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Born in Lima Perú in 1959, Jose studied law at the Universidad Católica del Perú and graduated in 1984. With post graduate studies in Human Rights and Development (Institute of Social Studies, The Hague, Netherlands) and Criminal Law (Universidad de Salamanca, Spain), he joined the Lima Bar Association in 1993 and founded Benites, Mercado & Ugaz Law Firm (now Benites, Vargas & Ugaz).

External consultant to Dutch organizations HIVOS and NOVIB for human rights assessment missions in Costa Rica and Sri Lanka (1990–1991). In 1992, he joined the UN Peacekeeping Mission for El Salvador (ONUSAL) as Human Rights Official and in 1993 was member of the UN Election Observers Mission for El Salvador.

Professor of criminal law at the Law School of the Universidad Católica del Perú and member of the board of the Law School (periods 1995-2001 and 2008-2014).

Jose has been ranked first in “The Most Outstanding Lawyer in Peru” of the Survey of Power conducted by Semana Económica in year 2002.

He was appointed as Ad-Hoc Sate Attorney of the Republic of Peru in several corruption cases in Peru and in Fujimori–Montesinos case (2000-2002) he organized an office with 3 deputy State Attorneys, a Financial Intelligence Unit and a team of 25 people. During Ugaz administration, more than 200 judiciales cases were opened against more than 1500 members of the Fujimori’s network, Montesinos was captured in Venezuela in coordination with the FBI, as well as other 120 members of the organization including the former Attorney General, President of Congress, Supreme Court Justices, Electoral Magistrates, Broadcasters and 14 Generals of the Armed Forces and Police. During his mandate, US\$205 million dollars were frozen abroad and US\$150 million recovered from USA, Switzerland, Grand Cayman and Peru.

In 2004 he was elected as Peruvian Eisenhower Fellow for the Multi-National Program (U.S.A.) and later that year, joined the Institutional Integrity Office of the World Bank (2004-2006). Member of the group of experts for the "Second Session of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Negotiation of a United Nations Convention against Corruption" (2002).

In 2002 he was appointed President of PROETICA, the Peruvian chapter of Transparency International. Elected as individual member of the Transparency International Board of Directors (Berlin) and Chair for the Board of Directors of Transparency International (October 2014 to 2017). Currently is member of the Interim Board of Directors of Asociación Transparencia e Integridad (Brasil), member of the Board of Directors of TI-Ukraine and Chair of the Board of Directors of Proética, Peruvian Chapter of Transparency International (Peru).

He is also member of Advisory Committee Aperio Intelligence Limited (United Kingdom), Chair of the International Committee for the Review of the Report under the United Convention against Corruption (Taiwan), member of the Accountability Panel of Wildlife Justice Commission (The Netherlands) and member of the Board of Integrity Initiatives International (U.S.A.).

Author of “Caiga quien Caiga”, chronicle of the experiences at the Special State Attorney office of the Fujimori and Montesinos case.