

Editorial

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In January 2015, our first volume of the journal “Legal and Politic Science”, an-idea that began to take shape in 2014, and we saw as a need to impulse within our program of Legal and Political research. It was like this a team composed of the school and writers called for the first issue set out to organize the structure, guidelines, and content. It was born as a physical edition and in the year 2016 its editions were also virtual.

Since we began with this effort, it has been extremely rich the legal and political literature contributed by more than 20 researchers, national and foreign academics, from our university, as well as from universities in Argentina, Colombia, Cuba, Spain, El Salvador Guatemala, and Mexico. The valuable contribution of well-known intellectual in Nicaragua, such as Sergio Ramirez and Carlos Tünnermann, as well as the lawyers and practicing political scientists who are highly prestigious professionals.

We are indexed and we are in international catalogues of journals such as Latinindex, LatinRey, MIAR, CIRC, ERIHPLUS, DRJI, GOOGLE, BASE, ADVANCED SCIENCES, INDEX, ROAD, ACADEMIC, RESOURCE INDEX, EUROPUB, and others. It was awarded in 2017 with the national award for the best index journal awarded by the Nicaraguan science and technology council (CONICYT).

In these six years that we celebrated its creation, we want to do it in a special way with monothematic content in political science and public management, with five articles of scientific relevance written by Nicaraguan researchers with law degrees, today students of the scholarship program between UPOLI AND UANL- MEXICO. In four of the articles participate as co-authors, investigators of the Autonomous University of Nuevo Leon and students’ colleagues of the master’s programs of our graduated and scholars.

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Democracy and citizen participation; public polities and citizen participation; labor productivity and public politics are the three thematic axes of the articles exquisitely written by this collective that integrated this special edition in our sixth anniversary.

Labor productivity: A look at the needs of SMEs in Mexico, by the authors Gabriela Baltodano- García and Oswaldo Leyva Cordero, in which an analysis of theoretical and conceptual elements on the labor productivity of SMEs in Mexico and addresses the role of programs offered by the government to contribute to increase labor productivity, where the actual impact of current policies for future implementation is evident. The authors make a tour of various publications of international organizations and use data from censuses, surveys, and institutions of the Mexican government to comment on effectiveness of financing programs, target funding, advisory, support, and certification programs to raise labor productivity and the national economy.

Mechanisms of citizen participation existing in the State of Nicaragua, written by Cristian Rivas – Castillo and Karla Rodriguez Burgos, identifies the mechanisms of citizen participation recognized by the State of Nicaragua, the way in which these mechanisms are defined and created. It analyses the implementation of existing instruments in this area in the Central American country and identifies specific cases in which one of the mechanisms for citizen participation has been used. Although there is a broad regulatory framework on citizen participation, they conclude that these are not in line with the reality of the country, although it is a slight growth in the involvement of individual in public decisions.

Importance of the mechanisms of citizen participation in democratic systems, written by Joan López Cantarero. In which it is pointed out the importance that entails in a democratic system the existence of formal mechanisms of citizen participation as a form of socio- state relationship. Although it is true, the author describes, there are various mechanism for citizen participation, it is also true that the citizenship does not know them, does not know how to use them, or does not find them interesting. It states that there is not an active stimulation in the government initiatives to bring a change in the perception of citizens with these mechanisms. It suggests that a thoughtful study should be made of what citizen face to make

use of their right of participation through the formal mechanisms of citizen participation and their importance in democratic systems.

Virtual collective action and spaces for citizen participation of youth in Nicaragua, in which authors Luis Jara and A.R. Saldiera analyze the relationship between the social networks and the levels of citizen participation. Specially, it explores whether the civic participation of young people in Nicaragua is related to the use of the different social networks as a mechanism of virtual interconexion and generation of spaces in the construction of a critical awareness necessary for strengthening of Democracy. The research results highlight preference of technological media, applications and virtual social networks to inform and share relevant content to political and social life, along with the young citizen's disinterest in participating in public affairs by conventional means.

Citizen participation and community actions in crime prevention. Nuevo León case, written by the authors Dave Alexander López Mejía and Juan de Dios Martínez Villareal, carry out a review on models of citizen participation and binding laws with society, specially on insecurity, crime prevention, mechanisms for prevention, with the objectives of determining the degree of awareness of the population with respect of the Law on Social Prevention and Crime with Citizen Participation of the State of Nuevo Leon and the levels of citizen participation in crime prevention and identify whether social actions and government actions have been efficient in crime prevention.

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