



Dear Vice Chancellor,

AIU has collaborated with IAUP, CONAHEC and Santander for a global survey on reopening of HEIs and start of the new academic year.

As higher education institutions around the world had to implement numerous measures to deal with COVID-19, including protecting the health of students and of the university community in general, as well as moving to emergency remote education (e.g., online education), some are now in the process of deciding what is next for the remainder of the year and also evaluating what is to come in the following years.

In an effort that involves several higher education organizations worldwide, we are implementing a survey that aims to gather information from university presidents and senior leaders on plans and perspectives at their respective universities regarding the start of the new academic year (2020/2021), as well as challenges and opportunities in the future (2021 and beyond). There is substantive evidence and data concerning how universities around the world have responded to the challenges of COVID-19 but only emerging information regarding what is next and most importantly what we anticipate for the future.

We appreciate your support by taking the time to respond to this survey. Your feedback on this matter is of utmost importance in order to provide a regional as well as a global comparative perspective. As your participation is voluntary, we appreciate your time and support responding to the survey, which will take 10 to 15 minutes. All your responses will be anonymous and treated confidentially. Completion of this survey implies consent and allows us to store and analyse data according to regulations.

Please access (and share) the survey via this link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/COVID19-globalsurvey>

When the overall results are ready, we will gladly share them with you and your institution.

Once again, thank you for dedicating your valuable time to helping us support greater knowledge about universities in COVID-19 times.

For more information on organizing institutions, please visit their websites at:

**Santander Universidades** [www.santanderuniversidades.com.mx](http://www.santanderuniversidades.com.mx) | **IAUP** [www.iaup.org](http://www.iaup.org) | **CONAHEC** [www.conahec.org](http://www.conahec.org) | **AIU** <https://www.aiu.ac.in/>