

Addressing climate change comprehensively: present but not at the centre of presidential candidates' priorities

- Organisations from the [Resilient Mexico Coalition](#) note with concern the advance of the climate crisis in Mexico and the limited proposals from the presidential candidates to address it in a structural way, despite the fact that they received proposals from civil society such as the [Decarbonisation and Climate Resilience Plan](#), developed by the Coalition.
- The organisations analysed the candidate's proposals and identified that issues such as the implementation of the Escazú Agreement to defend environmental and human rights defenders, the protection of oceans, and comprehensive sustainable financing strategies, are some of the major absences in the proposed strategies, which puts effective climate action in the country at risk.
- Although the candidate's written proposals do not detail comprehensive strategies, in meetings with civil society, it has been said that the candidates are interested in working to address the climate crisis, however, some have even presented contradictory proposals, which is why the Coalition urges the representatives of all parties to work seriously and collaboratively on climate action, whoever wins.



In a few days the largest election in Mexico's history will take place, where more than 21,000 elected positions will be contested and decided by the informed vote of Mexico's citizens. In this context the Resilient Mexico Coalition urgently calls on the various people to be elected to present comprehensive plans to urgently address the climate crisis, both to reduce emissions and to increase adaptive capacity to the negative effects of climate change.

The analysis carried out by the Resilient Mexico Coalition of the [three presidential campaign proposals](#) shows that the candidates Claudia Sheinbaum

(MORENA-PVEM), Xóchitl Gálvez (PRI-PAN-PRD) and Jorge Álvarez (Movimiento Ciudadano), present proposals on climate change (which considers many points from the Coalition's proposal) but still lack a comprehensive vision that ensures both mitigation, adaptation and attention to the losses and damages caused by the climate crisis.

In this sense, the candidates arrive to the 2nd of June, the election day, with proposals, but with few truly transformative strategies, in which the exit and incentives to fossil fuel production are favoured, progress is made towards a just energy transition, water is provided in quantity and quality, including the comprehensive protection of the oceans, and there is a transition towards a regenerative circular economy, move towards a regenerative circular economy, favour strategies for living soils, guarantee the transition to more sustainable cities, and ensure full compliance with the Escazú Agreement for the protection of environmental defenders, protecting the territory and the country's mega-biodiversity. This will depend on a comprehensive sustainable financing strategy that will provide the budgetary and financial resources to implement these actions.

After several meetings organised by the Coalition and allies, where the [Decarbonisation and Climate Resilience Plan](#) developed by the Coalition (with the participation of more than 1000 experts over two years) was presented, both the candidates and their teams spoke of their interest in addressing the climate crisis; however, some of their proposals are even contradictory to addressing climate change, such as continuing to perpetuate the model based on fossil fuels, which calls into question the willingness to address this problem as a matter of urgency.

From the Coalition we make a strong call not to put the future of present and future generations at risk, and to take the climate crisis seriously and with a comprehensive vision, because the coming six years (2024-2030) will be the most important to accelerate action, or social, environmental and economic costs will be incalculable. The 2nd of June is the beginning of a new chapter for our country in which coordinated, plural, inclusive and collaborative action will be fundamental to lead Mexico towards a fairer and more sustainable scenario.

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