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(Biographical sketch)

President of Ecanal, a private economic advisory firm focused on the macro outlook, opportunities and risks. Ecanal's clientele mainly consist of large international firms with operations in Mexico and some investment funds. Dr. Ramírez has published extensively on Mexico's macroeconomic issues, international trade and Nafta for the Center of International Strategic Studies in Washington, D.C.; SAIS-John Hopkins, Canada's Fraser Institute and CD Howe and the Pacific Council on International Affairs. He is regularly consulted for his opinion on Mexican macro policy for the international press and investors.

He is an Independent director of Consorcio Peña Verde and member of the (US) Conference of Business Economists.

He holds a PhD degree in Economics from Cambridge University and a bachelor's degree in Economics, from the National Autonomous University of Mexico.

Specialties

Mexican macroeconomic policy, fiscal and monetary policy constraints on growth
International trade and investment
The politics of economic reforms since the 1990s, strengths and weaknesses

Hits

Forecast unprecedented current account deficits in 1991
Was one of few who, since 1992, expected a significant depreciation of the peso with or without NAFTA
Predicted the passing of NAFTA
Predicted the banking crisis of 1995 and a sharp recovery after peso devaluation
Predicted the adoption of inflation targets in 1996
Predicted the failure of the two PAN presidencies (2001 and 2007) to inaugurate a new period of growth
Predicted a serious global meltdown and Mexican recession of 2009
Predicted the fading away of the "Mexican Moment" in 2013

Misses