Political, Regulatory & Security Risk in Central & South America
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Introduction

• Resource nationalism in decline
• High levels of civil unrest
• Insecurity a major concern
Venezuela

- High levels of state control, 2006 nationalisation
- Turn towards authoritarianism
Venezuela

- Critically high levels of crime
- April – July 2017 protests: Statoil and Repsol withdraw staff

Source: OVV, Provea and UN
Mexico

- Landmark liberalisation of oil sector in 2013
- Pragmatism and responsiveness with each bidding round
- Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador – threat to reform from leftist populism?

Source: Reuters
Mexico

- January 2017 – mass unrest against government’s fuel price hike
Brazil

- Shift away from resource nationalism under President Temer
- New president in January 2019
- Petrobras strike November 2015: 2.29 mn barrels of oil lost

Source: Oil & Gas Financial Journal
Argentina

- President Macri – drive to reduce costs, labour conflicts
- Loma la Lata – indigenous protests in 2017
Ecuador, Peru & Bolivia

**Ecuador**
- Improving terms under recently elected President Moreno

**Peru**
- High levels of unrest targeting extractives projects

**Bolivia**
- President Morales – may remain in power until 2025

Source: Santiago Times

Source: Mercopress

Source: Energy Daily
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