## Tec and UNAM working with UN for sustainable development



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Tecnológico de Monterrey and the UNAM are to jointly promote the 17 goals of the UN (United Nations) Sustainable Development Solutions Network.

At an official event held at the Palace of Mines in Mexico City, both institutions presented the establishment of the Mexican chapter of this network together with Jeffrey Sachs, director of this area in the UN.

The initiative is part of the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, including goals that range from quality education and gender equality to climate action and the eradication of poverty.

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"These 17 goals will become an important force in Tec de Monterrey and our country," assured Dr. Guillermo Torre, Rector of TecSalud, in his speech.

"The network's goal is to achieve sustainable life, a healthy environment without poverty, and to make progress towards a different development model. Everyone has to get involved in this task," said Enrique Graue, Rector of the UNAM. For his part, Jeffrey Sachs stressed the relevance of seeking sustainability as a society: "Having sustainable communities triggers an increase in wellbeing, better quality of life and happiness.

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The following senior leaders, among others, were also present at the ceremony: Alfonso Romo, Chief of Staff for the Mexican Presidential Office; Mexico City Mayor Claudia Sheinbaum, and Alejandro Poiré, Dean of the School of Social Sciences and Government at Tec de Monterrey.

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In a later interview with CONECTA, Poiré explained that countries have created a representative committee for the network, comprising leading local universities.

"Today, the 7th of March, the Mexico Center for the SDG (Sustainable Development Goals) Solutions Network has been inaugurated by the Tec de Monterrey and the UNAM, two of the most important educational establishments in Mexico," he added.

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He noted that **both institutions will be focused on enhancing the knowledge** acquired by many of the country's authorities, **generating further research**, and using all of this to, "*achieve these goals as quickly as possible.*"

"So that all the knowledge being generated may be converted into useful, actionable knowledge for authorities, civil society organizations, companies, and all political and social stakeholders," he explained.

## THE 17 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS ARE:

- No Poverty
- Zero Hunger
- Good Health and Well-Being
- Quality Education
- Gender Equality
- Clean Water and Sanitation
- Affordable and Clean Energy
- Decent Work and Economic Growth
- Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure

- Reduced Inequalities
- Sustainable Cities and Communities
- Responsible Consumption and Production
- Climate Action
- Life Below Water
- Life on Land
- Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions
- Partnerships

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