Sergio Sanchez is the Chief Executive of the Clean Air Institute, which represents communities and assists governments across Latin America to mitigate the effects of human activities on the environment. Sergio has 20 years of experience in designing and executing environmental policies and programs at the local, national and international level, mainly in the field of air quality management, and served as Director General of Mexico's Federal Air Quality Program and head of the Mexico City's Environmental Projects. The CAI has Observer status on the Clean Technology Fund, where it represents the interests of constituencies in the region, and brings its expertise to the Committee meetings. Sanchez believes that stakeholder engagement is perhaps the most critical role of Observers. "We became a CIF observer precisely because we are very focused on engaging our different stakeholders," he says. "We help them to understand better the different funding alternatives available to them, but also to help them have a voice with the CIFs. We have seen that many times the CSOs that can play a role don’t have the necessary information, and that their interests are not well reflected because of this."