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LANZBC Presents Rodrigo Penna

**FOSTERING LEGAL SECURITY FOR NEW ZEALAND INVESTMENTS IN LATIN AMERICA:
PRESENT INITIATIVES, CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES.**

This talk will touch upon an often-forgotten dimension when investing in Latin American: the vital importance of understanding the legal environment of the region and of counting with a functional rule of law. In spite of challenges, several successful initiatives have been undertaken in the realms of justice modernization, efficiency, transparency, accountability and institutional stability. The talk will offer an understanding of the legal tradition of Latin America, as well as a panorama of its achievements and vibrant opportunities for New Zealand investments and exports.



Rodrigo Penna has a career dedicated to international policy advice, strategic negotiations and private-public interface. Most recently, he acted as the 'Coordinator of International Cooperation' within the Presidency of the Superior Court of Justice of Brazil. In a singular initiative of strengthening links among Latin American legal and political structures, Mr. Penna was responsible for fostering a more predictable and reliable legal security environment to foreign investments and national interests in Latin America.

Mr. Penna holds a Bachelor's degree in International Relations and a Master's certified by King's College London. In parallel to his work, has also been Professor of 'Latin American Politics and Security' at the Catholic University of Brasilia. Is also a member of renowned think-tanks such as the Royal Institute of International Affairs and the International Institute of Strategic Studies.