**Member Country Profile – Mexico**

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| **Organisations:** | National Agency for Safety, Energy and Environment of Mexico (ASEA)  Agencia Nacional de Energía, Seguridad y Ambiente. ASEA |
| **Country Representatives:** | Carlos de Regules - Executive Director  Luis Martinez - Chief of Staff  Laura Lira - International Cooperation |
| **Contact:** | [www.asea.gob.mx](http://www.asea.gob.mx) |
| **Regime Scope:**  ASEA is responsible for regulating and supervising both industrial and operational safety as well as environmental protection on facilities and activities related to the hydrocarbons sector. | |
| **Administering Agency/Arrangements:**  ASEA is an autonomous National Agency within SEMARNAT (Federal Secretariat for Environment and Natural Resources) established by constitutional reform in 2013 to regulate and inspect the hydrocarbon sector on everything related to Industrial Safety and Environmental Protection. | |
| **Legislation Type:**  Federal regulations and legal standards. | |
| **Extent of Government Approval:**  Issuance, suspension and/or cancellation of permits, authorizations and licenses for environmental impacts and risks affecting the hydrocarbons industry.  Authorizes industry’s safety and environmental management systems. | |
| **Links to Relevant Legislation:**  Please see information at: <https://www.gob.mx/asea> | |

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| **Nature of Duties Imposed:**  Regulation is oriented to guarantee an individual’s safety and environmental integrity with legal, procedural and cost-effectiveness, thus mantaining certainty in the hydrocarbons sector. | |
| **Physical Objects in the Regime:**    On shore/Off shore  Upstream, midstream, downstream/retail.  Including pipelines and service stations | |
| **Assurance Mechanisms:**  ASEA supervises, monitors and inspects and oversees, compliance of established regulation and legal standards. | |
| **Financial Basis:**  ASEA budget is approved by the Mexican congress as part of the yearly Federal Budget.  Fees and Fines. | |
| **Environmental Regulation Responsibilities:**  The Agency is responsible for guaranteeing environmental protection during exploration and production; industrial processing; storage and distribution; and commercialization of hydrocarbons. | |
| **Oil Spill Response:**    Industrial management systems to be previously authorized by ASEA are required to provide emergency response plans including oil spill response plans when applicable.  Inter-government Agency Response. | |
| **Transparency:**  Transparency is one of the key values of ASEA. The agency is committed to make public and accessible every action done. | |
| **Profile Date:** | July 23, 2018 |