

# ANNUAL REPORT SPDA 2019



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## Presentation

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During 2019 there were many advances regarding SPDA's mission towards a sustainable planet. In this new Annual Report, you will find many activities in which we were involved as an organization towards this goal.

These include consolidation of protected areas and indigenous rights, promotion and enhancement of marine, forests and water resources, strengthening capacities for public environmental management, and supporting development of environmentally responsible citizens, through information and active and engagement.

At a more internal level, 2019 was the year in which SPDA approved its Institutional Strategic Plan 2019 - 2024. We were able to purchase our institutional home –“The SPDA House”– which we hope will further consolidate itself as a learning and meeting center for the environmental community in our country. In 2019 a new Executive Director was elected as part of the governance process that guides the organization. Since January 2020, our new Executive Director is Isabel Calle, who has worked at SPDA for more than 20 years. Personally, I am leaving my post after eight years that will forever remain in my heart.

It has been a great honor to lead the organization where I was trained since a young age and where we supported many transformative initiatives.

While writing these lines, the world is in the midst of a pandemic that has required the majority of countries to establish home quarantines, severely conditioning the world, from what it was. Some say this is an opportunity for the planet while others say it is the greatest threat. The weak economy following the pandemic will bring without a doubt a great deal of pressure on ecosystems, resources and vulnerable populations. There will be the temptation to ignore and ease hard-fought environmental standards. The challenge for SPDA will always be to promote sustainability, balance and development, based on information, dialogue, understanding and respect.

My endless gratitude to each person in the institution, from the Board of Directors, to Program Directors and staff members in each of our three offices and support personnel. My thanks to partners of the public sector, cooperation agencies and civil society. The construction of major changes requires great partners and without a doubt sustainable Peru has a great team of which we feel a part. The dreams we dreamt together are a reality.

Sincerely,

**Pedro Solano**

Executive Director\*

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1. <https://spda.org.pe/quienes-somos/plan-estrategico>

(\*) Pedro Solano has served as the Executive Director of SPDA until December 2019. In January 2020 Isabel Calle took office.

# OPEN LETTER

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The work of the Peruvian Society for Environmental Law (SPDA), throughout 34 years since its foundation, has relied on its history and people who have contributed to promoting policies and environmental legislation and the design and implementation of instruments to encourage sustainable development.

As an organization we have a social responsibility that transcends individuals and seeks to elevate the collective and common good.

SPDA has the challenge and obligation to constantly reinvent and adapt itself to changing situations and contexts. Our work cannot remain indifferent to social needs and different realities.

From our experience we seek to generate positive milestones in public agendas, ask uncomfortable questions and help answer them in a purposeful and constructive manner. We are convinced that actors need to address social problems in a cooperative way.

We are also convinced that our territories, ecosystems, natural resources and populations can't wait. There is a sense of urgency that should motivate us towards immediate and well thought out actions.

The environment is essential in public policy, in State decisions, in corporative management and in mitigating conflicts.

For these reasons, I accept the role of Executive Director of SPDA with respect, conviction and a commitment, to advancing with pending environmental challenges in the country together with a team full of values and capabilities.

SPDA is about its history, but also its present and I can proudly say that today, looking towards the future, we are committed to our country and our planet more than ever.

**Isabel Calle**  
Executive Director

# SOME NUMBERS OF 2019

**+1100** people trained, including authorities, experts, students and personnel from different institutions.

**57** courses, workshops, presentations and discussions conducted at national and international levels.

**+800** website publications.

**17** existing agreements.

**18** publications.

**+4000** volunteers signed up to various initiatives of "We Conserve for Nature", with people also participating in their events.

**63** people working at SPDA, 38 women and 25 men.

**410** interventions and instances of legal advice for citizens and authorities in defense of the environment.

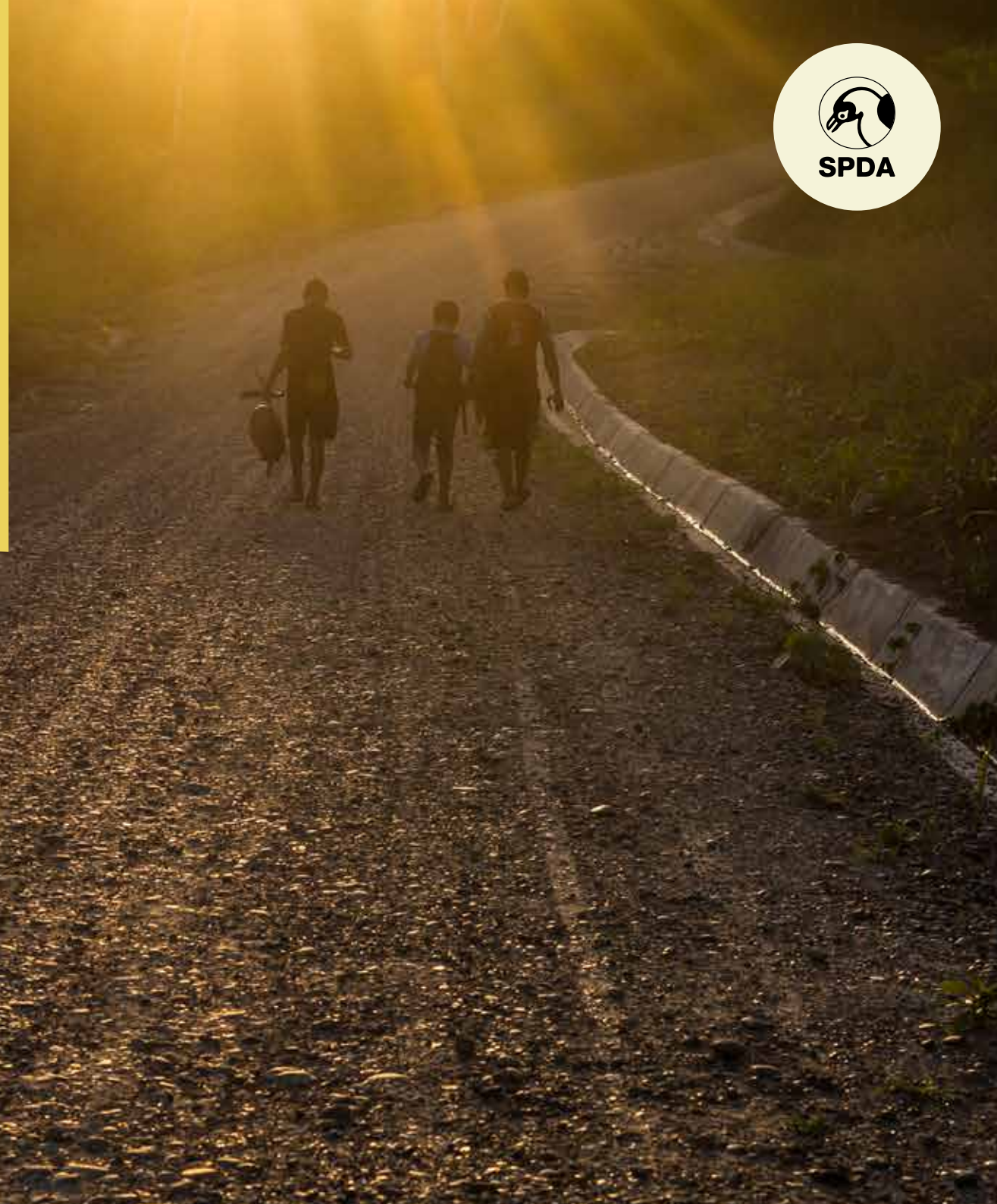
**27** projects implemented.

**11** legal opinions and regulatory proposals developed.

**+2.7** million visits on our web platforms Actualidad Ambiental and We Conserve for/by Nature.

# OUR WORK

## KEY ACHIEVEMENTS



# Indigenous Peoples and Territories



**We want to consolidate the sustainable management of territories and natural resources, recognizing ancestral knowledge and strengthening legal protection of indigenous peoples.**

## FACT

During 2019 we have successfully achieved legal certainty through the **legal protection of 3.3 million hectares** of indigenous territories at the national level.

# Indigenous peoples and territories



During 2019 we contributed to the legal protection of over 2.4 million hectares of territories of Indigenous Peoples in Isolation and Initial Contact and about 907,000 hectares of territories of 75 native communities in the Loreto and Madre de Dios regions.

On August 9th, International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples, the Ministry of Culture published a Regulation on Administrative Sanction procedures for non-compliance of provisions under Law No. 28736, for the protection of Indigenous Peoples in Isolation and Initial Contact. This regulation was developed with participation of indigenous peoples. It allows the Ministry of Culture (MINCUL) to sanction and supervise risks affecting this highly vulnerable population.

Property titles were officially granted to 66 native communities of Alto Amazonas provinces, Datem del Marañón, Loreto, Maynas, Putumayo, Requena and Ucayali in the Loreto region. This event took place on May 28th, 2019, and was led by Martín Vizcarra, President of the Republic, benefitting 8,003 people from 21 ethnolinguistic groups, ensuring protection of 657,921 hectares of forests. It is to be noted that 21 native communities of this group obtained their titles as a result of work undertaken by AIDSEP, DISAFILPA, DIGESPACR and SPDA.

SPDA promoted and supported the registration of the first three indigenous reserves established in favor of Indigenous Peoples in Isolation and Initial Contact, under a “Preventive Annotation” in the national register. This registration grants the Isconahua, Mashco Piro and Murunahua indigenous reserves, legal protection and certainty by providing publicity in the face of third parties interests.

Institutional capacities of various government entities such as the Ministry of Culture, Ministry of Agriculture, Loreto Regional Government and Madre de Dios Regional Government has been strengthened, through secondment of professional engineers, communicators, lawyers and anthropologists.

Work was undertaken with the Native Federation of Madre de Dios River and Tributaries to submit a claim before the Body for Environmental Compliance of the United States-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement against Law 30723 that promotes the construction of roads in the boundaries of Ucayali, compromising six Indigenous Peoples in Isolation and Initial Contact, natural protected areas and territories. The claim was admitted and has become the first procedure of its type in Peru.



# NUMBERS

75

legal certainty was provided to native communities of Loreto and Madre de Dios regarding their lands and territories.

+300

officials, experts, professionals and members of civil society were trained in biodiversity conservation, natural protected areas, indigenous peoples, financing and investments.

3

Registration of the first 3 indigenous reserves established in favor of Indigenous Peoples in Isolation and Initial Contact.

+30

articles and interviews published on the site of [ActualidadAmbiental.pe](http://ActualidadAmbiental.pe) about the situation of the collective rights of Indigenous Peoples in Peru.

# Infrastructure and Environment



**We seek to increase the standards of social and environmental assessment for productive and extractive investment projects and infrastructure in the Amazon.**

## FACT

We started **3 legal actions** against the development of informal infrastructure in the Amazon that has led to official inquiries by competent bodies (Ministry of Transport and Communications, Ministry of Environment, SERFOR, Regional Government).



# Infrastructure and environment

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We strengthened the capacities of more than 200 people including authorities and citizens.

Several actions at different levels have allowed us to position SPDA as part of environmental and social management dynamics of infrastructure projects, particularly in the Loreto region.

Three legal actions against the construction of informal infrastructure in the Amazon, have led to inquiries and investigations by competent bodies (Ministry of Transport and Communications, Ministry of Environment, SERFOR, Regional Government).

We conducted 7 investigative reports on the progress of informal infrastructure in Loreto.



# NUMBERS



**6** institutional alliances with public and private entities.

**3** legal actions initiated regarding highway infrastructure projects.

**+200**

people trained among officials and citizens through specialization programs and capacity building workshops.

**5** information flyers on infrastructure projects and 1 manual on deforestation authorizations.

**39** publications on social networks and regional media, reaching more than 302,572 people at the national, regional and local levels.

***First edition of SPDA sessions***

on highways and the environment, through an innovative format to encourage participation and the generation of proposals regarding sustainable infrastructure in Loreto.

**5** spokespersons in the region strategically positioned, allowing them to successfully exercise their rights.

# Environmental Democracy

During 2019 we positioned on the public agenda the need for the Peruvian Government to ratify the Escazú Agreement to ensure rights to access; as well as contributed in the implementation of conditions to improve actions by justice operators on environmental issues in Loreto.

## FACT

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# NUMBERS



Generation of

**2** dissemination materials on access rights (Escazú Agreement).

**Strategic alliance** with the Ministry of Environment and civil society organizations to promote the Escazú Agreement.

**1** call for action on environmental democracy.

# Natural Heritage and Biodiversity

**We seek the effective management of and participation in protected areas governance, protecting them from threats and promoting their financial sustainability.**

## FACT

During 2019 we contributed with the establishment of three regional conservation areas and strengthened the financial sustainability of two Management Committees: Tambopata and Pacaya Samiria.

# Natural heritage and biodiversity



Through technical-legal assistance provided by SPDA to partner organizations of civil society, a new Regional Conservation Areas, Ausangate (Cusco), Chaupe-Cunía-Chinchiquilla (Cajamarca) and Bosque de Carpish (Huánuco) were established.

We were able to create legal conditions for the Patronage of the Management Committee of National Reserve Pacaya Samiria to become a recipient of tax free donations.

The #TambopataLibre campaign was launched allowing funds to be raised for the Management Committee of the National Tambopata Reserve. The campaign included a media campaign, strategic alliances with companies using billboard panels, and Alianza Lima Football Club. The campaign was granted the National Environmental Award by the Ministry of the Environment.

With legal and technical support from SPDA, through Supreme Decree 003-2019-MINAM, the Executive Branch declared of national interest an initiative for financial sustainability for natural protected areas of the National System of Natural Areas Protected by the State (SINANPE) which was called: "Heritage of Peru".

As part of its history of support, SPDA contributed with comments to a draft

Supreme Decree approving the Regulation on Access to Genetic Resources and their Derivatives and providing continued support and technical-legal advice to the National Commission against Biopiracy led by INDECOPI.

We have continued working to improve the situation of environmental defenders. We supported and promoted Ministerial Resolution No. 0159-2019-JUS that approves the "Protocol to guarantee the protection of human rights of environmental defenders"; we also contributed with the implementation of a register for complaints and incidents, that ensures that identities of Environmental Defenders are protected; and we also participated in drafting the official annual report on Environmental Defenders by the Ministry of Justice and Human Rights.

During the 2019 United Nations Forum on Business and Human Rights, SPDA participated in a plenary session where advances regarding protection mechanisms for environmental and human rights defenders in Latin America were analyzed.

Gradual institutional strengths have been built into several government entities, including the Ministry of Environment, SERNANP and Loreto Regional Government, through professional secondments and experts in biology, law, engineering and communications.



# NUMBERS

+300

officials, experts, professionals and members of civil society were trained in biodiversity conservation, natural protected areas, indigenous peoples, financing and investments.

+10

publications on biodiversity conservation, natural protected areas, agrobiodiversity, financing, investments, economic development and energy were produced.

+139

new hectares conserved with the legal support of SPDA.

**The book “Defensores Ambientales” was published:** including stories of our struggles in Madre de Dios, narrating the history of 5 members of the Management Committee of the Tambopata National Reserve. This book received the 2019 PODER Award for Think Tanks.

# Forest Governance

We seek to strengthen management of forest heritage and wildlife in favor of a diversity of actors and consolidate public policies and forest and wildlife institutional structures. We hope this is achieved on the basis of informed and responsible dialogue, making use of innovative governance opportunities as well as recognizing knowledge and experiences of forest users.

## FACT

We implemented a local pilot system to control and monitor chestnut concessions in more than 40,000 hectares in Madre de Dios.

# Forest Governance



With the active leadership of SPDA's office in Madre de Dios, we implemented a local pilot system to control and monitor chestnut concessions in more than 40,000 hectares, generating around 20 administrative complaints and/or tax evasion inquiries that were duly processed with support of SPDA's Pro Bono Legal Clinic.

We advocated for a public conversation regarding development and implementation of legal frameworks pertaining to deforestation, mainly as a result of highway infrastructure projects. SPDA published guide in this regard and contributed to SERFOR's efforts to create formal guidelines.

The strategic alliance with the United States Forest Service and USAID in Peru (Forest Program) was strengthened, to work on regulatory areas and the strengthening of concession systems for timber purposes, mainly in the department of Madre de Dios.

In the context of joint actions with the Forest Program, legal support was provided for the elaboration of an annotated Forest and Wildlife Law (LFFS) and a printed version designed jointly with SPDA's Forest Program and SERFOR.

We participated in international discussions on forests, environmental legislation and natural resources.

A line of work on forests, agriculture and climate change was developed, with an emphasis on agroforestry systems and small-scale family agriculture.



# NUMBERS

4

opinions on draft legal projects on forestry and wildlife.

9

training courses for chestnut growers for the adequate management of their concessions, under the framework of the PROFONANPE Project.

3

legal proposals directed to strengthening the holders of chestnut concessions in their management of the concession areas.

# Environmental Justice

**We seek for access to timely, efficient and effective access to justice. For this purpose we empowered citizens, making sure everyone can exercise their rights. Additionally, we strengthened the capacities of justice operators.**

## FACT

We were convened as expert consultants in the most important case of timber trafficking and transformation in the country: the process against administrators and workers of the Cacao del Perú Norte S.A.C Company (now Tamshi S.A.C.).



# Environmental Justice



We contributed designing and implementing the Madre de Dios Pact for Environmental Justice, under leadership of the National Commission for Environmental Management of the Judicial Branch.

SPDA supported the National Commission for Environmental Management of the Judicial Branch in organizing the III International Congress on Environmental Justice that took place in San Martín. Additionally, we conducted different events during the III Congress on Protected Areas in Latin America and the Caribbean.

We participated in important events linked to access to environmental justice, such as the I Regional Congress of Legal Clinics, organized by the Pontific Catholic University of Peru and the Forum “Organized Crime: proposals and solutions towards a safer Peru”, organized by the Ministry of the Interior.

Likewise, SPDA participated actively in the design and elaboration process of a Rapid Reference Guide for the investigation of forest related violations,

under the framework of the Table for Forest Violations promoted by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and formed by different justice system operators, administrative authorities, international cooperation and civil society.

We maintained the sponsorship and legal advice to the Pro Bono Legal Clinics of Lima, Madre de Dios and Loreto.

In the process against the Cacao del Perú Norte S.A.C. Company (now Tamshi S.A.C.) we participated as expert consultants, to clarify a series of aspects related to forest legislation applicable to the events under investigation. Subsequently, in July 2019, the Judicial Branch issued a first judgment for the illicit trafficking of forest timber products obtained from the illegal logging of forest coverage of 1,946.21 hectares from the primary forest in Fundo Tamshiyacu. Among other things, the sentence ordered civil reparation in the amount of more than 15 million soles (approximately US \$ 5 million).



# NUMBERS

82

cases sponsored by the Pro Bono Legal Clinics in Madre de Dios and Loreto.

123

consultations responded during the year for users of SPDA's Pro Bono Legal Clinics in Madre de Dios and Loreto.

18

training workshops reaching 305 people in Iquitos (Loreto) and Puerto Maldonado (Madre de Dios).

5

workshops conducted at the III Congress on Environmental Justice, where 35 judges were trained. Additionally, a keynote speech delivered to all participants.

# Marine Governance



**The Marine Governance initiative seeks to improve management of fisheries and conservation of coastal-marine ecosystems, through legal and policy reforms; improve access to environmental justice; empower citizens; and strengthen the capacities of artisanal fishers and Government institutions for the effective management of marine resources.**

## FACT

We launched the Wikipesca web platform, which analyzes and proposes improvements for legal and institutional framework of fisheries management in our country and is applied as a collaboration tool for scientific experts and public officials.

# Marine Governance

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SPDA organized the first Specialization Course on Fisheries Law conducted in alliance with the Lima Lawyers Bar.

Approval for the Exploratory Fishing of the Merluza resource. This norm will support the possibility of artisanal vessels to fish merluza.

Prepublication of the proposal for a Regulation on Fisheries Planning for benthic invertebrates.

Publication of a Supreme Decree that provides guidelines for whale watching.

The Wikipesca web platform was launched, which analyzes and proposes improvements for the legal and institutional framework of fisheries management in our country and is positioned as a collaboration tool for scientific experts and public officials.



# NUMBERS

53

people participated in the Specialization Course on Fisheries Law, among university graduates and experts from institutions and civil organizations.

3

cases assisted by the Pro Bono Legal Clinic in Piura, related to administrative and criminal matters.

4

meetings and roundtables: presentation of the study on Social Organization of Artisanal Fishermen and socialization of the legal norm on the merluza fishery, both with the presence of El Ñuro, Los Órganos and Cabo Blanco fishers; roundtable on the Regulation on Fisheries Planning for benthic invertebrates, with the main fishery federations, Ministry of Production (PRODUCE) officials, civil and academic organizations; meeting with the Vice Minister of Fisheries on trawl fishing in La Isleta, Cabo Blanco, El Ñuro and Los Órganos.

186

cases were addressed by SPDA seconded collaborators at the Regional Production Directorate of Piura.

10

sessions with the Policy Group, including the participation of 10 national and international civil society organizations.

3

scientific research undertaken in alliance with ProDelphinus (disembarkation of minimum sizes at seaports and sport fishing) and SP Networks (artisanal fisher organizations).

# Water Governance

**We contributed to the creation of enabling conditions and an institutional setting for water security in the country, as well as energizing investments for the conservation, protection and maintenance of natural infrastructure.**

## FACT

In 2019 we received the PODER Award for Think Tanks for the best investigation regarding sustainable development, for analysis about Water Resource Councils for Watersheds and participation of user populations.



# Water Governance

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During 2019 SPDA continued to strengthen the integrated management of water resources for water security, promoting and disseminating proposals and tools that contributed to consolidating the approach of solutions based on nature among 300 authorities and community representatives involved in the country's water management.

We initiated legal actions to defend strategic ecosystems for water conservation and initiated legal actions of public interest in order to ensure prompt and effective attention when ecosystems are being affected.

Additionally, we created awareness spaces for communicators and journalists on issues linked to water management and disaster risk management.

We launched the I National Forum on Natural Infrastructure, with the collaboration of key authorities in water governance.

The PODER Award for Think Tanks for the best investigation regarding sustainable development, for analysis about Water Resource Councils for Watersheds and participation of user populations.



# NUMBERS



**+300**

people were trained in natural infrastructure, water security and current problems regarding watershed conservation.

**1**

legal proposal to protect and defend wetlands.

**1**

legal action formulated for the defense of wetlands.

# INFORMED CITIZENS



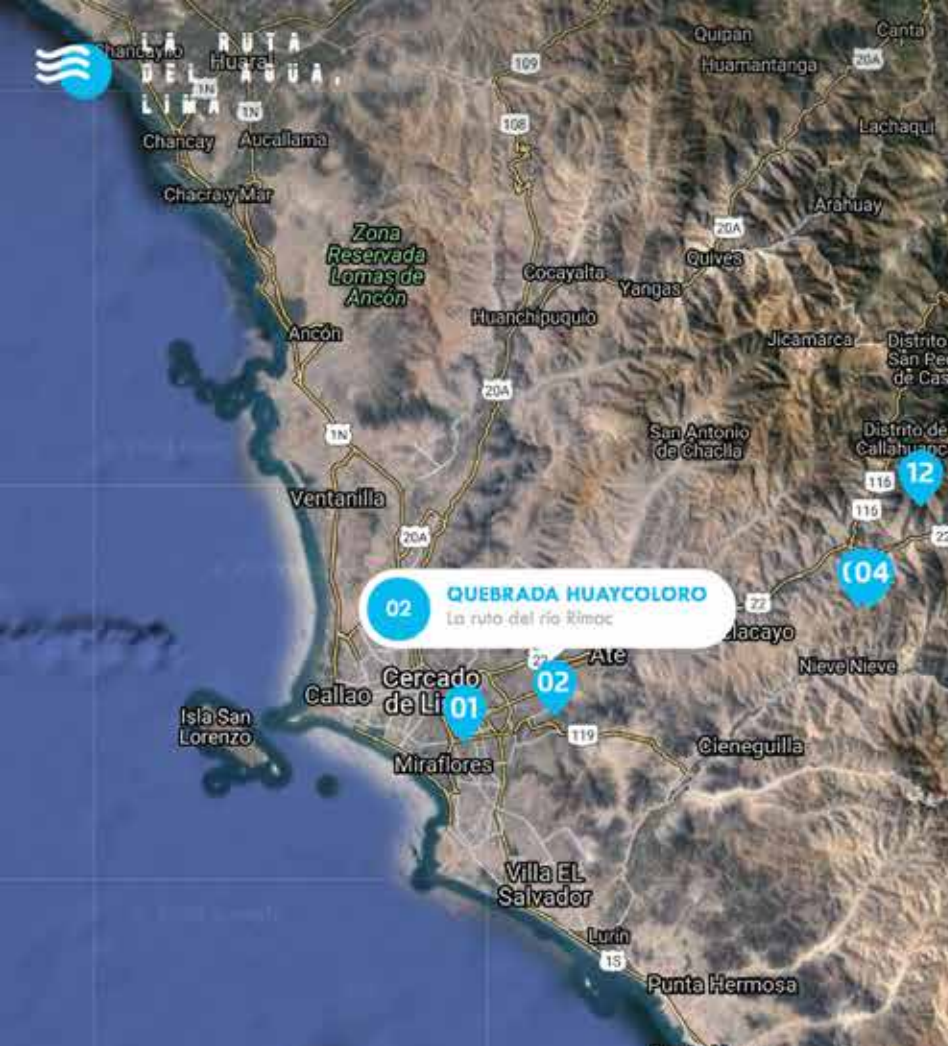


# MEDIA

Actualidad Ambiental and  
Conservamos por Naturaleza

- **+800 briefings published**
- **+2.7 million visits to our two platforms**
- **42 videos on all our YouTube channels**
- **2 multimedia specials**
- **+40 opinion columns**
- **+120 media appearances**
- **+154,000 Facebook followers**
- **+31,000 Twitter followers**
- **+7000 on Instragram**
- **+35 journalists trained** throughout the country in environmental journalism and natural infrastructure.





## Multimedia Specials

- **La ruta del agua, Lima**  
[www.actualidadambiental.pe/larutadelagua](http://www.actualidadambiental.pe/larutadelagua)
- **El camino hacia el oro responsable**  
[www.actualidadambiental.pe/ororesponsable](http://www.actualidadambiental.pe/ororesponsable)

## Web Sites

- **SPDA** - [www.spda.org.pe](http://www.spda.org.pe)
- **Actualidad Ambiental** - [www.actualidadambiental.pe](http://www.actualidadambiental.pe)
- **Conservamos por Naturaleza** - [www.conservamospornaturaleza.org](http://www.conservamospornaturaleza.org)
- **Wikipesca** - [www.mardelperu.pe](http://www.mardelperu.pe)
- **Hazla por tu ola** - [hazlaportuola.pe](http://hazlaportuola.pe)
- **Legislación Ambiental** - [www.legislacionambientalspda.org.pe](http://www.legislacionambientalspda.org.pe)



## The Tambopatas

On June 5th, SPDA launched the campaign #TambopataLibre, aimed towards raising funds for the Management Committee for the Tambopata National Reserve, known as “The Tambopatas”, and thereby support them in their fight against illegal mining that threatens the buffer zone of this important protected area. In only a few months through social networks and merchandise sales, the campaign managed to extend its message at the national level, reach the national media and generate alliances that allowed us to be recognized as the main Environmental Communication Campaign by the Ministry of Environment.

### **+ 30 000 dollars raised**

Key alliances with Gastón Acurio, Club Alianza Lima and Jockey Plaza

### **+ 60 000 dollars from free press and free publicity**

Winners of the National Environmental Award of the Ministry of Environment



## SPDA at CAPLAC

The III Congress of Protected Areas of Latin America (CAPLAC, in Spanish) organized by the International Union for Conservation of Nature in October 2019 in the city of Lima, convened representatives of more than 38 countries and around 2500 experts on environmental, conservation and indigenous peoples issues.

SPDA organized 10 events on diverse issues such as environmental defenders, sustainable infrastructure, indigenous peoples, and financial sustainability for conservation, private conservation, and environmental justice, among others.

## 2019 Hackathon for the Amazon

With the objective of promoting technological solutions to face the diverse challenges in the Peruvian Amazon, we organized the 2019 Hackathon for the Amazon, a technological development marathon that took place at Universidad de Ingeniería y Tecnología (UTEC).

At the 2019 Hackathon for the Amazon close to 20 groups took part, each one made up of 5 people. Four groups were selected to work at the National Final in Iquitos.

Highlighted among the winning proposals is a system that allows the construction of unauthorized highways in the Amazon to be identified by satellite images and artificial intelligence, and an alert system that reports incidences and can be used via radio communication or text messages in natural protected areas.





### Poder Award to Think Tanks

The Peruvian Society for Environmental Law was presented the Poder Award to Think Tanks 2019 in the category of Sustainable Development, for studies developed concerning Water Resource Councils for Watersheds and the work of environmental defenders in Madre de Dios.

The investigation “Ensure effective inclusion and participation of water resource users in the Water Resource Councils for Watersheds” was undertaken by Carol Mora, a Lawyer from the SPDA Environmental Policy and Governance Program. It focuses on formulating and approving a legal that allows greater representation of the user population in the Water Resource Councils for Watersheds.

Also recognized was the advocacy campaign undertaken in favor of the Management Committee of the Tambopata National Reserve, through the publication of “Environmental Defenders: histories of struggle in Madre de Dios”, by Journalist Jack Lo, who pays tribute to the daily work and dedication in support of sustainable development in the Tambopata National Reserve buffer zone.

### National Environmental Prize

The Ministry of Environment recognized SPDA’s campaign to help “The Tambopatas” as winner of the 2019 Antonio Brack National Environmental Prize in the category of Environmental Knowledge, with a mention in “Environmental Communication Strategy”. The Tambopatas are a group of environmental defenders who fight to protect the Tambopata National Reserve (Madre de Dios) from illegal mining. The initiative promoted by SPDA motivated hundreds of people to collaborate with the Tambopata National Reserve Management Committee, through donations or the purchase of materials.

### Carlos Ponce del Prado Conservation Award

Carolina Butrich has been working at the Peruvian Society for Environmental Law for 5 years and was recognized with the 2019 Carlos Ponce del Prado Conservation Award for leading the “HAZla por tu Ola” wave protection campaign that seeks to legally protect waves in Peru, in the context of Peru’s Wave Protection Law. Peru is the first country in the world with a legal system to protect waves, through their registration in the National Register of Surf Breaks. The initiative has managed to protect 33 waves.

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# LIBRARY

During 2019, the Peruvian Society for Environmental Law Library has **promoted and strengthened the implementation of Environmental Collections** in district and provincial libraries; as well as in libraries of Regional Governments, universities, schools and public libraries.

**Donations of specialized environmental material during the past year amounted to a total of more than 3,000 books**, delivered with the previous commitment of continuity and upgrading in order to maintain sustainability, facilitating the access to environmental information for local and provincial communities.



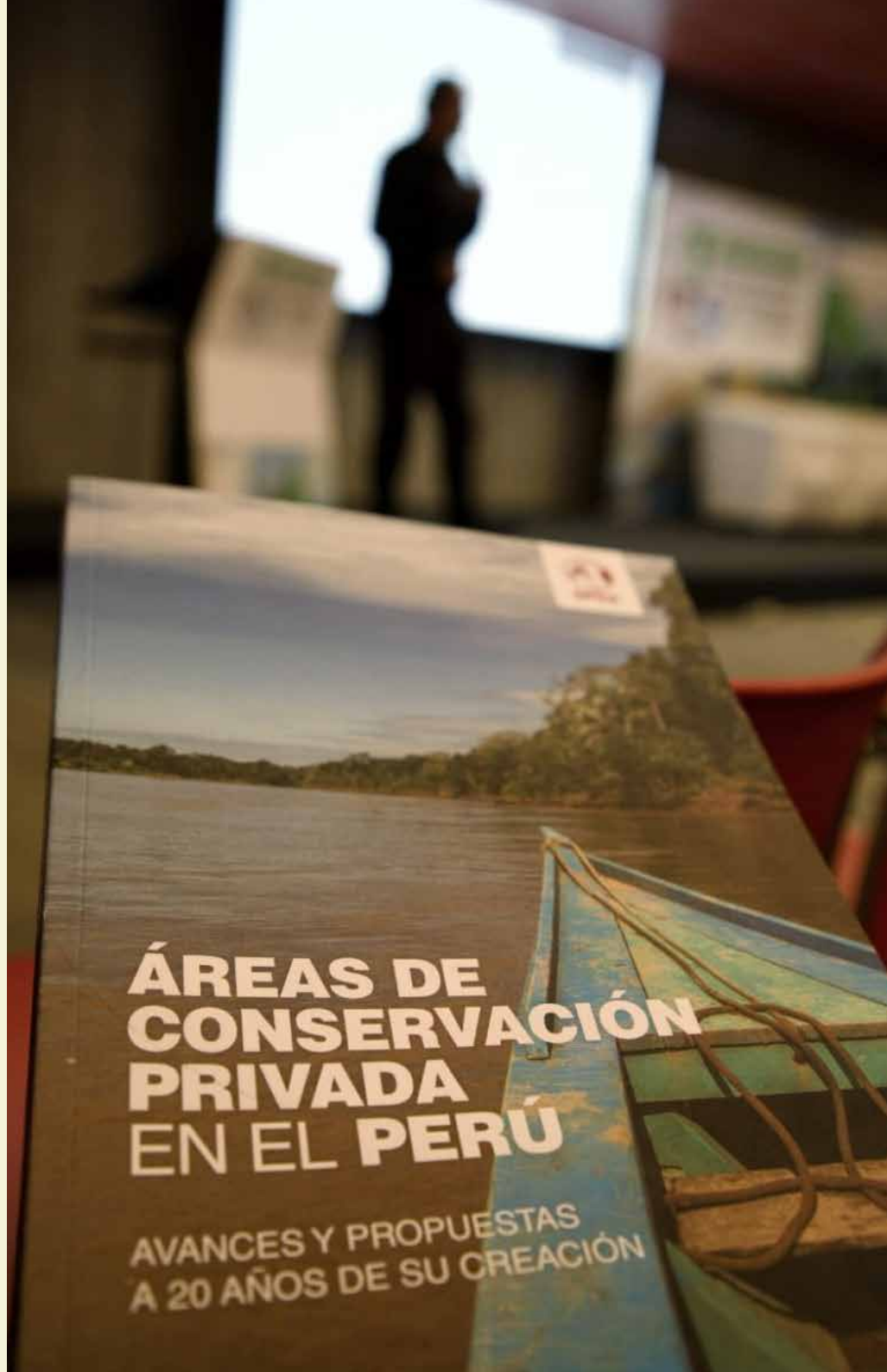


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*We Conserve for Nature supports voluntary conservation initiatives and promotes more sustainable lifestyles, involving citizens and companies in strategic actions for nature conservation.*

- **The documentary A la Mar**, that outlines the history of Do it for your Wave and the Wave Protection Law, earned 5 awards at different film festivals and was projected in 10 countries, generating the interest to replicate the campaign in Chile.
- **We published Do it for your Beach 2013-2019 and Conservation Areas in Peru.** Advances and proposals 20 years from their creation; a document that proposes more than 10 legal recommendations to consolidate the legal framework for voluntary conservation in Peru.
- **The Cocachimba Community Tourism Association and San Pablo (Amazonas) peasant community** approved the implementation of a conservation agreement to protect upland areas of the Gocta Waterfall sub-basin.
- **The land in Leymebamba (Amazonas) where the CxN (Conservamos por Naturaleza) nursery is installed was purchased**, to promote reforestation of native species and agroforestry and silvopasture practices, in alliance with the Association for Children and its Environment (ANIA) and the Palmira Agricultural, Forestry and Tourism Association.

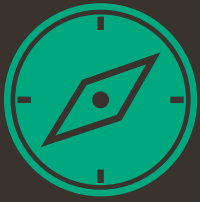




- **The seventh edition of Do it for your Beach collected 20 tons of waste** with the help of 4 thousand volunteers in 139 spaces (beaches, lakes, rivers, wetlands and natural protected areas) in 21 regions, during the first weekend of March.
- **5000 people attended the Festival for We Conserve** that took place in July, in collaboration with the Ministry of Environment and Amazónicos por la Amazonía (AMPA).
- **+2567 trees were adopted through the We Reforest by Nature campaign**, raising S . 64,175 intended for the 6 conservation initiatives we work with.
- **+15 companies teamed up to assign a percentage of their sales to several conservation projects.**
- **520 people attended the Kuyapanakuy film festival** (Parque Reducto and Centro Cultural Ricardo Palma, Miraflores) and the series of lectures Perú Natural (British Cultural Center).
- **6 lectures delivered at the III Congress on Protected Areas in Latin America and the Caribbean (CAPLAC)**, where information was shared on areas under private protection, the legal protection mechanisms for waves and work of We Conserve by Nature and its campaigns.
- **2 technical and legal reports were presented:** light contamination and the situation of reservoirs in the Marañón.



# WHO ARE WE?



# BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Jorge Caillaux  
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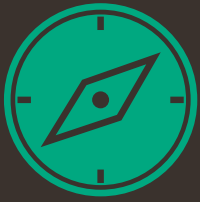
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# GOVERNING BOARD

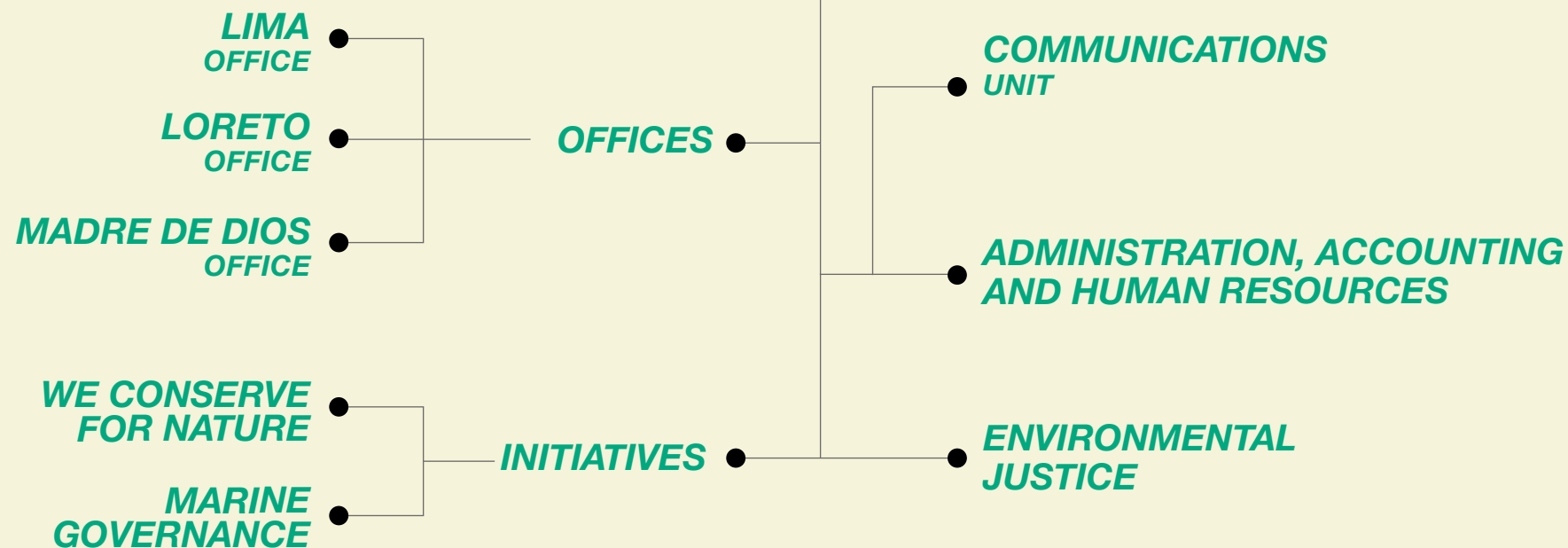
## EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT

### PROGRAMS

- FORESTS AND ECOSYSTEM SERVICES

- ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY AND GOVERNANCE

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# PROJECTS 2019

PARTNERS	PROJECTS	OBJETIVES	PERIOD
<b>AAA-GAIA</b>	Support of the Andes Amazon Atlantic corridor project	Consolidate in the Andes-Amazon Atlantic Corridor ecosystem an eco-cultural mosaic to reestablish and maintain biodiversity, connectivity and Amazon ecosystem services, and safeguard the systems of traditional knowledge and cultural expressions of communities.	January 2018 November 2019
<b>ACCA-Norad</b>	Building capacity for near real-time deforestation monitoring & forestry governance to help achieve REDD+ goals in the peruvian amazon	Incentivize diverse Governments in developing countries to implement measured policies and safeguards related to REDD+, such as policies for green growth, sustainable livelihoods, land use planning, rights of indigenous peoples and local communities and women's rights.	December 2016 December 2020
<b>Andes Amazon Fund</b>	"Peruvian protected areas: building a more favorable environment for securing Peru's biodiversity"	Improve conditions for the establishment of new protected areas, as well as their management and sustainability at the national, regional and local levels.	August 2019 July 2020
<b>Environmental Defense Fund (EDF)</b>	Strengthening the Marine Governance initiative, by hiring an expert on fisheries issues	Strengthen the SPDA Marine Governance initiative by hiring an expert on fisheries.	June 2018 May 2020
<b>Fundación Staehelin</b>	Strengthening conservation initiatives through innovative campaigns involving citizens	Objectives: Protection of the waves at Playa Grande and Bermejo in Ancash, through the Do it for your Wave campaign. Sustainable financing for Amazon private conservation areas.	May 2019 October 2020
<b>Global Green Grants</b>	A documentary and media campaign on the protection of Rivers Marañón, Huallaga, Ucayali and Amazonas	Reach 300 thousand people through a communications campaign, providing information on protecting Rivers Marañón, Huallaga, Ucayali and Amazonas against reservoirs.	June 2019 September 2020

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<b>Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation</b>	A Robust and Enduring Regional Conservation System in Loreto, Peru	Expand the Regional Conservation System of Loreto (RCS) in Peru to 6.9 million hectares through the application of improved and inclusive management tools.	November 2019 February 2022
<b>Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation</b>	Conservation and Consolidation of the Protected Areas and Indigenous Lands Inside the Purus Manu Landscape	Improve the consolidating conditions of six protected areas and indigenous lands in the Alto Purús mosaic (5.8 million hectares).	May 2019 November 2021
<b>Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation</b>	“Establishing Accountability in Infrastructure Investments in the Peruvian Amazon”	Strengthen and upgrade the environmental regulatory framework of the transport and electricity sectors.	November 2018 October 2020
<b>Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation</b>	Legal strategies to protect River Marañón from mega-reservoirs	To 2020, slow down activities of the Chadín II and Veracruz hydroelectric projects with current environmental impact assessment studies (EIA).	April 2019 October 2020
<b>Metabolic Studio y Anneberg Foundation</b>	Indigenous justice and collective rights	Provide legal support to indigenous groups for the defense of their collective rights and respect of their lifestyles from threats the face to their territories.	June 2019 June 2020
<b>Naturaleza y Cultura Internacional (NCI)</b>	Support to the NorAmazonic Alliance	The main objective is to consolidate in the Andes-Amazon Atlantic Corridor ecosystem an eco-cultural mosaic to reestablish and maintain biodiversity, connectivity and Amazon ecosystem services, and safeguard the systems of traditional knowledge and cultural expressions of communities.	January 2018 November 2019
<b>Naturaleza y Cultura Internacional (NCI)</b>	Sub-donation agreement to design a legal strategy that would encourage the Dirección Regional de la Producción Piura (DIREPRO) and Ministry of Production to promote co-management initiatives for artisanal fishing, with the participation of base organizations and local Governments	Design of a legal strategy to promote co-management initiatives for artisanal fishing in Piura, with the participation of base organizations and local and regional authorities.	July 2019 June 2020
<b>Oxfam</b>	Improving forest governance and access to environmental justice in Tamshiyacu	Strengthen the capacities of local actors and their capacity to access effective environmental justice in cases where their rights are being violated. Specifically, provide them with improved tools to better communicate and disseminate the problems they face.	November 2017 February 2019  <b>Renewed:</b> May 2019 March 2020

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<b>Profonanpe</b>	Innovating tourism for the conservation of the Northeast Corridor of Peru through private conservation	Strengthen ecotourism as a source of sustainable income for the private conservation of the Northeast Conservation Corridor, related to Strategic Line 6 of the CEPF.	September 2019 July 2020
<b>Profonanpe</b>	Mitigating deforestation in chestnut concessions in the Madre de Dios region	Consolidate the control and monitoring system in the Alegría sector (41 538.75 hectares of concessions) implemented by virtue of the Cooperation Agreement PRFNP-C-CON-005_2016_CASTAÑAS; and incorporate in training actions and legal counseling (through the SPDA Free Legal Clinic), concessionaries who did not initially participate in the control and monitoring system but have a Conservation Agreement signed with Profonanpe.	August 2018 April 2019
<b>Forest Program</b>	Support to strengthen the legal and institutional framework of timber forest concessions, with an emphasis on Madre de Dios (Tahuamanu) Permanent Production Forest	Strengthen the regulatory and institutional framework linked to the timber forest concessions system at the national level, by improved management of Madre de Dios (Tahuamanu) Permanent Production Forest.	October 2019 September 2020
<b>Forest Program</b>	Support to strengthen the legal and institutional framework regarding forest and concessions and forestry permits in the Departments of Loreto and Ucayali (2018-2019)	Facilitate expert advice in the design and implementation of a legal framework for forest and wildlife management and supervisory authorities, to ensure the forest concessions system and the use of forests by native communities have an adequate regulatory framework. Improve knowledge management regarding legal issues and specific public competences in terms of forest concessions and permits. Additionally, facilitate the development of sustainable forest management activities by strengthening the capacities of public and private actors linked to the management and supervision of licenses.	January 2018 September 2019
<b>Patagonia and Tides</b>	HAZla por tu Ola: legal protection for waves in Peru	Systematization of legal tools to protect waves at the world level.	January 2019 June 2020
<b>Fish and Wildlife Service - USFWS</b>	Reduce deforestation in communal property areas in the Amazon through better zoning, silvopastoral systems and retribution mechanisms for ecosystem services	Establish a retribution mechanism for ecosystem services between the Tourism Association of Cocachimba Community and San Pablo (Amazonas) Peasant Community, to guarantee water security for the water catchment system whose source is the Gocta Cataract, and reduce deforestation from grazing or agriculture in Palmera Molinopampa Private Conservation Area.	September 2018 December 2019

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<b><i>The International Land and Forest Tenure Facility</i></b>	Participatory Leadership training: Using communications to develop gender and leadership skills	Strengthen the leadership skills, capacities and knowledge of young indigenous leaders of Madre de Dios to inform and raise awareness about the main threats to the land, culture and the environment, through high impact communication products.	December 2019 November 2020
<b><i>The International Land and Forest Tenure Facility</i></b>	Land titling of indigenous territories in Peru	Contribute to the legal security for 5 million hectares of communal land at the national level and 200 thousand additional hectares of indigenous territories in Loreto and Madre de Dios.	October 2017 March 2020
<b><i>International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)</i></b>	Emergency Fund for Environmental Defenders of Tambopata National Reserve Management Committee	Strengthen the capacities of the members of the Management Committee of the Nacional Tambopata Reserve in their work as defenders of the environment through the execution of preventive measures of training, legal defense and communicational positioning; and provide them with protection mechanisms against the threats that the exercise of said activity has generated.	August 2018 May 2019
<b><i>International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)</i></b>	Protecting the guardians of natural heritage: generating conditions to safeguard and protect the rights of park rangers and communal environmental defenders in Madre de Dios	Promote conditions to preserve and protect the rights of the Guardians of the Natural Heritage, the Tambopata National Reserve and its park rangers.	January 2017 March 2019
<b><i>USAID</i></b>	Natural Infrastructure for Water Security	Promote the conservation, restoration and recovery of ecosystems at a national level, creating alliances with public and private organizations to reduce water risks such as droughts, floods and water pollution.	December 2017 September 2023
<b><i>Walton Family Foundation</i></b>	Towards the sustainable management of fisheries, by improving regulations, law enforcement and transparency in Peru	Policy reforms towards sustainable fishing in Peru, the formalization of artisanal fishing, legal support for artisanal fishers through the Free Legal Clinic, capacity building for civil society and other actors in marine and fishery governance.	October 2017 September 2019
<b><i>Walton Family Foundation</i></b>	Towards the sustainable management of fisheries, by improving regulations, law enforcement and transparency in Peru. Complementary project	Improve governance and representativeness of artisanal fishers and Social Organizations of Artisanal Fishers (OSPA); strengthen the capacities of authorities from the Dirección Regional de Producción (DIREPRO) Piura; provide technical and legal support to the Ministry of Production (PRODUCE) for fisheries reforms and increase the compliance of minimum catch sizes for restaurants.	October 2018 September 2019

A man wearing a blue and white striped polo shirt, blue shorts, and a grey cap is fishing from a boat on a river. He is holding a fishing rod with both hands, and the background shows lush green trees and a cloudy sky. The boat has an outboard motor.

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