

RENAP SIBIO — Guatemala's Biometric ID Backbone, Re-Procured Amid Vendor Conflict-of-Interest Concerns

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Quality score: 33/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

Summary

Guatemala's national registry re-let its biometric identity contract in 2026 to a firm with almost no prior large-scale experience and undisclosed ties to a previously cancelled, security-flagged biometric deal, per investigative reporting.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured public value	1/3
Transparency, fairness & accountability	0/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	1/3
Scalability beyond pilot	3/3
Governance, capability & sustainability	0/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-09-06

[RENAP \(Registro Nacional de las Personas\)](#) — accessed 2026-09-06

[RENAP system overview](#) — accessed 2026-09-06

[RENAP operating report](#) — accessed 2026-09-06

[La Hora investigation](#) — accessed 2026-09-06

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