

# LINKLATERS LAUNCHES ITS MEXICO GROUP

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**Linklaters will have a permanent presence in the country, reinforcing its capabilities in Latin America and appointing Spanish managing associate Alberto García Linera as head of this Mexico group**



Linklaters continues to strengthen its commitment to Latin America and announces the launch of a group dedicated to Mexico. This new group will allow the firm to provide better advice to its clients, fully tailored to their needs, by gaining access to a better knowledge of the market and strengthening existing relationships with the best local law firms.

The group will be led by managing associate Alberto García Linera (pictured), who will be based in Mexico City, and will be supported by lawyers from all the firm's offices, with special involvement of the offices in the United States (New York and Washington, D.C.) and Spain (Madrid).

Íñigo Berricano, Linklaters partner and co-sponsor of this initiative, commented: "The creation of the Mexico group demonstrates the importance of Mexico to our firm and our clients. Alberto's in-depth knowledge of the market and extensive network of contacts in the country make him a perfect fit to lead this new project. Latin America is one of the most important emerging regions in the world, and Mexico is expected to be one of the markets that will continue to grow despite the current economic climate, as it continues to attract investment from leading international investors".

Matthew Poulter, Linklaters partner and co-head of the firm's Latin America practice, added: "Our clients need practical experience in the jurisdiction in which they invest and a team that can handle their diverse needs in different areas. Having Alberto in Mexico will allow us to be better positioned to think globally and act locally through the right combination of local advice and our international capabilities."

As a senior lawyer, Alberto has almost ten years of experience having worked in the firm's Madrid and New York offices, where he was dedicated to advising on Transactions in the Latin American market, with a particular focus on Mexico.

Alberto has extensive experience in a variety of cross-border Corporate and Financial Transactions, with a particularly strong track record in advising financial institutions and listed companies on securities transactions - including debt and equity issuances as well as hybrid, convertible or exchangeable instruments and Regulatory Capital, having participated in securities offerings registered with the SEC and other regulators such as the CNMV and Rule 144A and Reg S offerings in different jurisdictions. He also has extensive experience in Bank Financing and Restructuring Transactions, Mergers and Acquisitions, and other Corporate matters, including Corporate Governance.

The creation of the Mexico group does not imply the opening of an office in Mexico or the practice of Mexican Law by the firm. Nor will it entail the creation of exclusive alliances with local law firms. However, having a permanent presence in the country will allow the firm to continue to provide excellent service to clients by combining Linklaters' global capabilities with the expertise and knowledge of local advisors.