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LOCAL COMPANY SHOWCASED IN HARVAD BUSINESS SCHOOL

PACIV become the first Puerto Rican company to be studied and reviewed by Harvard Business School as a case study.

For the first time in Puerto Rican business history, a local company has been selected as a case study by Harvard University to be included in its prestigious Harvard Business School curriculum. The ten-year history of PACIV, a Puerto Rican company dedicated to offer services in the area of process automation, control systems, instrumentation, commissioning and qualification and computer system validation to the life science industry (pharmaceutical, biotechnology and medical devices), was presented to master degree students of "International Entrepreneurship", a course taught by Dr. Daniel Isenberg, senior professor of Harvard Business School, and expert in International Business and Organization Management. Isenberg was also responsible for studying, analyzing and writing the case study.

"I chose PACIV since it demonstrates clearly how a businessman's vision can overcome obstacles in starting a new company and become successful in large, competitive foreign markets, at the same time it illustrates how a company is able to provide an excellent customer services to clients in countries and continents abroad", said Dr. Isenberg in regard to the reason upon selecting PACIV.

"I believe this case is interesting, and even surprising for the students. I would like to focus the discussion on the opportunities that exist in other countries, coming from relatively small companies with limited resources. I also think the PACIV case will be an inspiration for students from small countries and how they can become successful in top markets", added Isenberg.

Jorge L. Rodriguez president, founder and CEO of PACIV, said: "We feel extremely proud to represent Puerto Rico in this initiative and to serve as role models for future aspiring businessmen and women. The fact that a Puerto Rican company becomes part of the curriculum of a university of such caliber as Harvard, is proof that Puerto Rico has the human and intellectual talent to cross borders, export that talent and position our country in a more competitive way in the global market."



The International Entrepreneurship course is offered to master degree students in their second year of Business School and its objective is to develop more international businessmen and women so one day they can establish their own companies in an International Level. The course studies the differences and similarities of abroad companies outside the United States and how to identify inherently global opportunities in the field of Entrepreneurship. Besides Puerto Rico, the course will also focus on cases from other countries, such as: India, China, Norway, Brazil, Turkey and Japan.

PACIV was established in 1997 and is dedicated to the automation control and instrumentation processes, as well as commission, qualification, and validation of computerized systems for the life sciences industries. PACIV provides services to clients in Puerto Rico and the United States. At the beginning of last year, it established permanent operations in Fleet, Hampshire, England, servicing clients in Ireland, Great Britain, and other regions of the European continent. PACIV has over 100 employees in Puerto Rico, United States and Europe. It has been selected as one of the Best 20 Employers in Puerto Rico and it is the first and only Puerto Rican company to be recognized with the prestigious "Global Supplier of the Year" award granted by Eli Lilly & Company.

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