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Index Nacional Participates in the Presentation of Industrial Hubs in Yucatán

The National Council of the Maquiladora and Export Manufacturing Industry (INDEX), represented by its national president, Humberto Martínez Cantú, and the president of INDEX Yucatán, Alejandro Guerrero, participated in the presentation of the Polos Industriales del Bienestar (Industrial Hubs for Well-being). These hubs aim to promote national and international investment, stimulate the local economy, and strengthen strategic sectors such as technology, tourism, and renewable energy.

With the presence of the governor of Yucatán, Mauricio Vila Dosal, Raquel Buenrostro, Secretary of Economy, and other key representatives from business, industrial, and public sectors, it was highlighted that these Industrial Hubs aim to improve the quality of life by providing access to health services, education, housing, and quality employment, among other benefits.

Before his participation, Humberto Martínez, president of INDEX Nacional, assured that a promising scenario is expected for this project, which is part of the Interoceanic Corridor. It will be during Claudia Sheinbaum's next six-year term when the project will be completed with the installation of industrial plants.

"In this coming six-year term, with Dr. Claudia administration, I believe that the southeast of the country will be already operating. Her strategy is very open (...). We have been in conversation for several months with the Secretary of Economy, Buenrostro. They are offering us 10-hectare polygons in the southeast area with tax benefits to establish plants in that part of the country," he said.

The arrival of industries to the southeastern region of the country will also represent a series of needs such as infrastructure, energy, water, and talent. To support this, there will be fiscal incentives to encourage private sector participation, such as accelerated depreciation for the first six years, VAT exemption for the first four years, and total income tax exemption for the first three years. These incentives can be significant for IMMEX companies, as their philosophy is to produce and export productively, generating well-being and creating more and better jobs.

The National Council of INDEX is aware of the economic potential of southeastern Mexico, particularly the state of Yucatán, which, from January 1999 to March 2024, accumulated a total of 4.359 billion dollars in Foreign Direct Investment, distributed in new investments (2.398 billion dollars), reinvestment of profits (1.344 billion dollars), and inter-company accounts (617 million dollars). Therefore, from September 18 to 21,

the National INDEX Convention, 'The Nearshoring Industry,' will be held in the city of Mérida.