**Alumbrada**” (Lighting) takes place at the cemetery, a homage to the dead who left a memory in this world. At 19:00p.m., people start gathering at the graves decorated with flowers and lighting candles. The cemetery brightens up with the candles’ light to show the dead their way. In the centre of the cemetery is **the Temple of San Andrés**, whose altar retable and roof are worth a visit. Finally, on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, the neighbors go from house to house and exchange fruit, bread and food, concluding the festivities of the “Day of the Dead”.

San Andrés Míxquic, which means “place of the guard of water” is one of the seven ancient villages of the Tláhuac district in Mexico City. Míxquic is part of the zone declared as one of the UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Every year, during the festivities on the occasion of the “Day of the Dead”, Míxquic receives thousands of Mexican and foreign tourists.

On October 31<sup>st</sup>, the festivities begin in this village with its many customs and colors. There are theatre performances, music, exhibitions, dance, different types of food and showing of offerings. Also on October



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## ¡Viva Mexico!

### The “Altar of the Dead” tradition: origin and meaning in Mexico



Death is an omnipresent figure in Mexican art with a wide representative variety from goddess, protagonist of stories and legends, critical character of society, to smiling guest at our table. In Mexico, indigenous cultures conceived death as a dialectical unity: the life-death binomial, due to which death coexisted in all manifestations of their culture. It is an arduous task to understand death and its meaning, a work covering countless moments of reflection, rituals and ceremonies of different kinds, which has erected the maximum plastic symbol representing this festivity: **The Altar of the Dead**. This representation is perhaps the most important tradition of Mexican popular culture and one of the best known internationally; it is even considered an **Intangible Cultural Heritage protected by UNESCO**.

The Embassy of Mexico thanks **Marta Martinez, Delicia Fajardo and Rocio Hernandez** for preparing the Altar of the Dead, which this year is **dedicated to the architect Teodoro Gonzalez de Leon and to the writer Nacho Padilla**. We invite you to visit the Embassy of Mexico (Rennngasse 5, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, 1010 Vienna) between 9:00a.m.-12:30p.m. and 15:00-17:30p.m., from Tuesday, October 25<sup>th</sup> until Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016 (with exception of Wednesday, October 26<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>).



## News from Mexico

### President Peña Nieto meets the Prime Minister of Finland, Juha Sipilä



On October 12<sup>th</sup>, President Peña Nieto received the Prime Minister of Finland, Juha Sipilä. They congratulated themselves on the occasion of the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Friendship, which established diplomatic relations between the two countries. The Mexican President underscored the readiness of his government to continue working with Finland to increase economic exchange and strengthen educational, scientific and training cooperation in the UN Peacekeeping Operations. Prime Minister Sipilä reiterated the invitation for President Peña Nieto to visit Finland and stressed his government's interest in seizing cooperation opportunities arising from the structural

reforms, primarily in the telecommunications sector. Finland is the world's 27<sup>th</sup> largest investor in Mexico and the 12<sup>th</sup> in the countries of the European Union.

[Read full article in English >>>](#)

### Together for equality: October 19<sup>th</sup>, National Day Against Discrimination

October 19<sup>th</sup> was the National Day Against Discrimination, which commemorates the abolition of slavery in Mexico, enacted by Don Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla in 1810. The responsibility for achieving a society that guarantees equal rights for all people concerns us all.



Therefore, the **National Council to Prevent Discrimination (CONAPRED)** invited the staff of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to join in this commemoration and give visibility to the different actions undertaken to prevent and eliminate discrimination in Mexico in social networks with the **hashtag #PréndeteVsLaDiscriminación**. The Embassy of Mexico in Austria joined this action to express its support for the fight against discrimination.

## The Mexican government congratulates António Guterres on the occasion of his appointment as the next UNO Secretary General



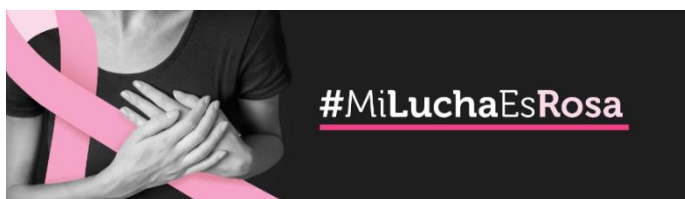
The Mexican government congratulates António Guterres on his appointment as the next Secretary General for the period 2017-2021 by decision of the 193 member states of the General Assembly of the United Nations Organization (UNO) on October 6<sup>th</sup>.

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The Mexican government reiterates its support and willingness to working closely with Mr. António Guterres and the Organization he will preside over as from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017. The Portuguese politician Guterres has a vast experience and international prestige. From 2005 to 2015, he was the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. From 1995 to 2002, he was Prime Minister of Portugal.

[Read full text \(in Spanish\) here >>>](#)

## Mexico forms the largest Human Pink Ribbon in History against breast cancer



The entire month of October, the **Mexican Social Security Institute (IMSS)**, acronym in Spanish) promotes a comprehensive strategy to raise awareness about breast cancer, including prevention activities, promotion and diagnostics. On October 1<sup>st</sup>, a total of 11,224 people formed the largest Human Pink Ribbon in History at the Campo Marte, headed by the Director General of the IMSS, Mikel Arriola. The call was attended by staff of the Ministry of National Defense, the Ministry of the Navy, ISSSTE, the Ministry of Health and Pemex, as well as thousands of volunteers who joined as spokesmen for the fight.

This action is part of **the institutional strategy "Mi Lucha es Rosa"** to send a message to society about prevention and awareness, because only by joining efforts it will be possible to achieve a reduction of mortality from breast cancer in Mexico. Mikel Arriola stressed that the IMSS had increased the number of mammograms from about one million in 2012 to one million 300,000 so far this year. He also highlighted that mortality from this disease had declined in 18.6% within his institution. He announced that the first quarter of next year, the IMSS will present a new prevention model "Family Medicine Units" to ensure that all women between 40 and 60 years assigned to their unit have a mammogram done.

[Read full text \(in Spanish\) here >>>](#)

## Furthering actions to strengthen Mexico's viticulture



The Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock, Rural Development, Fisheries and Food (SAGARPA, acronym in Spanish) will promote increased production, consumption and quality of Mexican wines to strengthen the national viticulture sector, which currently registers a growth rate of 12%. Currently, the area devoted to winegrowing sums up approximately 6,000 hectares, which produces more than 25 million bottles of wine per year. Baja California is one of the largest wine producers in Mexico.

Productive and technological measures will be focused to increase the area and yield of the vineyards and to maintain wine quality. In addition, the Mexican Senate is currently preparing an initiative to reduce the tax burden on this sector, which will generate a larger participation of Mexican wine in the domestic market and create new jobs in the sector.

[Read more \(in Spanish\)>>>](#)

## Calls for Participation

### 2<sup>nd</sup> International Talent Forum “Innovation Match MX 2016-2017”

**INNOVATION MATCH MX 2016-2017**  
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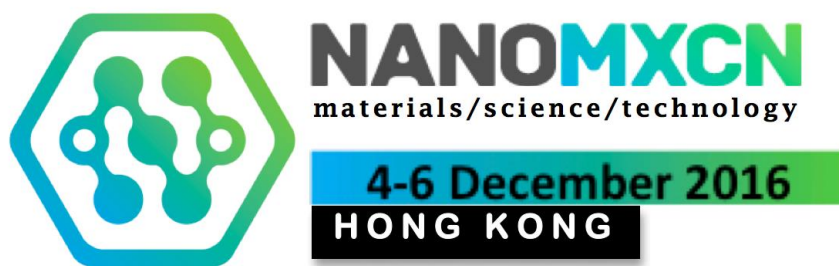
The Innovation MX Match Association is a civil association, founded in 2015 to promote networking between enterprises, researchers and students to create business opportunities as a changing agent in the scientific and technological divulgation and development in Mexico. One of the main objectives of IMM is that researchers and post-graduate students from around the world can present their research in scientific, technological and creative industries areas with the purposes of networking with Mexican enterprises interested in promoting new business opportunities in the national productive sector. IMM invites the national and international scientific community of public and private universities, research centers, business sector, different government levels, non-governmental organizations and civilians to participate in this event.

Participants must register their projects before October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2016. The fields of interest are:

- Biotechnology
- Health sciences
- Engineering and manufacturing (electronics, robotics, mechatronics, automobile, aerospace)
- Chemical industry (oil, gas, mining)
- Creative industries
- Nanotechnology and advances materials
- Food technology (agriculture, livestock and fishery)
- Renewable energies (natural resources, environment and sustainability)

[More information on Innovation Match MX here >>>](#)

## NANOMXCN-2016: “Mexico-China Workshop on Renewable Energy and Environment Remediation”



The Ministry of Foreign Affairs (SRE), through the Institute of Mexicans Abroad, in connection with the Hong Kong chapter of the Global Network MX, has decided to support the *Workshop*

*Mexico-China NANOMXCN*, to be held from December 4 to 6, 2016, in Hong Kong and from December 7 to 11 in Shanghai, Beijing and Xi'an.

This event aims to promote scientific and technological collaboration between Mexico, Hong Kong and China in nanomaterials, nanoscience and nanotechnology within the theme of Renewable Energy and Environmental Remediation. With the purpose to encourage the participation of the Mexican scientific community in this type of meetings, the Institute of Mexicans Abroad and the Hong Kong chapter of the Global Network MX have prepared a call to support **three Mexican participants** to travel from Europe or Asia to attend the meeting. These participants will be granted, via reimbursement, a maximum of 1,500 euros to cover the costs of event registration and partly their travel expenses.

More information on this event and registration: [www.nanomxcn.com](http://www.nanomxcn.com)

## Literature Recommendation

### “La Festividad Indígena dedicada a los Muertos en México” (book in Spanish)



- ◆ *Así nació el Día de Muertos*
- ◆ *Turismo: ¿letal para esta tradición?*
- ◆ *Rituales y leyendas sobre este festejo*
- ◆ *De norte a sur:  
Así se celebra el Día de Muertos*

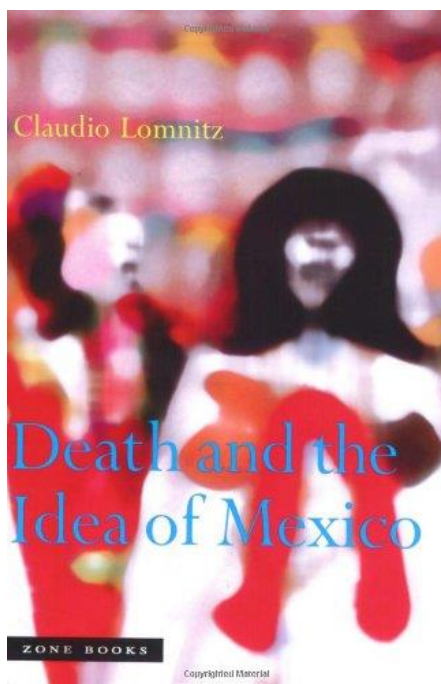
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All cultures develop a vision about death that determines their own life and thought. The way in which the different regions of Mexico celebrate the reunion with their dead forms a cultural heritage, which makes the "Day of the Dead" a unique celebration that identifies Mexicans. In this **book published by the National Coordination of Cultural Heritage and Tourism (CONACULTA, 2006)**, several academics and researchers gather a large mosaic on the origins of this tradition, rituals, traditions, legends and festivities on that day. This book takes us to the magical world of the ceremonial of the Tarahumaras, stories and rituals of the Chontales of Tabasco, and the Pames of Querétaro, the burials in northeastern Mexico, the veneration of relics, the Catholic rites that merged to consolidate the current festivity, the Night of the Dead in Michoacán and

in Coyoacan in Mexico City, among others.

[Read full book \(in Spanish\) here>>>](#)

### Claudio Lomnitz-Adler: “Death and the Idea of Mexico”, book in Spanish and English



Review: Georgina Bruno

In his work, the American historian, anthropologist and writer, Claudio Lomnitz, approaches Mexican History from the Conquest to the twenty-first century, relating the ideas of death with the formation of national identity. Thus, the author underlines the importance of the living and the dead in Mexico and the different ideas about death that have emerged over the years. The historical tour addresses social, political and cultural topics, repassing the Spanish domination of the native peoples of Mexico, their integration into the New State, the Mexican Revolution and the country's present, where death became more than a popular identity, the cult of drug dealers and other criminals, who consider the “Santa Muerte” as the best representation of sovereignty. [Read complete review \(in Spanish\) >>>](#)

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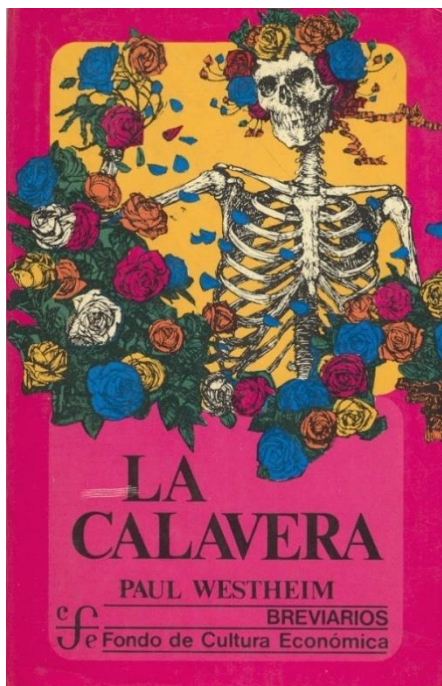
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## Paul Westheim: “Der Tod in Mexiko” (La calavera), book in German and Spanish



An accurate essay of the German scholar on the universal idea of death in general, and the concept of ancient Mexicans on death. The work includes detailed analysis of the myth of Tezcatlipoca, the idea of immortality among Mesoamerican indigenous peoples and the topic of death in the European secular painting.

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