

## **Rodrigo Alcázar Silva and Giovanni Tapia Lezama, new commissioners of Cofece**

**Mexico City, February 2, 2023.-** The Federal Economic Competition Commission (Cofece or Commission) informs that Rodrigo Alcázar Silva and Giovanni Tapia Lezama took office as commissioners of this body after being ratified by the Senate of the Republic in terms of Article 28 of the Mexican Constitution. With this, the Board of Commissioners of Cofece is complete, after its seven positions are occupied.

Commissioner Rodrigo Alcázar Silva, appointed from today until the last day of February 2028, holds a degree in Economics from Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México and a master's degree in Economics, Regulation and Competition in Public Services and Telecommunications from Universitat de Barcelona in Spain. He has an extensive experience at Cofece where, until today, he served as Executive Director of Economic Studies in the General Directorate of Economic Studies, and previously, as Director of Market Investigations and Prospective Analysis in the General Directorate of Relative Monopolistic Practices as well as Deputy Director of Investigation of Relative Monopolistic Practices; he was also Director in the office of a Commissioner of the Federal Institute of Telecommunications, and Competition Manager of Izzi Telecomunicaciones. Furthermore, he is also a professor at Instituto Tecnológico de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey.

Commissioner Giovanni Tapia Lezama, appointed for nine years, holds a degree in Economics from Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas, and to date was a senior associate at SAI Derecho y Economía; moreover, at Cofece he was Deputy Director General at the office of a Commissioner and Deputy Director of the General Directorate of Economic Studies. He was economic advisor at the General Directorate of Pemex Exploración y Producción, researcher at the Center for Public Finance Studies at the Chamber of Deputies and economic analyst at the General Directorate of Economic Studies at the Bank of Mexico.

Those of us who work in Cofece wish every success to commissioners Alcázar Silva and Tapia Lezama in their assignment. We are convinced that their integration into the Board of Commissioners of Cofece will strengthen our institutional efforts for the benefit of competition and free market access.

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*The Federal Economic Competition Commission safeguards competition and free market access.*

*Through its work, it seeks better conditions for consumers, that more services are supplied with higher quality and that there is a "level-playing-field" for companies*