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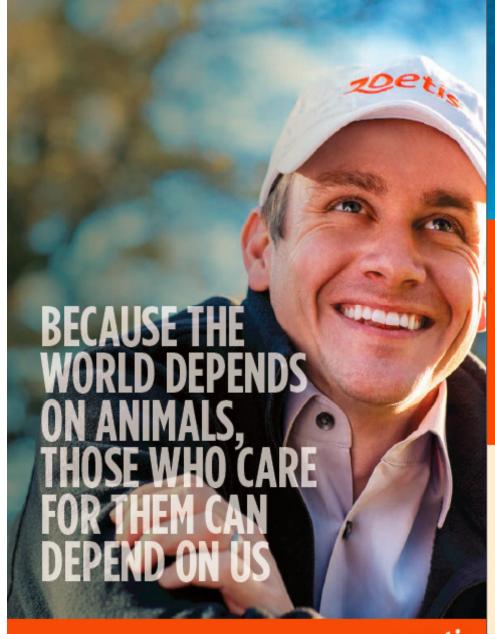
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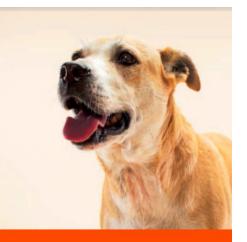
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#### CAPABILITIES

We Provide

**MEDICINES** VACCINES **GENETIC TESTS SERVICES** 

300+ 60+

Product Lines

Years of Experience

120+

Countries in Which Zoetis Products Are Sold

Species Supported by Zoetis

#### PERFORMANCE

Billion in Annual Revenue

#### COLLEAGUES

Approximately

10,000

Colleagues Worldwide

76%

24%



65%

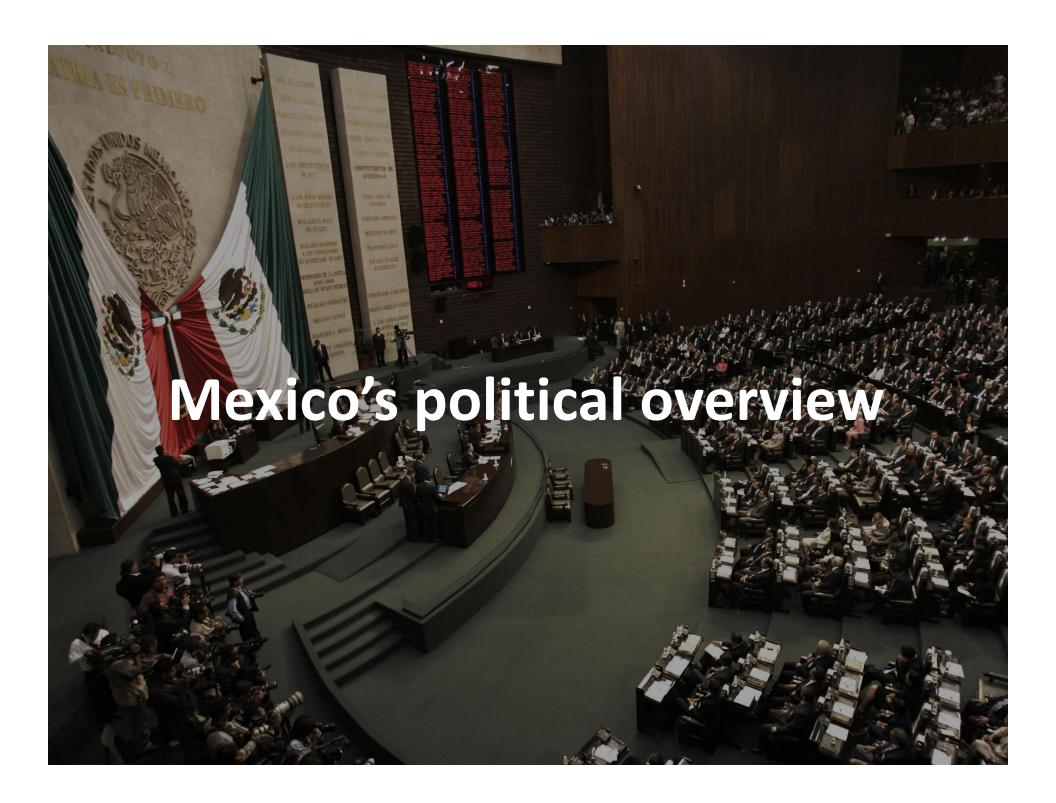
Revenue from Companion Animal Products

Chart exclusive Client Sport y Services, which represented approximately 18 of 2012 revenue.

# **Agenda**

- Mexico's political situation overview
- Public Affairs in Mexico
  - Challenges of practicing Public Affairs in Mexico
  - Opportunities for Public Affairs in Mexico
- Public Affairs Structures (one size doesn't fit all)
- Final remarks
- Q&A



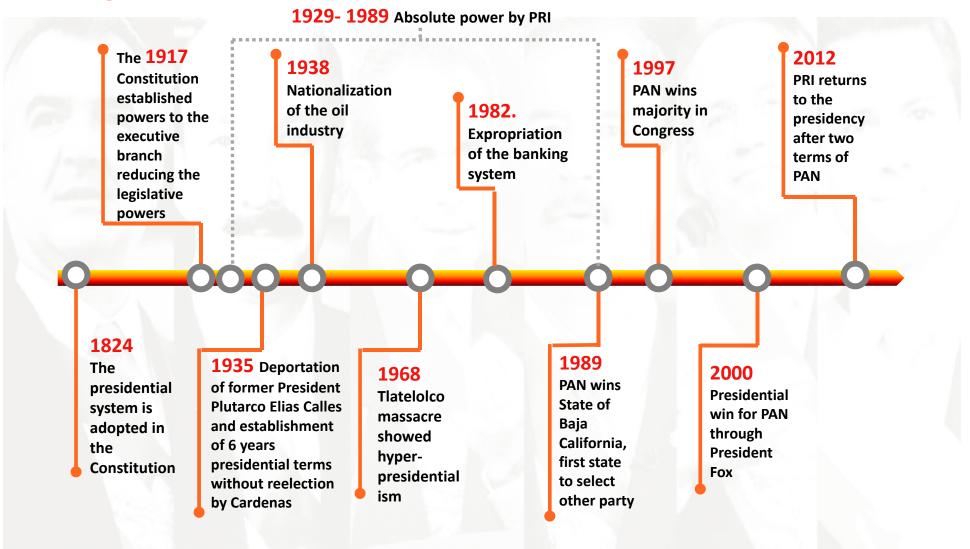


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### **Background**





# Public Affairs practice in Mexico Topics to cover



**Context US Lobbying** 



#### **Facts about Mexico**



258 lobbyist registered in the House of Representatives



Senate does not have a Lobbyist Registry



23 associates to the National Association of Professional Lobbyist (PROCAB)

Lobbying is regulated only in the legislative branch, by the internal Rules of each House The registry of lobbyist as well as the lobbying activities are controlled by the Board of each House

House of Representatives is regulated since **2011**  House of the Senate is regulated since **2010** 

### **Background**

### Changes in Congress 1997

#### Lack of majority

#### **Multi-party forum**

### Obstacles in the policy-making process

**2000-2006**. The Federal Public Administration was unable to move forward on a number of structural reforms (fiscal, labor and energy reforms)

**2001**: Fiscal policy reforms was not passed due to the lack of consensus

**2002-2004**: First initiative ballots relating to lobbying were submitted

### **Trigger Events**

In **2005** a congressman alleged that a Tabaco company offered bribes to eight legislator in return for their votes against the tax increase on cigarettes

In **2013**, during the debate of the Fiscal Reform, the media reported that the Soft Drink Industry offered gifts and bribes to legislators and the Agency



#### **Current rules**

#### **Rules of the House of Representatives**

- Defines Lobbying and Lobbyist
- Requires registration of lobbying firms and individuals(valid during a Legislature period)
- Bans participation of representatives and its close family
- Restricts number of lobbyist working per commission
- Prevents legislators to accept gifts or payments
- Documents regarding lobbying activity should be stored and published for public consultation. Requisites for lobbyist registration
- The Board can revoke lobbyist registration in case of providing false information to Legislators

#### **Rules of the House of the Senate**

- Defines Lobbying and Lobbyist
- Legislators report lobbying activity to the Senate Board
- Senators can't accepts gifts or payments from lobbyist. Sanctions apply



# **Federal Lobbying**

### **Draft Law for lobbying in Mexico**

#### SUBSTANTIVE LAW

- Subjects to the Law Requirements, obligations and prohibitions.
- Creation of an authority engaged with lobbying regulation
- Registration of lobbyists
- Types of lobbyists

#### ADJECTIVE LAW

- Duties and functions of the authority.
- Requirements and method for submission of documents and information.
- Registration rules, certification and documentation.
- Lobbyists' Code of conduct
- Lobbyists' Registrar System
- Offences and sanctions

# **Public Affairs Opportunities**

- Focus efforts on a centralized government (Federal/legislative)
- States are not a big player in policy development
- Company operations can be improved by creating a relationship with state/municipal government
- Companies can engage both individually and through an Association
- US-Mexico close relationship (Washington partnership, RCC)
- Government agencies open to develop a working relationship with companies (Ministry of Health, Agriculture, etc.)
- Industry Associations and business Associations have a significant impact on the policy development
- Media plays a critical role in the perception of the legislative agenda
- There is no majority in Congress allowing different points of view for policy development

































# **Public Affairs Challenges**

- Corruption at different levels of the government and its agencies
- Companies that offer benefits to government officials to support specific policies outside the law
- States are not a big player in policy development
- Divided Congress given the amount of parties
- Divisions within the parties in legislative policies, some internal groups do not recognize the agreements
- Grassroots efforts are not as effective, most policies are driven top to bottom
- Lobbying regulations are still not as developed as in other countries, creating grey areas
- Limited amount of lobbyist in parliamentary committees
- Executive has now a bigger role in the policy development through political negotiation
- Continuous and ever-changing alliances between parties













### **Product release times**

#### **Imports from Europe to Mexico**

**Issue:** Import delays and complications at

Mexico Airport customs

**Objective:** Reduce the release times and increase response from Customs agency

Relationship to develop: General Director of

Phytosanitary Inspection and SAGARPA's Airport

and Ports inspection Director



- A pilot test took place, the product release time was reduced by about 100 days, it took 20 days compared to the average 124 days for that same point of entry in 2014 (Mexico City Airport).
- This pilot test reduced by 80% the product release time in this particular
- Reduced the storage cost by 40%, due to extra time in customs in specialized storage
- Reduction of back orders
- Reduce problems related to the product's expiration date and minimize potential write-offs impact
- Overall since the interactions with the authorities the import times have been reduced by 40% across the different entry points.

# Improvac® Acceptance

### **Acceptance of Immunocastration technology**

Issue: Slaughterhouses did not accept the technology due to regulatory arguments

Objective: Seek official document from the Federal Government to validate use and introduce the technology to Ministry of Agriculture

Relationship to develop: Director of Establishment of Federal inspection Type (TIF) and others.



- Through meetings with different government officials from SENASICA, visibility of the product and technology was provided.
- The company participated in the annual TIF Slaughterhouses inspectors training from the SENASICA, so that the inspectors could better understand and get familiar with the technology
- An official document "Circular" was obtained by SENASICA as a communication to all TIF slaughterhouses to accept Improvac pigs
- In order to implement the strategy a pilot test took place in the top 10 slaughterhouses in Mexico, as result 7 of the 10 slaughterhouses now accept the Improvac pigs. Sales are estimated to increase by 25% and increase product penetration
- An education campaign with different stakeholders took place to boost demand in the value chain
  of the industry

### **Government Investment grants**

Issue: The company has never applied for government grants for investments in the country **Objective:** Seek government grants at Federal and State level while developing local community programs

**Relationship to develop:** Municipal, state, federal, PROMEXICO, Universities among others.



- The company established negotiations with different states and conversations with the Federal government
- The company received different offers from the states to be analyzed by the finance and manufacturing team
- The company received government grants that represented a significant percentage of the total invest related to a manufacturing site
- A program with the local university and the municipal authorities was established to build and hire local talent.
- A pilot program with another University to develop packaging materials was established
- A government grants programs was established internally for future investments

### **Shortage of Inputs**

#### **TIF slaughterhouses development**

Issue: importing meat as raw material instead of buying domestically, due to the limited amount of TIF slaughterhouses. Increasing manufacturing costs to produce Pet food

**Objective:** Partner with SAGARPA authorities at Federal and state level to increase the amount of TIF certified slaughterhouses



- After identifying the right government officials at federal and state level to share the issue; a pilot program was developed where Federal and State government, through different agencies, would invest resources to help slaughterhouses to become certified as TIF
- The company agreed to buy the production from this newly TIF certified slaughterhouses for a number of years
- This program was extended to other locations and costs of production was reduced as less raw materials were imported and overtime, it reduced the cost of production and helped the company position itself as partner with the government



### **Public Affairs Structures in Mexico**

Are you active in legislative policy? Are you focus on CRS? Do you have the internal expertise?

Do you have the buy in from the business? Do you have the budget?

Is there enough critical mass of work? How big is the impact of the issue(s)?

Do you already have a network? Do you belong to an industry association?

Is some one currently doing similar work? How relevant is Mexico for your business?

- Public Affairs structures vary across companies and industries but its important to adapt the structure to the environment and find the right external partners-

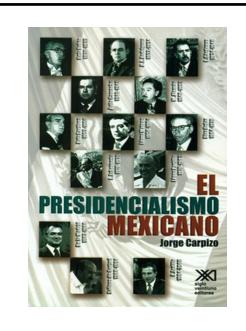


### **Final Remarks**

- Mexico's political one party centralized system has been dismantled but some components still remain
- Mexico is still many years behind in lobbying regulation compared to the US, but draft regulation is in the works
- The Public Affairs practice in Mexico is a growing area that still needs to establishing itself
- Legislative lobbying will become harder as more parties are created and more divisions within parties increase
- Compared to other key Latin America countries, Mexico present a great opportunity for Public Affairs practice
- For US companies in Mexico, leveraging the relationship between the two countries can be a valuable asset
- Corruption and rule of law will continue to hold back progress in Public Affairs
   Practice and public policy

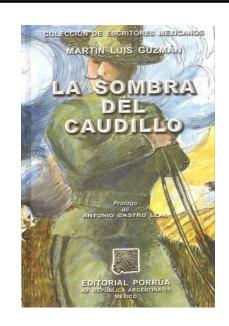


### **Recommended books**



# The Mexican Presidentialism

by Jorge Carpizo
Siglo Veintiuno
Editores Hardback



# The Shadow of the "Caudillo"

by Martín Luis Guzmán Editorial Castalia



# The Mexican Political System

by Daniel Cosio Villegas Editorial J. Mortiz, México

