

# Challenges and opportunities for integration



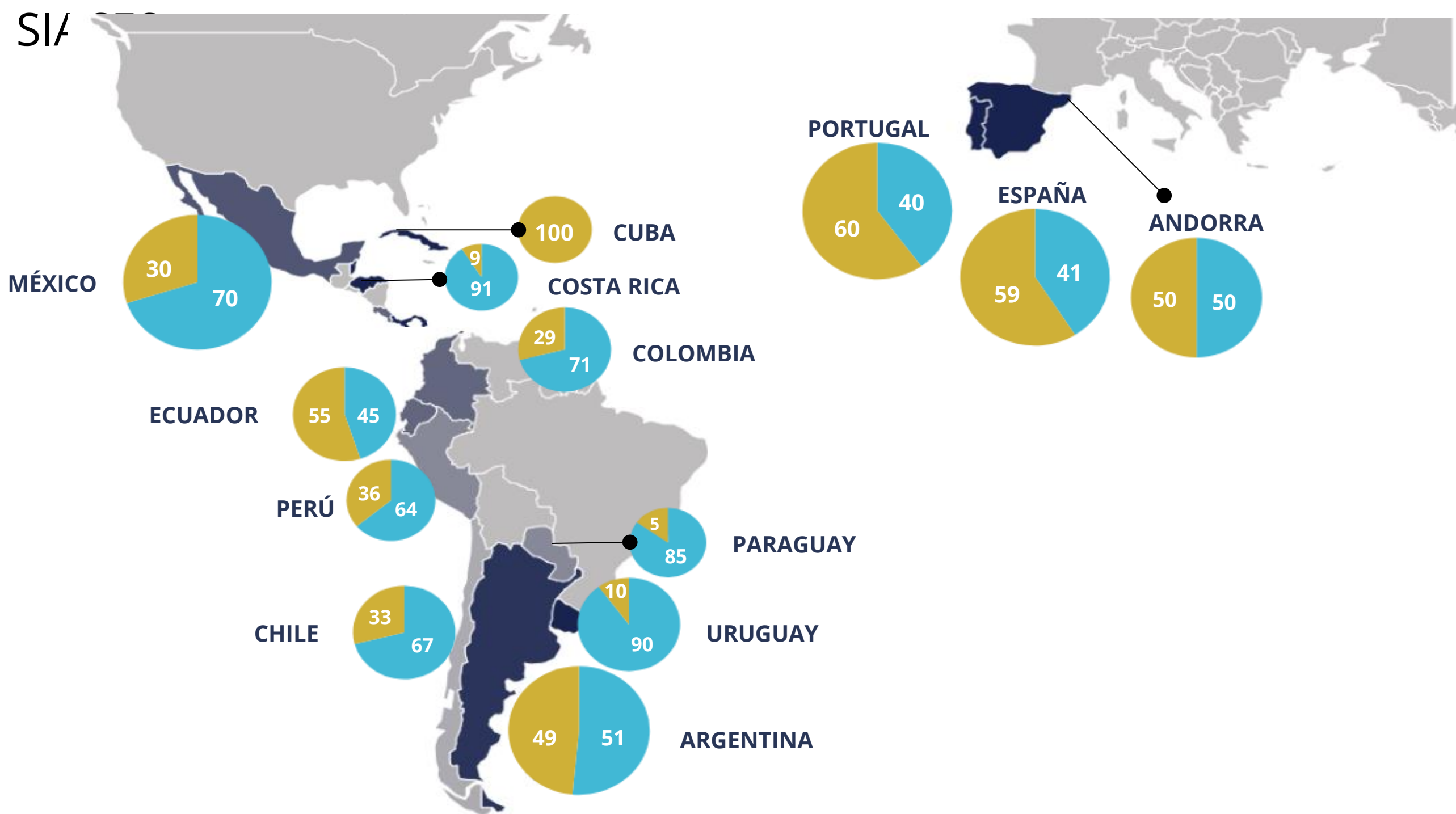
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# UNIVERSITY INSTITUTIONS BY MANAGEMENT TYPE (%)

Countries member of



## ENROLLMENT IN STATE-RUN UNIVERSITY INSTITUTIONS (%)

Countries member of  
SIAI





# NATIONAL AGENCIES FOR UNIVERSITY EVALUATION AND ACCREDITATION



For more information, you can access the publication “National Quality Assurance Systems in Higher Education in Ibero-America.”

Available at: <https://www.coneau.gov.ar/archivos/publicaciones/documentos/C.pdf>

## ACCREDITATION OF DEGREE PROGRAMS IN THE REGION

according to mandatory nature

Countries member of SIACES

Mandatory for all programs regardless of disciplines	Mandatory for programs from specific disciplines	Mandatory for selected programs and voluntary for all other programs.	Voluntary	Voluntary in the ARCU-SUR regional system	Programs are not accredited
ANDORRA *	ARGENTINA	CHILE	COLOMBIA	BOLIVIA	EL SALVADOR
SPAIN *	BRAZIL	PANAMA	COSTA RICA	URUGUAY	GUATEMALA
PORTUGAL	ECUADOR **	PERU	CUBA		HONDURAS
	PARAGUAY		MEXICO		NICARAGUA
					DOMINICAN REPUBLIC



\* Only for official programs. No accreditation of university degrees is issued by universities.

\*\* Accreditation is mandatory for all programs by law, but because the accreditation process is by solicitation, for now only those that were solicited are accredited



# What is SIACES?

**The Ibero-American System for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (SIACES) arises from the will expressed by the Ibero-American Heads of State and Government in their Declaration of Guatemala in 2018.**

To promote:

**Quality assurance of higher education within States**

**Strengthening of cooperation among national systems of evaluation and accreditation of higher education.**

# What is the SEGIB?

The Ibero-American General Secretariat is **an international support organization** for the 22 countries that make up the Ibero-American community: the 19 Spanish and Portuguese-speaking countries of Latin America, and the Iberian Peninsula countries of Spain, Portugal and Andorra.

Supports **the organization of the Ibero-American Summits of Heads of State and Government**, complies with their mandates, and promotes Ibero-American cooperation in education, social cohesion, and culture.



# SIACES Members



Área de Educación Superior (AES)



Comisión de Acreditación de la  
Calidad de la Educación Superior



ELSALVADOR



JUNTA DE ACREDITACIÓN NACIONAL



SEAES





# Main actions conducted by SIACES

**Declaration of Good Practice Principles**

Ibero-american **Register** of Accredited Programs

Validation of Good Practice of the Agencies

General Guidelines for the Accreditation of  
Undergraduate and Graduate Programs and for  
the Evaluation of Virtual Education

SIACES **Quality Seal**

**Collaboration with other regional organisms**

## Good Practice In the quality assurance systems



Legal framework



Governance structure



Review Mechanisms



International  
networking



Respect for the HIE



Procedures and public  
standards



Peer reviewers



Assistance and support



Broadcasting of  
results



Independent decision-  
making



Appeals system

# Ibero-American Knowledge Space (IKS)

## Challenges and projections

Validation of agencies on the basis of Good Practice Guidelines

Asymmetries in the region: varying degrees of consolidation of national quality assurance systems.

Expand SIACES with new IKS members

Building bridges with other regions through quality assurance of the IKS



**Thank you**  
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