

Note from the Editor

Política y Gobierno has paid due service to the study of elections in Mexico since its foundation back in 1994. We have not only recurrently published articles about electoral behavior in Mexico, but also have launched monographic issues to address presidential elections since 2006. Therefore, our focus on the 2018 federal election should come as no surprise, given both our academic mandate to illuminate Mexican politics and the astonishing public interest this election raised.

In the meeting of September 24, 2018, *Política y Gobierno*'s editorial board decided to make an invitation to a number of relevant scholars from Mexico and abroad to participate in a bilingual issue on "The 2018 Mexican election". Javier Aparicio and Rodrigo Castro Cornejo were invited as guest editors to coordinate the issue together with our editorial team. More than twenty scholars participated in a December 2018 open meeting held at CIDE, where a broad range of topics were discussed and ideas flew freely.

In April 26, 2019, eleven papers were thoroughly discussed and, after being revised, submitted for review. Following our regular editorial process, all papers received extensive comments provided by our excellent reviewers and then the authors were invited to revise and resubmit their papers. A third round of additional comments came from the editors, before accepting the final versions of the papers.

In this issue, the reader will find a very rich account of the 2018 federal election in Mexico. It includes seven articles and four research notes that cover most dimensions of the election—from corruption, to security and religion. I do not exaggerate if I say this issue will become a must-read for those interested in Mexican and Latin-American elections. Finally, I would like to thank Julio Ríos, who envisioned this issue before completing his tenure as editor; Javier Aparicio and Rodrigo Castro Cornejo for their willingness to take up on this task and

bring it wonderfully to an end; Natalia Cervantes and her team for their efficiency in moving the papers to the (virtual) print; Ana Pascoe for translating some and revising all the papers; and Gaby Cantú (former assistant editor) and Diana Sánchez Romero (current assistant editor) for their extraordinarily generous service to the journal. 

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