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## Bolivia

## Strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, treats

STRENGTHS	The citizen movement that overthrew the government of Evo Morales remains firm and appreciative of the freedom of expression that has been regained, even while tolerating the subsistence of media outlets created by <i>Chavismo</i> and the regime of Iran, because the principle of freedom gives them strength.
WEAKNESSES	The defeat of Morales left intact the media established with the support of his administration and his partners from abroad. These outlets, hiding behind freedom of expression, plot against democracy and promote the return of Morales to power.
OPPORTUNITIES	Since the change in government, media outlets – especially digital – that strengthen democracy have been launched. Meanwhile, mainstream media, some of which had been subject to pressure, are creating websites to expand their information offer.
THREATS	The main threat to freedom of expression is the return of authoritarian practices from the past administration, supported by an electoral system full of irregularities planted by the ousted regime and funds from drug trafficking.

