Candidates in Ecuador's presidential race

Rafael Correa, the left-wing economist who has promised to renegotiate Ecuador's foreign debt, and rewrite oil contracts with foreign companies, is leading the polls ahead of Sunday's presidential election. The Andean nation is the second largest Latin American supplier of crude to the U.S.



Rafael Correa:
Leftist Alianza
Pais. Age 43.
U.S.-educated
economist. Briefly
served as Minister
of Economy. Would
hold referendum to
rewrite constitution.
Opposes free-trade

deal with U.S. Oil revenues to be spent on health and education and to cut nation's 70% poverty rate

Alvaro Noboa:
Institutional
Renewal Party of
National Action
(PRIAN). Age 55,
Ecuador's
wealthiest man. In
1994 he inherited a
business empire
from his father.

banana magnate Luis Noboa. Educated as a lawyer, Noboa has twice before been defeated in presidential runoffs



Leon Roldos: Ethical and Democratic Network (RED). Age 64. Academic, former vice president and former legal adviser to country's banks. Considered a

moderate, pragmatic leftist with reputation for honesty. Most of his support comes from people over 50

Cynthia Viteri:
Social Christian
Party (PSC).
Age 40. Right-wing
lawyer, former TV
reporter. A two-time
congresswoman,
she is strongly
pro-business,
advocating



free-trade pact with Washington. She is backed by powerful former President Leon Febres Cordero

Cedatos/Gallup poll of 3,684 Ecuadorian adults, conducted on Oct 9. Margin of error: ±3%
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