

President of the Tec commented on achievements in recent years



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At the beginning of his term eight years ago, **Salvador Alva** was given **one hour** to decide if he **wanted to be president of Tec de Monterrey**.

When he consulted his wife, she said, *“Didn’t you want a social project? Isn’t this your project? I support you one hundred percent.”*

With this and other anecdotes, **Salvador Alva** recalled his **time as president of Tec de Monterrey** during the **2020 Board of Directors Meeting**.

*“Today I feel moved more than ever. **We’ve built a dream together and here’s the result**. It’s been an **honor** and a **privilege** to take this path with you over these years,”* he said.



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Some of the **initiatives** that the president mentioned included implementation of the **Tec21 Educational Model, DistritoTec**, together with **inclusion and equality** initiatives, as well as **Leaders of Tomorrow**, which provides **100% scholarships** to talented young people.

*“How did we manage to achieve all this in such an extensive and complex institution, which also has so much talent? By highlighting the **two central elements** in the **culture** we’ve constructed,”* said the president.

*“We recognized that our **only true clients** are **our students** and we’ve built a non-authoritarian **culture of collaboration** with one **goal** in mind: to develop **talent**,”* he added.

Salvador Alva thanked the **Tec Community** and his **family**, as well as mentioning the work of each member of the team of **directors** who accompanied him during his tenure.

He also talked about the Tec’s **2030 vision**, focused on **Leadership, innovation** and entrepreneurship for **human flourishing**.

He also listed some of the **challenges** the institution will face in the future and the **importance** of **universities** to the **growth of Mexico**.

He also affirmed that the **Tec** is considered one of the **most reliable institutions in the country** and has the opportunity to make a positive **impact** upon Mexico.

*“The Tec is **recognized** and **admired** as one of the **best universities**. We’re a **leading actor** with considerable **influence** on the world’s great issues,”* he said.



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David Garza, the current rector who **will replace Salvador from July**, took the floor to **thank Salvador for his work** and reaffirmed his **commitment** to the Tec.

On an **occasion** that included **students singing a song** and a **video of thanks**, there was also a moment of **special recognition**.

Members of the **Tec Community** took to the **stage** along with members of the president's management team.

After a round of applause, **Salvador Alva** ended his **speech** by **inviting** everyone to be **decisive actors** in the **social transformation** of Mexico.

*"Whatever we do, let's do it with **passion**, with **commitment**, with **generosity** and certainly with a new and greater dose of **solidarity**, **responsibility** and a dedication to **service** and **empathy**,"* he concluded.

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