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## ISI and FEMCIC Join Forces to Envision a more Sustainable and Resilient Mexico

Washington, D.C. — 8-18-2020, The Federación Mexicana de Colegios de Ingenieros Civiles (FEMCIC) and the Institute for Sustainable Infrastructure (ISI) are proud to announce their partnership to bring the Envision framework and rating system to Mexico. Working together, ISI and FEMCIC are hopeful that the A/E/C industry will use Envision to plan, design, and deliver sustainable and resilient infrastructure to enhance societal health and wellbeing, protect the environment, and boost economic prosperity across Mexico.

The President and Chief Executive Officer of ISI, Anthony Kane, is elated to be collaborating with FEMCIC and extending the Envision framework into Mexico: "We see this as a tremendous opportunity for Mexico, its citizens, communities, and the A/E/C industry. Amid the COVID-19 pandemic, there has never been a greater need to rebuild better infrastructure to aid communities in bouncing back stronger. The Envision framework and rating system can empower all stakeholders to do just that."

Mr. Alejandro Guevara, president of FEMCIC, agrees and said: "Mexico has an opportunity to implement a process for sustainable infrastructure development, and the civil engineering community will be leading the effort to demonstrate how our organization is partnering with international organizations like ISI to improve our nation's infrastructure."

Oscar Cortes, vice president of International Relations of FEMCIC, agrees and said, "This partnership will be a highly beneficial relationship as it promotes the use of the best management tools for our engineers."

FEMCIC is the leading Civil Engineering Society in Mexico comparable to ASCE in the United States. As such, they promote (within their membership) capacity building, and they coordinate the certification process across all 60 local chapters in Mexico. FEMCIC also engages its local, state, and federal legislative officials to promote an integrated development process for sustainable infrastructure as part of policies and regulations.

Envision is the product of the collaboration between ISI, which was founded by the





American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE), the American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC), the American Public Works Association (APWA), and the Zofnass Program for Sustainable Infrastructure at Harvard University Graduate School of Design. ISI's partnership with FEMCIC is a natural progression of that work. To date, thousands of individuals in the United States, Canada, and Italy have earned the Envision Sustainability Professional Credential (ENV SP). More than one hundred project teams have also had their projects verified. Numerous professionals and experts in the A/E/C industry have benefited from learning Envision. Infrastructure owners, engineers, designers, architects, planners, contractors, operators, and other stakeholders have found it most impactful when used as a guidance tool in the early planning and design stages of infrastructure development. Doing so helps engineers identify and analyze their needs before approving and executing projects.

The goal of both ISI and FEMCIC is to help individuals and communities thrive. With FEMCIC's stamp of approval, ISI is eager to work collaboratively with them to deploy Envision. Together, they'll be ensuring a more sustainable and resilient Mexico.

To learn more about Envision or the partnership between FEMCIC and ISI, please contact Dyan Lee, ISI's director of Marketing and Communications, at <u>lee@sustainableinfrastructure.org</u>.

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