Towards a democracy beyond elections: **citizen participation** in the promotion of transparency and the fight against **corruption**.

Mexican case



# **Constitutional Reform (2015)**



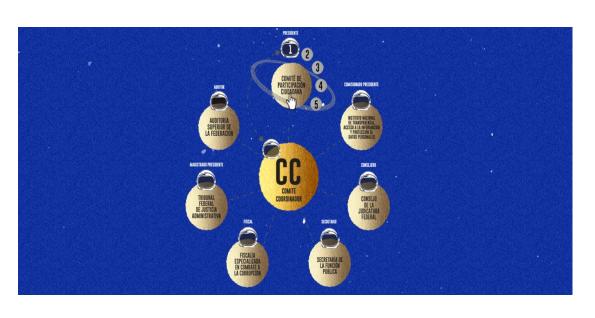
Social unrest from corruption scandals.

 Joint efforts of different actors/sectors.

 Creation of the National Anti-Corruption System (NAS).

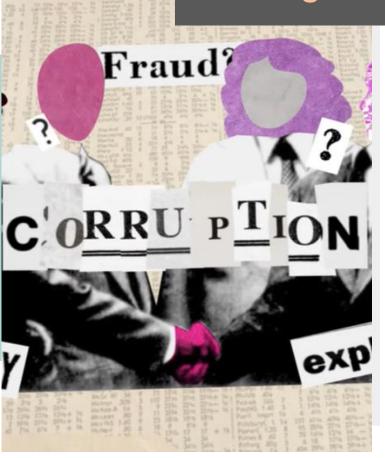
### **NAS 101**

### **Coordinating Committee (CC)**



- CC- coordinates 7 institutions (prevention, detection, investigation and sanction).
- CC- establishing and evaluating anticorruption policies.
- Citizen inclusion in the Citizen Participation Committee (CPC).
- Model replicated in 32 states.

#### Challenges in the implementation of the NAS



#### 1. Designations

- a. Unsuitable profiles
- b. Delays in the appointments

# 2. Resistance from government institutions

- a. Investigate
- b. High leveles of impunity

# 3. Slow approval of anti-corruption policies

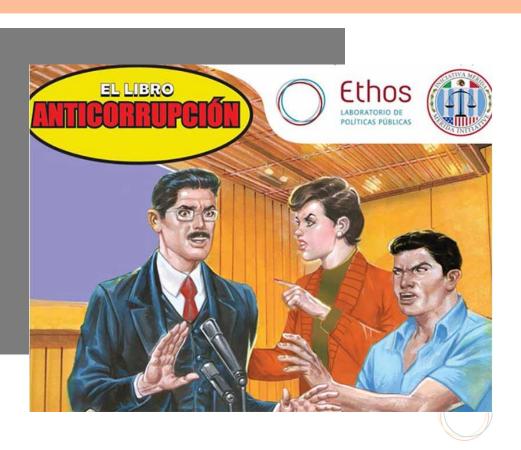
4. CPC- propose citizen participation mechanisms

### How to encourage citizen participation?



- a) Not all citizens have the same conditions or tools to participate.
- b) Topics highly technical for the general population.
- c) Information is only available in Spanish or electronically.
- d) Mechanisms should be adequate for the sector we`re trying to reach.

## **Anti-corruption Booklet**



- 1. NAS is very technical and complex (7 regulatory laws).
- 2. NAS had to be explained in an easy and creative way:
  Anti-Corruption Booklet.
- 3. Distribution in urban and rural areas.
- 4. Basic questions were answered.

# A Citizen's Guide to the National Anti-Corruption System: A Word to the Wise



- 1. Technological platform that shows the main functioning of the NAS.
- 2. Based on a innovative design, illustrations and popular proverbs.
- 3. Targeted at citizens, civil society and academia.

## **Anti-Corruption Citizen Force**



- Sustainable citizen participation by involving CSO
- 2. Anti-corruption Citizen Force
  - a) 26 CSOs from all over the country.
  - b) Purpose- to collaborate in solving common problems.

# Thank you



