

Review of the Americas region 2019

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Our growth and transformation agenda



What sets us apart is our genuine care for our clients, our people and the wider impact we have

The world around us is changing fast and we must lead that change

So we will seize this chance to disrupt and challenge the status quo

By Growing Together with focus, agility and pace

And by being transformational leaders who build a culture of innovation and collaboration Together we will create the next generation professional services organisation













Our six strategic drivers



Drive a strategic growth agenda



Develop transformational leaders



Build a stand-out brand



Build a culture of collaboration and innovation



Transform our Technology



Focus on quality



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"Change will not come if we wait for some other person or some other time. We are the ones we've been waiting for. We are the change that we seek."

President Barack Obama





Regional strategy

- focus on driving strategic, sustainable and quality growth
- 2 upgrade our capabilities as a region
- lead with an M&A strategy to recruit new member firms, merger targets and lateral hires
- 4 leverage the strength of the Grant Thornton brand



Our regional team to help you



Frances ca Lagerberg Global leader Network capabilities



Roy Buddle Regional leader Network capabilities



Winston Romero Director Network capabilities



Carolina Salamanca Senior manager Marketing, communications and business development



Mariana La Menza Manager Marketing, communications and business development

Regional overview



Americas region in 2018







Significant growth across the region - 2018

Region's growth 4.5% in revenue (USD)

Latin America and the Caribbean growth

2.5%
in revenue (USD)

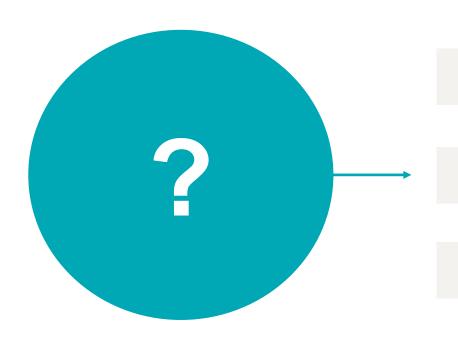
Costa Rica: 269.5%

Cayman (audit): 48.1%

Trinidad and Tobago: 34.2%



Growth across the region - 2019



USA: US \$1.9 billion

Brazil: >30% growth

Annual returns are in progress!

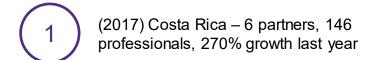


M&A growth since last year



Americas: success stories

M&A - new member firms





Panama – 2 partners, 25 professionals, 51% owned by Grant Thornton Costa Rica

(2018) Dutch Caribbean – 5 partners, 169 professionals, 80 years in operation, largest member firm in the Caribbean 5

Paraguay – 3 partners, 8 professionals, 100% owned by Grant Thornton Uruguay

Guatemala – 3 partners, 47 professionals, 51% owned by Grant Thornton Costa Rica

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Peru – 2 partners, 40 professionals, 51% owned by Grant Thornton Argentina

Americas: success stories

M&A - mergers



Brazil – BPS boutique firm: 1 partner, 26 professionals. Additional revenue: US\$1 million



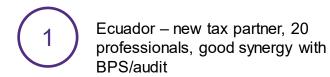
Puerto Rico – 3 Partners, 40 professionals and staff. Additional US\$3 million. Strengths in audit & advisory (Public Sector, Banking, Insurance and Healthcare)

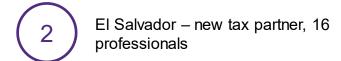


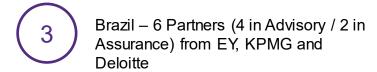
Spain & Colombia – JV for Advisory Services (ongoing)

Americas: success stories

M&A - lateral hires







M&A in the region

a year of transformational change....



11 in total (new firms, mergers and significant lateral hires)



Big 4 Partners, practices and firms are evaluating their options



Our brand is the strongest it has ever been



New opportunities are already in the pipeline for 2020



Big 4 competitors are undergoing regionalization



Grant Thornton reputation, brand, culture and our values continue to differentiate us

What have we learned?



Case study – Dutch Caribbean









Case study – Dutch Caribbean

- Employee survey: 71 people out of 140
- Aruba, Bonaire, Curaçao and St. Maarten

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Comment:

"Change process gave people the opportunity for personal development and to improve skills"

Comment:

04

"People make the brand, not the other way around" 02

Comment:

"Been there before, this transition was smooth"

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Comment:

"Partners and IT did a good job, our operations continued during the transition"

Comment

06

"We are ready to make GT the #1 office in the Dutch Caribbean"

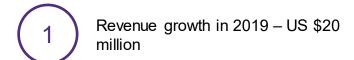
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Comment:

"We are still the same people, so we can still do great"

Outcome and results...

one year later..





Competitive advantages have increased. KPMG was taken over by EY

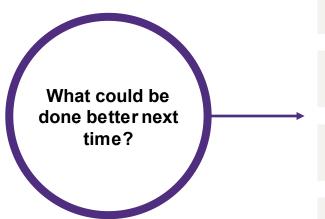
2 Tax has retained 100% of their clients

5 new Partners in the Partnership. The firm is totally committed to their new brand and has invested heavily

Audit referrals from PwC have continued (> US \$1 million)

6 Solid strategy 100% aligned with GTIL.
Targeting growth in AS for 2020

Lessons learned



"Better project management"

"More support during the onboarding process"

"Better internal and external communication"

"Having a clear strategy and planning for the transition and communicating this clearly"



Organic growth



Significant client wins

















Brand strength



Upgraded brand presence in the region

- Our new firms in the region, including Dutch Caribbean, Peru,
 Panama, Guatemala and Paraguay, as well as our new service line
 leaders in Ecuador and El Salvador, have contributed to an upgraded
 brand presence in the region.
- The strong investment of these firms in MCBD activities including social media, events, thought leadership and advertising has taken the Grant Thornton brand to the next level.

Brazil - focus on innovation and sustainability







Dutch Caribbean

IT Data Analytic Auditing and the International Standards on Auditing

In the previous publications in a series of four that facusses on IT data analytic in the previous publications in a sense of root that rocuses on it and analyses oudfling we explored whether financial statements in their current format are still relevant and discussed different aspects and forms of providing information by a company and the different types of continuous assurance thereon. In this article IT data analytics is discussed from an auditing standards perspective.

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Ecuador





Tax Alert

Obligaciones Tributarias y Laborales - Septiembre 2019

OBLIGACIONES ESPECÍFICAS DEL MES

Pago de la Tercera Cuota del Anticipo de Impuesto a la Renta:

De acuerdo con el Decreto Ejecutivo No. 806 publicado en el Suplemento del R.O. 524 del 5 de en cinco cuotas iguales durante los meses de julio, agosto, septiembre, octubre y noviembre de acuerdo al noveno digito de RUC o cédula según

Contribución a la Superintendencia de Compañías

De acuerdo a la Resolución No. SCVS-INAF-2019-0005, publicado en el R.O. 439 de 01 de marzo de 2019, el pago de la contribución para el año 2019 se establece de acuerdo con el monto de activos reales de las compañías según la tabla fijada por la entidad, hasta el 30 de septiembre.

Las compañías en las que el 50% o más del capital social estuviere representado por acciones pertenecientes a instituciones de derecho público pública, pagarán únicamente el 50% de la

Las contribuciones se depositarán en la Cuenta de Recaudaciones, denominada "Superintendencia de Compañías", en el Banco corresponsal autorizado

Las compañías que hasta el 30 de septiembre hayan pagado al menos el 50% de la contribución que les corresponde, tendrán derecho a cancelar el otro 50%, hasta el 31 de diciembre, sin lugar a recargo ni penalidad alguna, previa solicitud del interesado y autorización de la Superintendencia de Compañías, Valores y Seguros.

Informar a la Super, de Cias el nombre y la Razón Social del Auditor Externo:

Según el Art. 321 de la Ley de Compañías, la contratación de los auditores externos se efectuará hasta 90 días antes de la fecha de cierre del ejercicio económico, debiendo la compañía informar a la Superintendencia de Compañías, en el plazo de 30 días contados desde la fecha de contratación, el nombre, la razón social o denominación de la persona natural o jurídica contratada.

Para cumplir con la disposición, los usuarios deberán ingresar con el RUC y clave de la compañía al "Portal de trámites" que se encuentra en la página web www.supercias.gob.ec, seleccionar la opción "Auditoria Externa" y posteriormente elegir el botón "Notificación de contratación de auditoría

Registro del pago del Décimo Cuarto Sueldo

Los empleadores cuyo noveno digito del RUC sea 6,7,8,9 y 0 deben de registrar en la plataforma del Ministerio del Trabajo el pago del décimo cuarto sueldo - Región Sierra y Oriente de acuerdo con el siguiente calendario:

NOVENO DIGITO DEL RUC	FECHA DE PAGO AL TRABAJADOR	FECHA DE REGISTRO	
6,7,8,9 y 0	Hasta el 15 de agosto de 2019	Del 05 de septiembre al 24 de septiembre	

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El Salvador





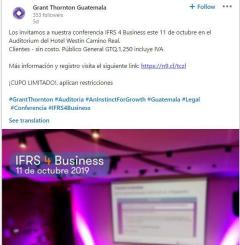




Guatemala









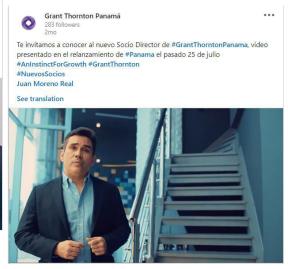




Panama







Paraguay









Asunción recibe en el corazón de la ciudad, el alcance global de Grant Thornton. #GrantThorntonPY #UnEquipoDiferente #AnInstinctForGrowth

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Abrimos nuevas oficinas

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Peru







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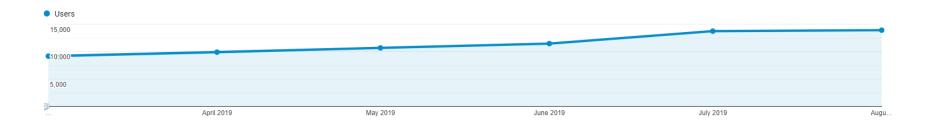




Digital - websites



Mexico website visitors (last 6 months)

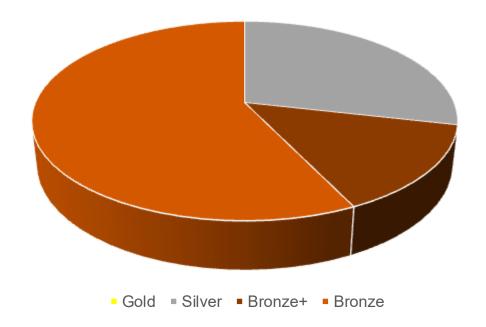


- Mexico's website receives the highest number of visits of all GT websites in Central and South America
- 63,859 website visits in last 6 months, a 2.85% increase on previous period
- Website visitors has continued to grow months to around 13,000 visits per month



South & Central America CMS tier breakdown

- 0 Gold Websites
- 8 Silver
- 4 Bronze+
- 16 Bronze





South & Central America CMS tier breakdown

Silver	Bronze+	Bronze	Bronze cont.
Argentina	Antigua	Barbados	Guatemala
Brazil	St. Kitts	Bolivia	Honduras
Cayman Islands	Venezuela	BVI	Jamaica
Colombia	Costa Rica	Chile	Nicaragua
Dutch Caribbean		Dominican Rep.	Panama
Mexico		Ecuador	Paraguay
Puerto Rico		El Salvador	Peru
Trinidad & Tobago			St. Lucia



Digital - social media

The global picture



380 official accounts



747 average posts / week



1,053,156 followers



121 official accounts 708,930 followers



121 official accounts 222,263 followers



74 official accounts 101,879 followers



64 official accounts 20,084 followers



Silver CMS tier – social media outlook

Member firm	Linkedin followers	Posting	Page on brand (logo, name, bio)	Content on brand (using new templates)
Argentina	6,139	Daily	Yes	Yes
Brazil	38,612	Daily	Yes	No
Cayman Islands	730	Daily	Yes	No
Colombia	831	Daily	Yes	No
Dutch Caribbean	592	Daily	Yes	No
Mexico	6,972	Daily	Yes (not name)	No
Puerto Rico	1,570	Twice per week	Yes (not name)	No
Trinidad & Tobago	244	Once per month	No	No

^{*} There are 89,000,000 active LinkedIn members in Latin America



Grant Thornton in the community

CSR day in **LATAM**





Nicaragua





Uruguay Colombia



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Argentina





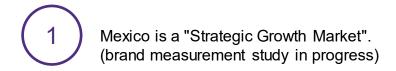


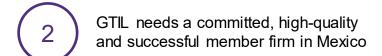
Brazil



Salles Sainz Grant Thornton...

why is it important to GTIL?





Transformational changes present new opportunities for collaboration and innovation



¡Gracias!

Preguntas

