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## Partner Session



### Student Mobility in Mexico - News and Trends

**Monday, March 09, 19:00 - 20:00**

#### Session description:

Join a brief presentation and Q&A session about Mexican student mobility: trends, government involvement, and an introduction of the members of the Mexican Association of Educational Tourism.

Mexico is a large developing nation with enormous potential for growth in the educational travel market. The Federal Government has pledged to grow international collaboration programs in education and internships nearly 10 fold in the next four years. Groups like the Mexican Association of Educational Tourism (AMTE) are leading the charge sending students, graduates and post-graduates on language, year-abroad (high school and post-secondary) and full 4-year university programs.

Come see what the future holds in the Mexican Educational Travel Market.

To register for free please send a short email to [cwojcik@icef.com](mailto:cwojcik@icef.com) indicating number of participants and the name of the institution you represent.

The seminar will take place in room Doña Sol on the 4th floor.



#### **Joshua Tripp**, *Executive Director, Lamat, Mexico*

Joshua Tripp is the Executive Director of LAMAT, studied International Relations at Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM) in Mexico City and also specialised in Mexican History and Archeology at the National School of Anthropology and History (ENAH). Joshua has worked in International Education for fifteen years, has served as consultant for Mexico's main airline to improve and open new cargo destinations in Asia and Latin America, and worked with an international non-profit micro-finance consultant agency.

Joshua is the founder of LAMAT, a non-profit international education organisation and the owner of Tripp Group, a group of companies that develop different touristic products worldwide. He is also the Vice President of the Federation of the Experiment in International Living (Federation EIL).



#### **Michael Smith**, *President, Enlace Internacional, Mexico*

Michael Smith has over 13 years of international experience in internship and professional training programs sending university students, graduates and young professionals from Mexico on varying programs in the United States and Canada. His companies, Enlace Internacional based in Mexico City and more recently his startup, Bridges Exchange LLC from Oregon, are responsible for thousands of young people traveling abroad. Michael was born and was educated in the United States holding a bachelors degree in Political Science with a minor in Spanish from Sonoma State University in Northern California and participated in an education abroad program doing his final year of undergraduate study at the Universidad Iberoamericana in Mexico City. Mr. Smith has dual nationality; Mexican and United States and resides in Mexico City with his wife and two children.

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