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PRESENTATION

01



Defending the Environment and Strengthening Democracy

The year 2025 has been a challenging one for civil society, both globally and in Peru. We have seen spaces for dialogue erode, polarizing rhetoric intensify, and greater restrictions imposed on those of us who work to defend our fundamental rights and the environment. In Peru, this translates into weaker institutions, an unstable public agenda, and decisions contrary to the rule of law that create uncertainty about the role of civil society.

But it has not been a year of setbacks for SPDA; rather, it has been a year of reaffirmation. Faced with a more complex environment, we have strengthened our role as an organization that, grounded in science and evidence, generates proposals, builds bridges, and contributes to ensuring that public decisions are made with greater information and transparency. This has been reflected in the reception our research has received on key issues for the country, such as hydrocarbons and protected natural areas; the promotion, creation, and defense of marine protected areas; the fight against illegal economies such as mining and the construction of illegal roads; and the weakening of environmental institutions and sectoral regulations. All of this with a cross-cutting objective: to defend the right of all people to a healthy and balanced environment for life.

SPDA also continues to promote nature-based solutions to address the triple planetary crisis: the climate emergency, biodiversity loss, and air, water, and soil pollution. It also develops and promotes tools such as natural infrastructure, nature-based solutions, mechanisms for payment for ecosystem services (MERESE), habitat banks, and biodiversity credits, as well as incentives for conservation and new forms of management and valuation of marine ecosystems. This approach is complemented by tireless efforts to recognize, protect, and value the work of those who defend their property rights in the territory and sustain these processes at the local level.

In 2025, we also reached a milestone in our training work by more decisively incorporating intergenerational and intersectional approaches. We are committed to strengthening diverse leadership: young people who amplify the voices of the environmental future we want to build, women who sustain the management of marine resources, water caretakers in Andean territories, Indigenous communicators, as well as children and adolescents who are part of a new generation committed to the environment. This work is not merely complementary; it is structural to the present and the legacy of SPDA.

Nature, Always Present

Many years ago—exactly 48 years ago, perhaps when many of the readers of this 2025 Annual Report had not yet been born—I chose a quote from Albert Camus as the epigraph for the thesis that, together with my good friend Javier Cayo de Abreu, we defended before the PUCP School of Law. Undoubtedly, the message remains relevant today:

“Nature, however, is always present. It sets its tranquil skies and its reason against the madness of men until the atom too catches fire and history ends with the triumph of reason and the agony of the species.”

We are living in times of regression in environmental management policies in several countries around the world, which translates into greater risks to the health of the planet. I never thought that the disruptive forces of human society would repeat themselves over and over again in the wake of wars and colossal technological developments such as those we are currently experiencing, always driven by the pursuit for power and economic expansion. In the 1970s and 1980s, environmental law as a discipline was still in its infancy, and issues of water, soil, and air pollution, along with the degradation of essential ecosystems, were a marginal concern in education, economics, law, and public policy. However, new technologies, driven by the climate emergency and a more conscious and demanding consumer, are generating new business models inspired by the purpose of integrating the economic, social, and environmental dimensions of sustainable development.

The stories that explain social change sometimes begin with a small experience, a book, a talk, or a conversation at school that leaves a lasting impression on us, sparking dreams and initiatives that later become a purpose and a way of life. I mention all this because these stories are being renewed and multiplied among Peruvian youth, who are increasingly aware of their environmental responsibility.

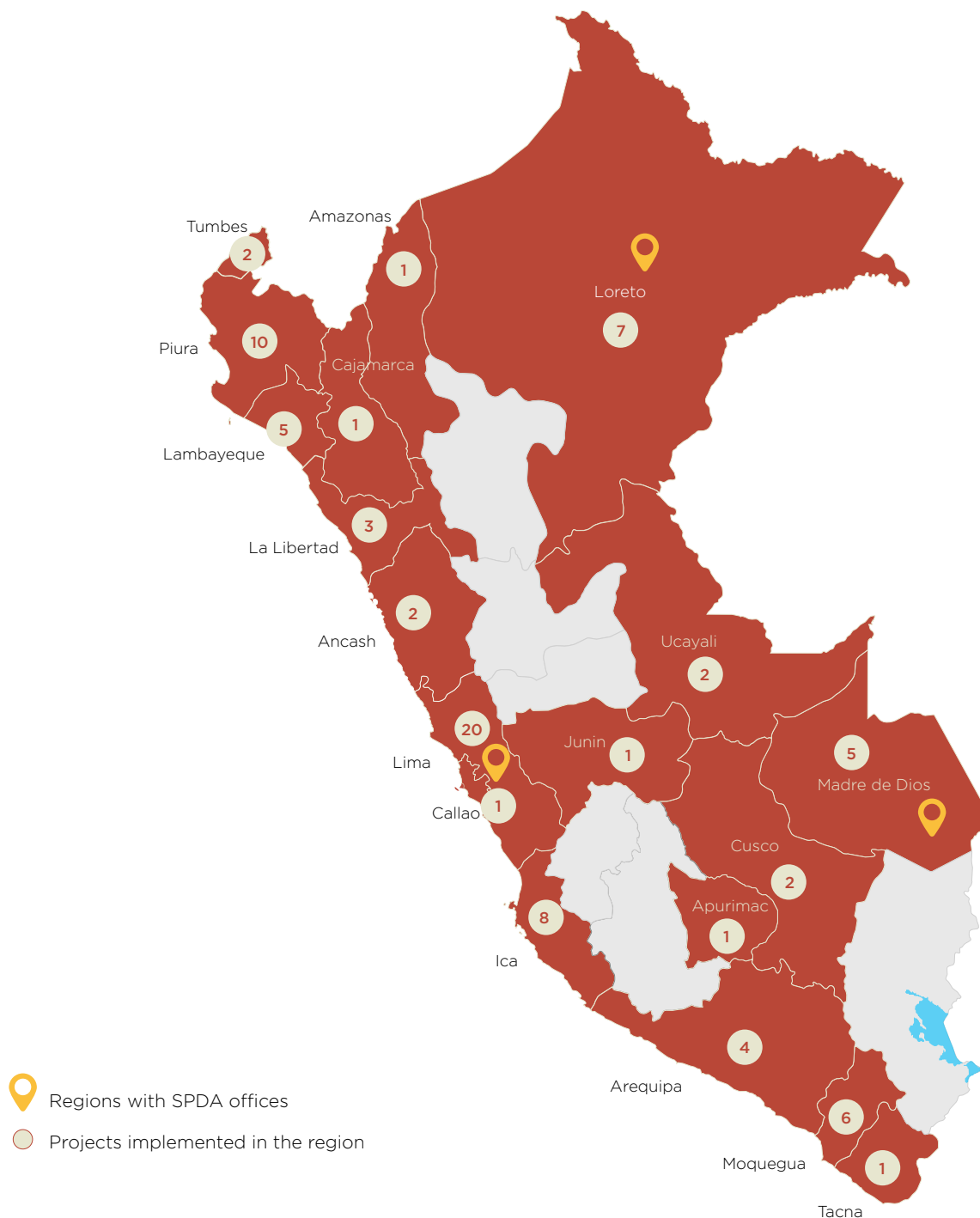
SPDA is a space for learning and training in civic action. If environmental citizenship was once a mirage, it is gradually becoming a reality, thanks to the work of the youngest members of society. SPDA is also a center for research and advocacy, striving to raise awareness among society’s most influential actors so they can make decisions with meaning and a vision for the future. Since its founding in 1986, it has considered it essential to always bear in mind that human beings, through their work or activities, modify and “dominate” nature, while other living organisms, on the other hand, work for nature—that is, they revitalize and expand it, renew it without depleting it, and only in that sense do they modify and transform it, following the evolutionary process of life on the planet. Seeking a balance that generates wealth, prosperity, and positive expectations for the future is the task of all of us who are committed to contributing to the common good from wherever we are.

OUR REACH



National reach

In 2025, we carried out **31 projects in 20 regions** across the country, establishing a diverse and strategic presence nationwide. Through these initiatives, we expanded our impact by strengthening environmental governance, protecting nature, and promoting the well-being of people and communities in various regions of Peru.



Internacional reach

In 2025, we brought Peru's experience to some of the most influential forums on the global environmental agenda. Through these forums, we advocated for ambitious regulatory frameworks, shared evidence gathered from the ground, and contributed to key debates on ecosystem conservation and environmental justice.

Climate Week 2025

New York, United States

We led discussions on protecting Indigenous territories and protected natural areas from the expansion of extractive industries in the Amazon. We brought together perspectives from Peru, Colombia, and Brazil to explore mechanisms that strengthen conservation and ensure compliance with climate commitments. We also highlighted the cultural and environmental value of the Rostro Harakbut through a digital twin, an immersive virtual reality experience that allowed attendees to explore this sacred site.

Third United Nations Ocean Conference (UNOC3)

Nice, France

We promoted discussion on the BBNJ Agreement and presented the Peruvian model for protecting surf breaks as an innovative conservation tool, highlighting its contribution to the global 30x30 target and SDG 14. In addition, we organized side events on women's leadership in artisanal fisheries and on the defense of human rights linked to marine conservation.



Conference of the Parties on Climate Change (COP30)

Belém, Brazil

We organized sessions on strategic litigation, clinical legal education, and the impact of climate change on children and youth. We highlighted initiatives such as Escazú Champions to strengthen youth participation in environmental democracy. We also promoted recognition of Indigenous peoples' leadership in defending the Amazon and addressed the links between climate change, illegal mining, and human rights.

Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee on Plastic Pollution (INC 5.2)

Geneva, Switzerland

We participated in the negotiation process for the global treaty to end plastic pollution, held in Geneva (Switzerland), advocating for the adoption of an ambitious agreement that addresses the entire plastic life cycle. As representatives of civil society, we provided technical oversight of the process by participating in plenary sessions and coordination forums, and by generating specialized inputs to strengthen advocacy efforts for national and international policies addressing this global crisis.

IUCN World Conservation Congress

Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

We contributed to the adoption of the motion for the protection of high-Andean wetlands, which will guide national policies on the conservation of these strategic ecosystems. We also shared our experience in fostering transformative leadership in the region through initiatives such as Escazú Champions, Aceleradores por Naturaleza, Women at Sea, and the Indigenous Communicators Program. Additionally, we promoted urgent issues such as the BBNJ Agreement, freshwater ecosystem conservation, and a gender-based approach to environmental crimes.

+ Special Recognition

We were recognized as one of the world's top 100 think tanks

SPDA was included in the "100 Think Tanks to Watch" list, compiled by the international platform On Think Tanks, which recognizes organizations that drive global change. This recognition highlighted our work in promoting environmental justice and strengthening legislation that protects nature.

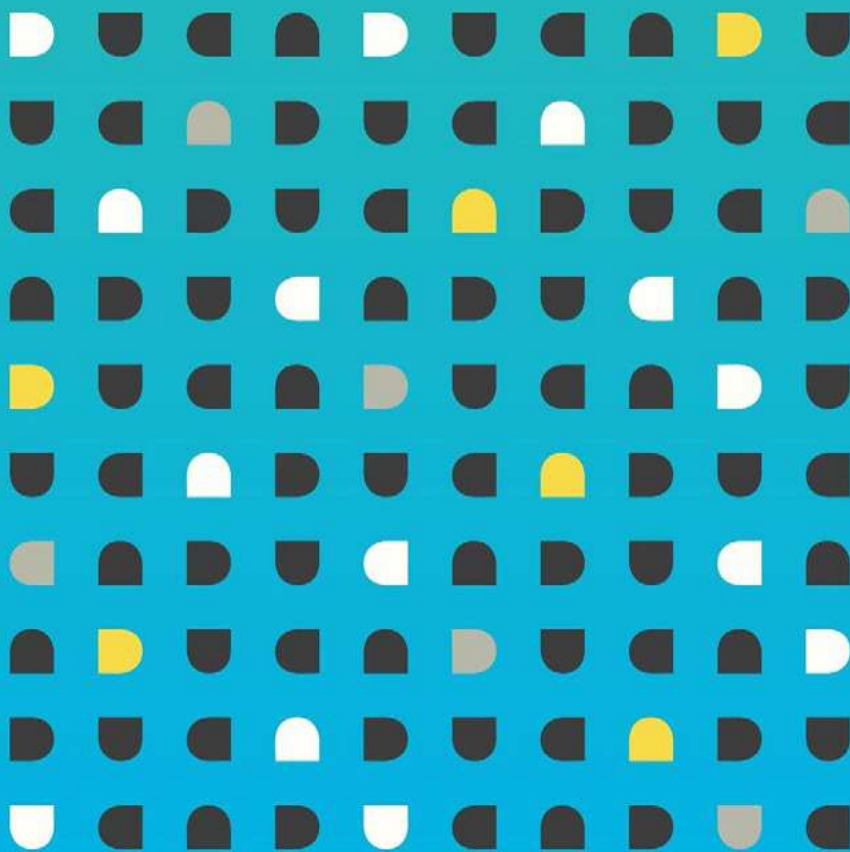
Initiatives such as "Historia de un derrame" and "Hazte cargo" were highlighted, described as

comprehensive strategies that combine legal actions, policy reforms, and campaigns to respond to environmental crises. Our capacity for coordination and our commitment to expanding the scope of environmental action were also valued.

This recognition reaffirms our position as a regional and global leader in environmental law and democratic governance.



100 Think Tanks to watch 2025



OUR IMPACT

03

3.1 JUSTICE AND EQUITY

ENVIRONMENTAL DEMOCRACY

+ We promoted environmental citizenship education starting in early childhood in Lima and Loreto

Children and adolescents are groups that require special protection from the impacts of climate change and the environmental challenges that hinder their development. For this reason, we promoted active environmental citizenship starting in childhood, using approaches that take into account intercultural, gender, and intergenerational perspectives, to strengthen the early exercise of environmental rights.

As part of this commitment, we developed *Sembrando Futuro Ambiental* (Sowing an Environmental Future), **an educational program aimed at elementary and secondary school children and adolescents**, which introduces them to environmental rights through connection with the natural environment, experiential learning, and artistic expression. The program is implemented in Lima and Loreto and uses an innovative methodology aligned with the national curriculum, integrating play, art, dance, drawing, and environmental observation as pedagogical tools.

In 2025, *Sembrando Futuro Ambiental* was implemented in schools in Lima and Iquitos, as well as in rural communities in Loreto, allowing students to visit conservation areas such as Los Pantanos de Villa, the Allpahuayo Mishana National Reserve, the Lomas de Asia, and the Garzal de Santa María de Fátima. These experiences strengthen the connection between territory, biodiversity, and environmental rights from an early age.

In total, **the program reached more than 100 students and strengthened teachers' capacities**, helping to shape new generations who are aware of their environment and their role as environmental citizens.

+ Featured Stories

Norma: Fostering Environmental Awareness in the Classroom

From a very young age, Norma Olaechea felt a special connection to nature. Born in southern Ayacucho, surrounded by natural landscapes, she grew up appreciating water, trees, and the life around her. Many years later, now living in Lima and working as an elementary school teacher, she found new motivation to strengthen her environmental education. When she learned that SPDA's *Sembrando Futuro Ambiental* program would be coming to her school, she didn't hesitate to sign up.

Norma Olaechea has been part of the *Sembrando Futuro Ambiental* teacher network since 2023. Thanks to this, she has participated in various field trips to Lima's ecosystems and in

virtual sessions—key opportunities that have allowed her to strengthen and integrate the program's methodology into her classes, a methodology based on connecting with the environment, observation, and artistic expression. She notes that, since then, her lessons have become more creative and exploratory:

“Last year we worked on topics such as wetlands and water conservation, but not in a rigid or strict way. We did it in an engaging and enjoyable way, just like in the workshops, through exploration, creativity, and open dialogue. That way, children not only gain knowledge but also develop a sensitivity toward the environment.”



Tercera Generación de Champions de Escazú



Photo: Captura de pantalla



+ We strengthened youth leadership for the implementation of the Escazú Agreement

The effective implementation of the Escazú Agreement in Latin America and the Caribbean requires leaders capable of promoting its principles at the local level, with an emphasis on environmental democracy, the protection of defenders, and climate action. Young people play a key role in translating the treaty's commitments into concrete initiatives with local and regional impact.

In this context, **we organized and implemented the third edition of Champions of Escazú, a regional initiative aimed at training young leaders** to promote and advocate for the Escazú Agreement in their countries. The process included a regional call for applications that received 143 submissions, followed by a training and leadership-building phase in which 41 pre-selected young people from different countries in the region participated. As a result of this process, the members of the third generation of Escazú Champions were announced, comprising young people from Mexico, Guatemala, Bolivia, Colombia, and Peru. The selected initiatives address issues such as youth leadership, climate citizenship, protection of defenders, and management of socio-environmental conflicts, and will be implemented locally with the support of SPDA and the Environment and Society Association of Colombia.

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+ We strengthened young people's environmental skills and leadership in Madre de Dios

Youth participation is key to advancing environmental protection and the exercise of rights in Amazonian regions such as Madre de Dios, where pressures on ecosystems persist and training opportunities for the younger generation remain limited.

In this context, we implemented the training initiative “Strengthening Environmental Leadership Among Youth in Madre de Dios,” aimed at members of citizen groups and Indigenous organizations in the region. Through workshops, mentoring, and participatory methodologies, we promoted the development of knowledge in environmental governance, access rights, communication, and climate action. As a result, participants acquired tools to advocate within their communities, raise awareness of environmental issues, and promote collective action from within their own contexts. This process contributes to the development of a new generation of young people committed to defending the environment and strengthening environmental democracy in the Amazon.

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+ We promoted the active involvement of children in climate justice at the regional level

Climate change disproportionately impacts children and adolescents, affecting their ability to exercise their present and future rights. In light of this situation, **we renewed our role as a technical partner on climate change for the Civil Society Support Program of Save the Children**, promoting an approach of intergenerational co-leadership and coordinating with organizations in the region that work for children's rights.

Within this framework, we contributed to the drafting of an amicus curiae brief submitted to the Inter-American Court of Human Rights (IACHR) as part of Advisory Opinion 32/25 on "Climate Emergency and Human Rights." The document, developed with technical and legal support from specialists at Save the Children and SPDA, gathered the concerns and proposals of children and adolescents from Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Colombia, Peru, Paraguay, Venezuela, and Brazil. The information was presented to the IACHR in Brasília by Camila (El Salvador) and Joselim (Peru), who brought the voice of Latin American children to a key forum for regional climate justice.

This process reaffirms the importance of **ensuring safe and accessible spaces for children's participation in climate justice processes**. Furthermore, the document seeks to inspire more organizations and networks of children and adolescents to get involved in defending their rights in the face of climate change.

+ Featured Stories

Joselim: A Peruvian teenager's voice before the Inter-American Court of Human Rights

At the age of 17, Joselim spoke on behalf of Latin America's children and adolescents before the Inter-American Court of Human Rights (I/A Court H.R.) during the hearing on the Advisory Opinion "Climate Emergency and Human Rights," held in Manaus, Brazil. Alongside a Salvadoran teenager, she explained how the climate crisis disrupts

education, affects health, and violates the fundamental rights of millions of children and adolescents in the region.

Her statement was based on information from the amicus curiae brief, prepared with the support of SPDA and regional organizations. "We are the generation of hope, the generation seeking change," she declared before the I/A Court, setting a precedent regarding the importance of listening to the younger generations in the pursuit of climate justice.



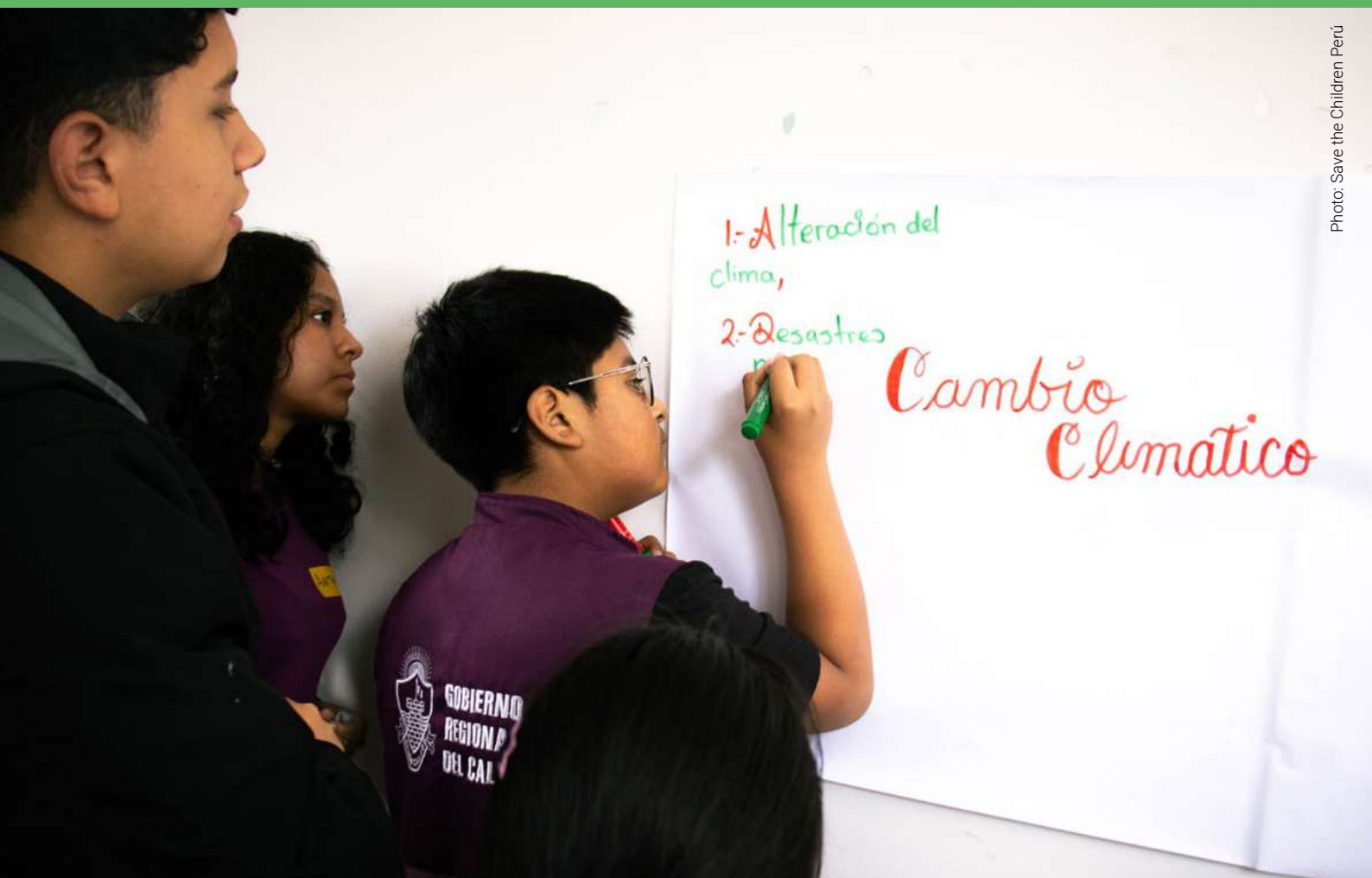


Photo: Save the Children Perú

+ We strengthened adolescents' capacity for informed climate action

In a context where global climate decisions directly impact the present and future of the next generations, strengthening their access to clear information and opportunities for participation is essential. For this reason, **we launched training initiatives aimed at adolescents and partner organizations, with the goal of making climate governance more accessible to young people through clear language and a rights-based approach.**

In coordination with the Civil Society Support Program's partner organizations, we developed user-friendly guides and methodologies on the Conferences of the Parties (COP), General Comment No. 26 of the Committee on the Rights of the Child, and the Declaration on Human Rights Defenders. We also conducted participatory workshops and climate negotiation simulations using the **"Children's COP"** methodology, designed in collaboration with Acción por los Niños and Save the Children. More than 70 adolescents from Ica and Cajamarca strengthened their knowledge of climate change, adaptation and mitigation commitments, and international advocacy mechanisms.

Finally, we published "Climate Change Matters: A Youth-Friendly Guide to the COPs," an educational tool aimed at adolescents, young people, and teachers that helps democratize access to key information on climate action and citizen participation. Through these initiatives, **we are fostering a generation with greater tools to exercise their right to participate in shaping responses to the climate crisis.**



Photo: Diego Pérez / SPDA

Indigenous peoples and collective rights

+ We advocated for the protection of Indigenous peoples, their territories, and their cultural heritage

Indigenous peoples face persistent threats to their territories, their cultural integrity, and the full exercise of their collective rights. These threats are intensifying amid mounting pressure on the Amazon, affecting both native communities and Indigenous Peoples in Isolation and Initial Contact (PIACI, by its Spanish acronym).

In this context, **we promoted comprehensive strategies for the protection of the territorial, cultural, and collective rights of Indigenous peoples**, combining legal tools, capacity building, and the use of new communication technologies to amplify the voices and participation of the peoples themselves.

As part of this approach, we promoted actions aimed at protecting PIACI by strengthening the technical, legal, and financial capacities of state actors and Indigenous organizations. In April, we held workshops in Cusco, Pucallpa, and Puerto Maldonado, with the participation of representatives from all regions where the presence of PIACI has been recorded. These sessions allowed us to analyze legal mechanisms, identify institutional gaps, and contribute to raising public awareness and understanding of the situation of peoples in isolation and initial contact.

Likewise, we contributed to concrete progress in strengthening the legal security of Indigenous territories in Loreto, following the approval of a Public Investment Project by the Regional Government of Loreto (GOREL) aimed at closing the land titling gap. This milestone was made possible by a capacity-building and technical support process developed by SPDA in collaboration with GOREL. The approval of the project constitutes a key institutional advance, as it strengthens regional investment management capacity and consolidates a technical platform that facilitates the mobilization and leveraging of resources for various regional priorities in the future.

These actions **reflect a comprehensive approach that integrates rights, territory, and culture**, and that is committed to sustainable solutions for the protection of Indigenous peoples and their territories.

+ Featured Stories

Harakbut Face: Technology to Preserve an Indigenous Sacred Site

On July 31, we launched the digital twin of the Harakbut Face—a virtual replica of this sacred site of the Harakbut people that, for the first time, can be visited from anywhere in the world. The initiative was developed by SPDA in collaboration with the Executor of the Administration Contract and the leadership of the Amarakaeri Communal Reserve, as a strategy to preserve this cultural heritage and draw attention to the threats facing this protected area located in Madre de Dios.

The digital replica was created using 3D scanning technologies, drones, and advanced modeling, following an expedition conducted in 2024 and guided by the Harakbut people themselves. This process made it possible to document and highlight a site that is difficult to access, opening up new possibilities for the protection of other Indigenous sacred sites. The initiative was complemented by the production of the documentary *Ömäene Harakbut* (We Are Harakbut), which captures the voice and memory of these Indigenous people.

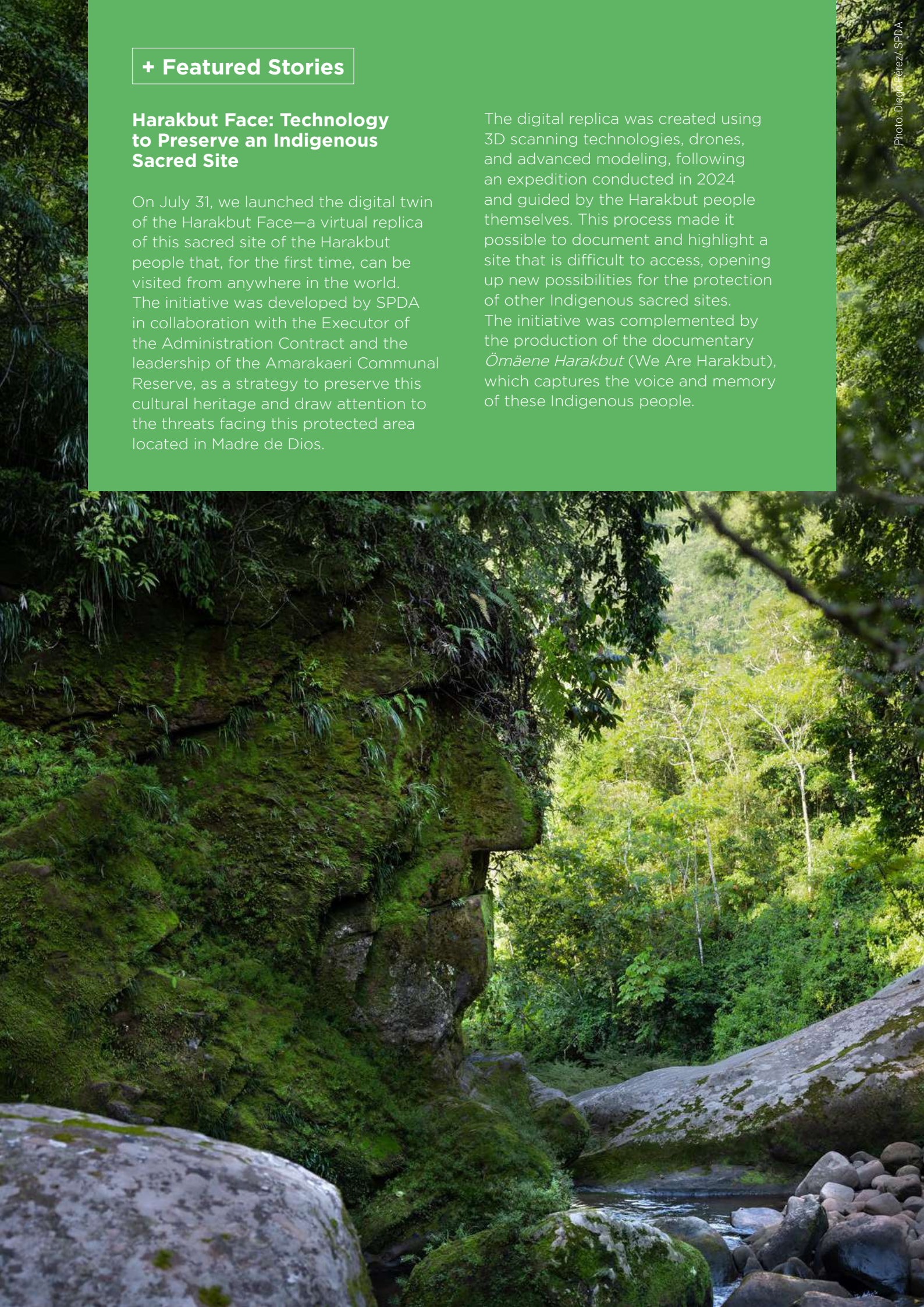




Photo: Sally Jabiel / SPDA

Environmental and land rights defenders

+ We improved protection for environmental defenders through specialized training and an information platform

Environmental and territorial defenders in Peru face a context of growing risks, marked by threats, criminalization, and violence associated with illegal economies and socio-environmental conflicts. While regulatory frameworks and protection mechanisms exist, significant gaps persist in access to clear, up-to-date, and useful information, as well as in the capacity of key actors to activate these mechanisms in a timely and effective manner.

In this context, we promoted actions aimed at strengthening the protection of defenders, combining training processes co-designed with local stakeholders and innovative digital tools. As part of this process, we organized the **course “Environmental Defenders: Rights and Mechanisms for Their Protection”**, developed in partnership with Idehpucp and co-designed with Indigenous organizations from the Peruvian Amazon. The course trained 200 defenders, public officials, and local stakeholders from Loreto, Madre de Dios, Ucayali, and Lima. Fifty-two percent of participants belonged to Indigenous peoples, and 61% were women. As a result of these workshops, two compendiums were published featuring the participants’ most outstanding essays.

Additionally, we restructured **the country’s first digital platform dedicated to environmental and territorial defenders**, based on a qualitative study conducted with Indigenous communicators and communication specialists from Madre de Dios. One of its main innovations is the first risk heat map, which allows for the geographic identification of areas where threats to defenders are most critical. The platform also brings together national and international regulations, sectoral protocols, regional ordinances, publications, and practical resources that strengthen existing protection mechanisms.

Through these actions, we help **close information gaps, strengthen territorial capacities, and consolidate a more coordinated, preventive, and rights-based protection ecosystem for those who defend the environment in the country.**

3.2 NATURE AND WILDLIFE

Oceans

+ We advance regulatory progress for artisanal fisheries and the sustainability of marine resources

Artisanal fisheries play a vital role in food security, job creation, the sustainability of hydrobiological resources, and the health of marine ecosystems. However, for decades they have faced regulatory gaps and pressures that have put both the fisheries and the communities that depend on them at risk. In 2025, **we helped achieve key progress in updating long-overdue regulations to regulate fishing activity in the country.**

In February, the Ministry of Production (Produce) published the amendment to the Regulations of the General Fisheries Law (DS 002-2025-PRODUCE), which designates the first five nautical miles as a zone reserved for artisanal and small-scale fishing, reaffirming the ban on large-scale activities in that zone. At SPDA, we participated in this process by advocating for Law 31749, the Ancestral Fishing Law, passed in 2023, which enabled the update of the regulations under the General Fisheries Law. Additionally, we contributed key improvements, including banning the use of mechanized purse seines within three nautical miles and reclassifying artisanal fishing.

In March, after more than 15 years without revision, the new Fisheries Management Regulations (ROP) for jumbo flying squid were approved (DS 003-2025-PRODUCE). Throughout this process, we provided technical and legal assistance to artisanal fishing organizations in reviewing and submitting comments on the proposal, aimed at strengthening the sustainability of the resource.

The new regulations recognize the artisanal fleet as a strategic actor in this fishery and establishes the exclusive use of the jigging line, a low-impact fishing method. They also consolidate control and traceability mechanisms, **representing a significant step forward in strengthening the regulatory framework and promoting the sustainable management of the country's marine resources.**



Photo: Jorge Pezantes / SPDA

+ We promoted the formalization of the artisanal fleet and responsible fishing practices

The formalization of artisanal fisheries is essential to ensuring the sustainability of marine resources, improving working conditions across the sector, and ensuring compliance with national and international standards. In this context, we promoted initiatives aimed at **fostering formal, responsible fishing practices while raising awareness of their benefits.**

In 2025, **we provided technical and legal assistance to 159 vessels involved in the jumbo flying squid and mahi mahi fisheries to support them in obtaining fishing permits.** Additionally, we helped 124 vessels obtain their sanitary authorizations, ensuring the quality and safety of their products. We also supported the registration of 87 artisanal vessels with the South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organization (SPRFMO), enabling them to operate formally in international waters. All these advances reduce illegal fishing, protect public health, strengthen the monitoring of extractive activities on the high seas, and improve resource traceability, representing a significant step toward achieving more sustainable fisheries management aligned with international standards.

Additionally, **we promoted formal and responsible fishing practices across marine protected areas.** In the San Fernando National Reserve, we supported 48 people—including fishers and seaweed harvesters—in obtaining the permits required to carry out their activities, thanks to the technical and legal advice provided. We also implemented a fisheries formalization training program that benefited more than 60 artisanal fishers in the reserve, equipping them with the skills needed to prepare and submit technical dossiers for permit applications.

In the tourism sector, **we supported 12 businesses through technical and legal assistance and developed two tourism site plans within the San Fernando National Reserve.** We also produced assessments on tourism formalization, facilitated outreach and capacity-building sessions, and provided guidance on the formalization of organizations in other MPAs, such as the Los Manglares de Tumbes National Sanctuary and the Illescas National Reserve.

Through “Ambassadors of Formalization” an initiative launched as part of the *Formales por la Pesca* campaign, we shared the stories of men and women from fishing communities across the country who are leading the transition toward formalization. Through these testimonials, we highlight how formalization enables safer and more secure livelihoods, expand access new markets, and strengthen community development. **This initiative reflects the broader impact of our work, which to date has benefited more than a thousand people across various coastal regions of the country.**

+ Featured Stories

formalization

Tania Ángeles comes from a fishing family in Sechura (Piura). During the pandemic, she became more involved in her family's work, and over time, the sea became her livelihood. Today, she is a vessel owner and manages five boats used for harvesting octopus and other marine resources.

With our support, Tania and her crew received training, completed the necessary paperwork, and obtained

sanitary certification for their vessels, ensuring the quality and safety of their fish and shellfish products. Today, she supports other women vessel owners in achieving the same progress and serves as an inspiration within her community.

"I would tell women who work in fishing to be brave, not to be afraid. While it's true that when we hear 'fishing,' we might think of men as the ones who go out to sea, on land it's us women who are left in charge," Tania emphasizes.





Photo: The Nature Conservancy, Perú

+ We promoted the visibility and leadership of girls and women of the sea

Women play a vital role in Peru's marine environment; contributing to its conservation and actively participate in various stages of the artisanal fishing supply chain. However, their work often remains invisible while they continue to face structural barriers such as informality, limited access to resources, and exclusion from decision-making spaces. In response, we promoted initiatives aimed at strengthening their leadership and increasing recognition of their contribution to the sustainability of the marine ecosystem and the artisanal fishing sector.

In September, through a partnership between several projects and organizations, we organized the **"Mujeres a la Mar 2025"** (Women at Sea) event, which brought together nearly 40 women leaders from the artisanal fishing from ten coastal regions of the country—from Tumbes to Tacna—as well as a delegation from Chile. This event combined training, dialogue, and collective action through workshops focused on leadership, entrepreneurship, product innovation, and access to new markets. As a result, the participants jointly developed the first "Roadmap for Equity for Women of the Sea," outlining priorities such as identifying women in the sector, strengthening multisectoral dialogue, economic diversification, and improving fishing infrastructure.

Additionally, we supported the development of initiatives aimed at documenting and amplifying testimonies about the impact of oil spills on Peru's marine ecosystems and coastal communities. In August, we premiered **"Ella" nationwide, a music video produced and animated by young girls from Lobitos (Piura)**, known as the "Sirenas Capullanas". Through the video, they share how their daily lives changed following the oil spill that occurred in December 2024. We also led a research project using the Photovoice methodology, in collaboration with women from the artisanal fishing sector in Ancón (Lima), in response to the spill that occurred in January 2022. One of the project's key outcomes was the **"Women in Fishing" photo exhibition**, which later inspired a publication built from the participants' own voices and images. This initiative highlights the contribution of women connected to the sea and strengthens their role as key actors for a more just, inclusive, and sustainable fishing sector.



Photo: Malu Ramahi / SPDA

+ We contributed to global ocean conservation by promoting the BBNJ Agreement

Protecting marine biodiversity beyond national jurisdictions is one of the greatest challenges facing global ocean governance. In 2025, **we actively helped position Peru as a committed** and implementing the BBNJ Agreement (High Seas Treaty).

In June, during the Third United Nations Ocean Conference (UNOC3), Peru signed the BBNJ Agreement. However, for our country to participate in decision-making regarding international waters, ratification by the Congress of the Republic is required. For this reason, we organized various forums for dialogue, with the participation of authorities, academics, and national and international organizations, to strengthen understanding of this agreement and the opportunities it presents for the country.

Throughout the year, we worked alongside the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Peruvian Maritime Nautical Foundation, the World Maritime University, the Inter-American Association for Environmental Defense (AIDA), and the High Seas Alliance to bring this issue to the public and decision-makers' attention, positioning SPDA as a leading voice in our country. Internationally, we participated in the World Conservation Congress of the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) with the session "Ocean Governance: Understanding the High Seas Treaty (BBNJ)".

We developed various materials aimed at the public and decision-makers that contributed to strengthen understanding of the BBNJ Agreement and its implications for Peru. Additionally, together with international specialists, we will co-author the *IUCN Explanatory Guide on the BBNJ Agreement* an IUCN publication that will provide an accessible technical and legal interpretation of the treaty and is expected to be published in mid-2026.

Through these actions, **we contribute to an informed, technical, and strategic debate on the implementation of the BBNJ Agreement**, strengthening Peru's role in global ocean conservation and advancing marine governance grounded in evidence and international cooperation.



+ We promoted the protection of surf breaks as an innovative marine conservation strategy

Surf breaks play a key role in marine-coastal ecosystems and local economies; however, they have historically been overlooked in conservation and environmental planning frameworks. To address this gap, **we promoted the protection of surf breaks as an innovative tool that brings together conservation, public participation, and sustainable development.**

Over the past year, we have consolidated strategic efforts with authorities **to incorporate the protection of surf breaks into key public management instruments.** Within this framework, we have promoted technical discussions at the Ministry of the Environment (Minam) to secure their recognition within the National Environmental Impact Assessment System (SEIA). Likewise, we have helped position surf breaks within the new national land-use planning framework, promoting recognition of their environmental and landscape value in planning processes. Additionally, we are working with the General Directorate of Port Authorities and Coast Guard (Dicapi) to identify regulatory gaps and strengthen applicable regulations for their protection.

At the international level, **we have positioned the Peruvian model for the legal protection of surf breaks in high-level forums.** During the Third United Nations Conference on the Oceans (UNOC3), we presented this experience as a successful and replicable model on a global scale. We emphasize that protected surf breaks in Peru meet several of the criteria for recognition as Other Effective Area-based Conservation Measures (OEM) and highlight their ability to mobilize communities, authorities, and various sectors in support of marine conservation.



+ We encouraged the public to report information about beach pollution

Solid waste pollution in aquatic ecosystems is a systemic problem that cannot be solved solely through cleanup efforts. However, addressing this reality directly helps raise awareness, generate evidence, and drive changes in public behavior. In 2025, through the **HAZla por tu Playa** (Do it for your beach) campaign, we launched a national citizen science initiative that combined collective action, environmental awareness, and data collection.

More than 2,000 volunteers mobilized across different regions of the country to clean beaches, rivers, wetlands, and lagoons, collecting approximately **65 tons of waste**. These efforts helped identify the most common types of waste and assess pollution levels along our coastlines, providing valuable data to strengthen solid waste management and public decision-making.

HAZla por tu Playa seeks to go beyond cleanup: it promotes an emotional response to the impact of plastic, challenges throwaway culture, and encourages more responsible consumption habits. Through small collective actions, the campaign **connects citizens with ocean protection and reinforces shared responsibility in caring for aquatic ecosystems**.

+ Featured Stories

Mujeres y Agua: girls' and adolescents' leadership for surfing ecosystems

In the district of Lobitos (Piura), we launched *"Mujeres y Agua"* (Women and Water), an innovative program that combines surfing, environmental education, and personal skills development for girls and adolescents. Through participatory activities, we strengthened the participants' connection to the sea, fostering a sense of local identity, environmental awareness, and female leadership from an early age.

The process brought together local organizations, community leaders, and the Municipality of Lobitos, and culminated in a Kuyapanakuy event where local initiatives and a short documentary were shared. This initiative aims to become an integral part of the local government's ongoing work, strengthening citizen participation and the leadership of girls and adolescents in the protection of coastal ecosystems and surf breaks.





Forests

+ We helped communities access opportunities for aguaje forestry

The sustainable use of non-timber forest resources, such as aguaje, is a key activity for the economy and food security of many Amazonian communities. However, for years, administrative procedures and regulatory requirements have posed barriers to Indigenous and smallholder communities' ability to exercise this right in a formal and secure manner.

In this regard, we contributed **to regulatory strengthening and the creation of spaces for dialogue aimed at facilitating communities' access to the use of this resource**. In Loreto, we provided technical support for the formulation and approval of a regional directive regulating the granting of forest permits for the harvesting of fruits and seeds on communal lands, with an emphasis on aguaje. This regulation, approved by the Regional Office for Forestry and Wildlife Development (Gerfor) of the Regional Government of Loreto, aligns with the current national framework and reduces the administrative requirements and burdens previously imposed on communities.

In addition, we promoted spaces for inter-institutional dialogue in Loreto and Ucayali, with the aim of resolving critical issues related to the harvesting of aguaje, such as permit requirements, the need for binding prior opinions, and the standardization of payment for harvesting rights. These forums allowed us to identify legal and operational gaps in the aguaje value chain from the perspective of different territorial realities. These insights will inform proposals aimed at strengthening sustainable utilization compatible with the conservation of Amazonian ecosystems.



Photo: Marlon Dag / SPDA

+ We promoted the regional implementation of CCUSAFs in the Amazon

In the face of the challenges posed by deforestation and the need to promote sustainable production alternatives in the Amazon, the Land Use Contracts for Agroforestry Systems (CCUSAFs, by their Spanish acronym) have established themselves as a key tool for providing legal certainty to small-scale producers and fostering responsible land management. In 2025, **we helped strengthen their effective implementation by coordinating technical and institutional efforts at the national and regional levels.**

Throughout the year, we provided technical and institutional support to the National Forestry and Wildlife Service (Serfor) in promoting policies aimed at strengthening commercial forest plantations and agroforestry systems as sustainable, deforestation-free production alternatives. These actions directly benefit small-scale family farmers in the Amazon, of whom around 700 already have CCUSAF Contracts, a key instrument for promoting legal certainty and sustainable land management.

In December, we facilitated the participation of representatives from the Technical Forestry and Wildlife Authorities (ATFFS) from various regions of the country in a national forum convened by Serfor. This forum allowed for the exchange of territorial experiences and the incorporation of technical contributions to improve public policies related to the promotion of forest plantations and agroforestry systems.

We also provided technical support for the Macroregional Outreach Workshop on updating the CCUSAF measure and analyzing the Roadmap for its implementation.

The meeting gathered input from Amazonian regional governments (Ucayali, San Martín, Amazonas, Huánuco, Loreto, and Cajamarca) to strengthen the Roadmap developed by Serfor, within the framework of the NDC CUSAF measure updated by the Ministry of the Environment. These processes consolidate the multilevel coordination necessary for the effective implementation of the instrument in the country.



Photo: Edu Almenán / SPDA

+ We built community capacity for forest fire prevention and response

Forest fires pose one of the greatest threats to ecosystems and rural communities, exacerbated by climate change, poor land management, and the accumulation of combustible material. In this context, **we promoted training initiatives focused on forest fire prevention and control.**

In Áncash, we provided technical support for fire prevention through the sustainable management of forest plantations. Through a hands-on workshop organized by Serfor, in coordination with SPDA and the District Municipality of Independencia, members of the Ramón Castilla rural community learned pruning and thinning techniques for pine plantations. These practices helped both improve wood quality and reduce the accumulation of combustible material, one of the main factors that increase the intensity and spread of fires.

Additionally, during Forestry Week in the region, we participated in a visit to the high-Andean forests of the Quilcayhuanca ravine. There, the participants—mostly university students—learned about the importance of forest ecosystems, sustainable plantation management, forest fire prevention, and the restoration of degraded areas.

In Amazonas, we joined the regional strategy promoted by Yunkawasi for forest fire prevention. We strengthened the capacities of community brigades through workshops and equipment. During these sessions, representatives from rural communities and the Peruvian Army strengthened their knowledge of fire behavior, control techniques, and the proper use of tools for responding to forest emergencies.

These interventions helped **reduce the vulnerability of these territories to forest fires** by promoting preventive management and strengthening the role of communities as key actors in protecting ecosystems and ensuring the safety of their territories.



Photo: Jhon Aguilar / SPDA

+ We strengthened Sustainable Livelihoods in Amazonas by Boosting Local Productive Capacities

Strengthening sustainable livelihoods is key to ecosystem conservation and the well-being of rural Amazonian communities. In this context, **we promoted initiatives aimed at improving the productive, organizational, and technical capacities of community nurseries and local producers** in the department of Amazonas.

As part of this strategy, we developed the annual internship program for community nurseries in the district of Cuispes, which facilitated the exchange of best agricultural and production practices, highlighting experiences in agroforestry management and fertilization through a circular economy approach that optimizes costs, reduces environmental impacts, and improves the productivity of crops such as coffee, pitahaya, and fruit trees. In addition, we strengthened the capacities of representatives from the Cuispes and La Coca nurseries in organizational formalization and resource management, with the aim of supporting them in their formalization process and strengthening their institutional sustainability.

In addition, **supported improvements to the facilities of three local nurseries** (Afotur in Palmira, Tunki in Cuispes, and Refugio Verde in La Coca) through the installation of signage, contributing to their organization, visibility, and future development.

These actions **strengthened the diversification and improvement of local livelihoods**, promoting sustainable production practices that integrate economic development, environmental conservation, and territorial resilience in Amazonas.



Wildlife

+ We promoted responsible coexistence with marine wildlife and sustainable tourism

In 2025, we supported the implementation of the “*Respetemos a la Fauna Silvestre Marina*” (Let’s Respect Marine Wildlife) initiative, launched in partnership with Serfor, with the goal of **promoting responsible coexistence between people and species that are key to the marine-coastal ecosystem**, such as sea turtles, sea lions, and penguins.

We provided technical and communications support, participating in the development of materials and messages aimed at promoting responsible tourism practices, such as maintaining a safe distance when observing wildlife, avoiding feeding or touching it, and not leaving waste on beaches and in protected natural areas.

As part of this process, on-the-ground initiatives were carried out, including **a beach cleanup and an informational fair in Los Órganos (Piura)**, in coordination with local authorities and public entities. These activities helped expand the campaign’s reach and raise awareness among the public—including children and stakeholders in the tourism sector—about the importance of protecting marine ecosystem.



+ We strengthened the conservation of migratory species and their habitats through advocacy and fieldwork

Conserving migratory species requires coordinated actions that combine scientific evidence, public policy, and on-the-ground engagement. Within this framework, **we contributed to strengthening Peru's commitments to wildlife conservation**, particularly regarding threatened marine species.

As part of this work, our technical contributions were incorporated into the national report on the implementation of the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals (CMS), prepared by Serfor. Our contribution focused on **awareness-raising, area-based conservation, and data collection**. It also included the results of the responsible marine wildlife observation campaign, fisheries research conducted in the Nasca Ridge National Reserve, and the identification of critical habitats for sea turtles.

We were also part of the first technical working group established by Serfor to designate critical habitats for sea turtles in Piura and Tumbes, within the framework of the National Conservation Plan for these species. In addition, we supported the identification of nesting beaches and key conservation areas by providing technical assistance and coordinating with local stakeholders and partner institutions.

These actions contributed to strengthening the protection of threatened migratory species and consolidating management approaches based on scientific evidence and interinstitutional coordination.



Photo: Ricardo Ibarico / SPDA

+ We engaged the private sector to prevent illegal wildlife trafficking in the Amazon

Illegal wildlife trafficking is one of the main threats to Amazonian biodiversity, which is why a multi-stakeholder response is needed. In this context, **we promoted the involvement of the private sector as a strategic partner in preventing this illegal activity and raising awareness about it.**

As part of the “*Cuida tu Fauna*” (Take care of your wildlife) campaign, launched by the Wildlife Management Sub-Directorate of the Regional Government of Loreto, SPDA, and World Animal Protection, more than 30 private-sector institutions signed a commitment agreement to implement advocacy actions and a joint work plan aimed at zero tolerance for the illegal wildlife trade in the region.

The agreement strengthens the private sector’s support for the work of the Regional Forestry and Wildlife Management Office (Gerfor) and promotes key messages of prevention, awareness, and shared responsibility regarding illegal wildlife trafficking. Through this, we contribute to expanding the social and institutional base fighting this crime, promoting stronger regional coordination for the protection of wildlife in Loreto.

+ Featured Stories

Scientific knowledge to strengthen marine conservation

In July 2025, we facilitated a scientific expedition led by biologist Yuri Hooker to the shallow sections of the Grijalva, Alvarado, and Sarmiento ridges, three underwater mountain ranges located 35 miles off the coasts of Tumbes, Piura, and Lambayeque in northern Peru. For the first time in the country, the BRUVS (Baited Remote Underwater Video Stations) methodology was applied — a non-invasive sampling system that

enabled the in situ recording of various deep-sea species.

Among the findings, the first sighting of the mako shark (*Isurus oxyrinchus*) in its natural habitat stands out. The information gathered will contribute to a scientific baseline to be published in 2026 and will serve as a technical foundation for promoting new marine conservation strategies in the northern Peru.





Protected natural areas

+ We strengthened the management of protected natural areas through a rights-based approach

Protected Natural Areas depend not only on adequate regulatory frameworks but also on the daily work of those who manage and defend them on the ground. However, management committees and park rangers face growing risks, protection gaps, and institutional frameworks that do not always effectively incorporate human rights, gender, and intercultural approaches.

In this context, **we promoted strategic spaces for national and territorial coordination** aimed at strengthening the management of these areas through a rights-based approach, placing park rangers and management committees at the center as key actors in the conservation system.

To this end, **we contributed to the organization of the Fourth National Park Rangers Congress**, which brought together more than 200 park rangers from across the country and included the participation of government agencies and civil society organizations. This gathering allowed us to revive, after 13 years, a key platform for strengthening the work of park rangers at the national level. As part of the congress, we led panels on the situation of environmental defenders and on the equitable participation of women park rangers in the management of Protected Natural Areas.

Complementarily, through Rimay: Meeting of Protected Natural Areas Management Committees, **we promoted exchange and collective action among management committees of Amazonian, Andean, and marine-coastal ecosystems**. In four macro-regional editions held in Piura, Cusco, Huaraz, and Loreto, more than 100 representatives from 27 protected areas participated in these spaces for dialogue and learning, contributing to the identification of solutions to strengthen the management of these protected areas from the ground up.

Finally, as part of our work aimed at consolidating the protected areas system, we contributed through legal and communications efforts to the establishment of the Medio Putumayo Algodón Regional Conservation Area. This new area protects more than 283,000 hectares of Amazonian forests that account for 53% of Loreto's contribution to the national carbon stock, and whose conservation would prevent the deforestation of approximately 45,966 hectares of primary forest over the next twenty years.



+ We contributed to the strengthening of marine and coastal protected areas

Marine and coastal protected areas are essential for conserving biodiversity, ensuring sustainable fisheries, and building resilience to climate change. However, their management continues to face challenges related to limited scientific information and insufficient monitoring resources. In response, **we promote actions aimed at strengthening their management through an integrated approach that combining science, monitoring, and environmental education.**

The Dorsal de Nasca National Reserve, Peru's first fully marine protected area, safeguards underwater mountain ranges that remain largely unexplored. To help close knowledge gaps regarding deep-sea ecosystems, we spearheaded scientific research that achieved bathymetric mapping of more than 70% of the reserve. This information is essential for identifying the underwater topography and areas of high biodiversity, enabling the design of conservation and sustainable-use strategies grounded in technical evidence and aimed at strengthening ecosystem resilience.

Further north, in the Mar Tropical de Grau National Reserve, artisanal fishers and coastal communities continue to face the impacts of illegal fishing. To support control and surveillance efforts, we provided a vessel that will enable park rangers and artisanal fishers to strengthen patrol operations. In addition, we established the El Ñuro Interpretation Center, a key tool for strengthening environmental education and sustainable tourism.

Together, these initiatives **strengthened a management model that integrates scientific knowledge, participatory governance, and community engagement** to support the effective protection of Peru's marine and coastal ecosystems.



+ We promoted alternative conservation approaches for the Peruvian coast

In light of the growing challenges facing the Peruvian coast, strengthening conservation requires complementing protected areas with more flexible and locally tailored mechanisms. Within this framework, **we promote alternative conservation approaches that recognize the role of local governments and coastal communities** in the sustainable management of their ecosystems.

One such approach is environmental conservation areas (ACA, by its acronym in Spanish), a conservation mechanism for natural ecosystems established under Peru's Organic Law on Municipalities. At SPDA, **we have coordinated inter-institutional efforts** to establish an ACA in the Cashco-Infiernillo area, in Huarney (Áncash), a valuable and fragile coastal ecosystem that harbors unique biodiversity and provides essential ecosystem services, including water regulation and coastal protection.

In addition, **we initiated a multisectoral dialogue** to bring Other Effective Area-Based Conservation Measures (OECMs) into the public agenda. This conservation approach recognizes the sustainable management and conservation efforts implemented by communities and users within geographically defined areas, generating positive and sustained biodiversity conservation outcomes. OECMs also contribute to Peru's international conservation commitments, including the 30x30 initiative. At SPDA, we produced publications and facilitated dialogue with authorities, highlighting positive experiences such as those of the San Juan de Marcona Artisanal Fishing Community (COPMAR).

By promoting these approaches, **we contributed to modernize the country's marine conservation strategy through** flexible tools that respond to local realities and strengthen compliance with international commitments.



Fragile ecosystems

+ We engage children in the protection of endangered species and fragile ecosystems through environmental education

Environmental education starting from early childhood is key to fostering a citizenry committed to biodiversity conservation and ecosystem care. In this context, we continue our educational campaign “Calo: Discovering Our Ecosystems,” aimed at children, which combines in-person experiences, playful content, and accessible narratives to introduce them to the protection of fragile species and ecosystems.

As part of this initiative, **we developed various workshops**, notably “Amphibians, Masters of Water and Land,” conducted in collaboration with specialists from the Natural History Museum at Ricardo Palma University, where more than 30 children learned about the fundamental role amphibians play in the balance of terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems, sparking their curiosity and appreciation for these species. At the Conservamos por Naturaleza 2025 Festival, we organized the activity “Get to Know Peru’s Birds with Calo,” which featured the participation of Peru Women Birders (PWB), an organization composed of women specialists in bird conservation in Peru.

Finally, **we launched the children’s story “Calo and the Secret of the Dunes”**, a publication that invites young children to discover the importance of caring for marine and coastal ecosystems and to reflect on how their daily actions can contribute to the protection of wildlife.

In this way, **we strengthened the connection between children and environmental education and reaffirmed our commitment** to raising new generations who are aware and active in the defense of the country’s biodiversity and fragile ecosystems.



+ We combined international advocacy with local knowledge to conserve wetlands

The conservation of key ecosystems such as wetlands requires robust regulatory frameworks, applied scientific knowledge, and the active participation of local communities. In 2025, we contributed to this goal through monitoring, international advocacy, and **capacity-building efforts aimed at generating conservation-oriented knowledge.**

Following the adoption of the Law on the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Wetlands, its implementing regulations were approved in 2025, strengthening the framework for the defense and protection of these strategic and fragile ecosystems. This progress is essential to ensure water regulation, the safety of high-Andean and Amazonian communities, and water availability for the country's cities.

At the international level, **we promoted—together with partner organizations—the adoption of Motion 024**, “Declaration on the urgent preservation of high mountain wetlands in Latin America and other regions of the world”, before the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN). This initiative recognizes the role of wetlands in water regulation, disaster risk reduction, carbon sequestration, and biodiversity conservation, and warns of the growing pressures associated with human activities.

The adoption of this motion reflects a broad consensus among governments, the scientific community, civil society, and other stakeholders from more than 160 countries on the urgent need to protect high-mountain wetlands, **thereby strengthening their place on the global conservation agenda.**



+ We promoted applied research for the conservation of Lima's hills

Coastal hills face growing threats such as urban expansion, overgrazing, and illegal land trafficking. In response to this situation, we developed the course **“Saberes de Lomas: Toward Collective Conservation of Lima’s Hills”**, an initiative aimed at **strengthening the capacities of young researchers and integrating scientific knowledge with community participation.**

Over the course of two months, twenty young people strengthened their skills in developing projects related to the conservation of hills such as Lúcumo, Paraíso, and Ancón. The program integrated research, the use of emerging technologies—including artificial intelligence—and territorial validation with hill communities and local governments.

As a result, four projects were selected that will receive technical support from SPDA for implementation in 2026, contributing to the conservation and protection of the hills through a participatory and evidence-based approach.

Through this initiative, we promoted an applied research agenda that **strengthens the legal and territorial protection of the hills through knowledge, innovation, and collaborative work**



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Water

+ We strengthened women's leadership in water management

Water management faces growing challenges linked to climate change, regional inequality, and gaps in decision-making participation. In this context, strengthening the leadership of women—who have historically been involved in the care and management of water in their communities—is key to advancing toward more inclusive and sustainable water governance.

That is why we partnered with the organization Descosur to develop the latest edition of the ***Sinchi Warmi* program, a training initiative that strengthened the capacities of 40 women leaders from various provinces in Arequipa.** Over the course of three months, participants deepened their knowledge of water access rights, water security, climate change, nature-based solutions, and strategies for effective participation in decision-making spaces.

The women leaders came from the provinces of Caravelí, La Unión, Castilla, Caylloma, Arequipa, Condesuyos, and Islay, and represented local organizations, rural communities, associations, cooperatives, and water user committees. The program combined in-person and virtual sessions and incorporated a focus on rights, gender, and interculturality.

As part of the process, **the exchange of experiences with women leaders from other regions of the southern Andes was promoted,** contributing to the strengthening of women's networks for climate action and sustainable water management. With this edition, Sinchi Warmi reaffirmed its contribution to building a more just, participatory, and resilient water governance system.

+ Featured Stories

Mónica Ellis and the defense of the Chaviña wetlands

For more than two decades, Mónica Ellis has led efforts to protect the Chaviña wetlands (Arequipa), an ecosystem that is home to more than 99 bird species and forms an essential part of her community's identity.

Her work has not only contributed to the area's recognition as a conservation zone but has also fostered environmental awareness among new generations. Today, more than 30

children participate in workshops and cleanup activities, strengthening their connection to this ecosystem.

As part of the *Sinchi Warmi* program, Mónica has deepened her knowledge of water governance and environmental regulations. "Understanding the law for the protection of wetlands has helped me tell my community that we are not alone, that there are regulations protecting our wetlands, and that we must demand their enforcement", she emphasizes.





Photo: Alonso López / SPDA

Voluntary conservation

+ We engaged the public in voluntary conservation through the Conservamos por Naturaleza Festival 2025.

Voluntary conservation plays a key role in protecting ecosystems and fostering an active citizenry committed to caring for the land. In this context, The *Conservamos por Naturaleza* (We Conserve by Nature) Festival 2025 has established itself as the premier platform connecting voluntary conservation initiatives with the public.

The festival took place on October 4 at the Plaza Municipal in Barranco and brought together representatives of voluntary conservation initiatives from more than eleven regions of the country, as well as partners from civil society and the private sector. This event is part of a strategy to connect citizens with the experiences, lessons learned, and challenges faced by those who voluntarily protect ecosystems in Peru, through direct contact with the people behind these efforts.

The day featured a diverse and inclusive program, including 14 workshops for audiences of all ages, a sustainable market with more than 40 responsible businesses, talks, theater, batucada, and live music. Additionally, the Domo *Conservamos* was set up—an immersive audiovisual experience designed to foster a connection with nature and offer a mindful break from daily routines.

The *Conservamos Festival 2025* drew **more than 6,500 people**; it also brought together eight voluntary conservation networks and more than ten partner organizations from the public and private sectors. This event not only highlighted the diversity of citizen-led initiatives protecting nature but also strengthened collaborative networks and reaffirmed the value of voluntary conservation as an effective strategy for safeguarding the country's natural heritage.



Photo: Alonso López / SPDA

+ We strengthened nationwide voluntary conservation networks through the Amazonía Que Late gathering

Voluntary conservation depends on coordination among local initiatives, the exchange of knowledge, and the development of strong networks capable of scaling impact across territories. Within this context, we organized the *Amazonía Que Late* National Volunteer Conservation Conference as a strategic platform to strengthen capacities, foster connections, and build a shared vision among citizens committed to protecting nature.

The meeting took place on October 2 and 3, in partnership with *Amazónicas por la Amazonía* (AMPA), and brought together more than 150 representatives from voluntary conservation areas and initiatives across 15 regions of the country. Over the course of two days, participants exchanged experiences, highlighted community-based conservation efforts, and strengthened collaboration among local organizations through workshops, presentations, training sessions, and opportunities for dialogue.

The event helped consolidate the *Amazonía Que Late* Network, which brings together more than 180 voluntary conservation initiatives across 11 departments in Peru, and reinforced a shared agenda focused on the sustainable management of natural resources and strengthening the role of citizens in conservation. Beyond the technical exchange, the gathering served as a space for collective inspiration that reaffirmed the strength of local networks as a driving force for conservation in the country.



+ We placed voluntary conservation on the Latin American agenda

Voluntary conservation faces common challenges throughout the region that require opportunities for coordination, collective learning, and cooperation among networks and organizations. In this context, we co-organized the **13th Latin American Congress on Voluntary Conservation**—a key forum for strengthening the voluntary conservation movement at the regional level—in partnership with the Panamanian Association of Private Nature Reserves, the International Land Conservation Network (ILCN), and the Amazonía que Late network.

After seven years, the congress succeeded in bringing together networks, organizations, and leaders from across Latin America, gathering more than **130 participants from 17 countries**. Through presentations, participatory sessions, and field visits, the event facilitated the exchange of experiences, the formation of partnerships, and the **strengthening of capacities to advance voluntary conservation in diverse territorial contexts**.

This event consolidated our role and that of our partner networks as regional coordinators, and allowed us to showcase Peruvian experiences in voluntary conservation as models for Latin America, strengthening a common agenda focused on protecting ecosystems through citizen and community action.

+ Featured Stories

Maribel Pacco: the young quechua woman protecting the Andean bear with her community

In the Quechua community of Pillco Grande (Cusco), Maribel Pacco leads an initiative to protect the Andean bear in the Bosque de Pumataki Private Conservation Area. Thanks to the *Conservamos por Naturaleza* Scholarship, the community has installed camera traps and used GPS to generate unprecedented data on the species, strengthening local research and decision-making for its conservation.

The project has not only produced scientific knowledge but has also strengthened the sense of collective responsibility within the community, involving young people, women, and local leaders in monitoring and environmental education. “We are a community. We care for a space that belongs to everyone and to future generations,” says Maribel. The community aims to ensure that the Andean bear’s habitat within its Private Conservation Area is no longer affected by activities such as livestock ranching and agriculture.



3.3 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Sustainable investments

+ We raised awareness and oppose rollbacks in environmental standards

In recent years, various government agencies have pushed for measures that weaken environmental standards, undermining systems designed to prevent and control environmental impacts. Throughout 2025, **we raised awareness of and highlighted these attempts to roll back environmental standards, which jeopardize environmental quality, public health, and the protection of ecosystems.**

We identified the approval and expansion of environmental compliance instruments, such as the Detailed Environmental Plan, which allows for the regularization of activities that previously operated without prior environmental certification. This approach has been progressively adopted by various sectors, such as housing, hydrocarbons, mining, and electricity, and has recently been proposed for the industry and domestic trade sectors, consolidating a trend toward the relaxation of environmental assessment requirements.

Likewise, **we warned of the weakening of the National Environmental Impact Assessment System (SEIA),** stemming from decisions driven by MINAM that affect the autonomy and powers of the National Environmental Certification Service for Sustainable Investments (Senace). These include the creation of a reorganization commission led by the ministry itself and the reduction of Senace's authority to identify projects subject to priority assessment, transferring this decision to the sectors.

In response to this situation, **we have undertaken technical and communication advocacy efforts** to warn of the risks posed by these measures and to defend the need to maintain robust, independent environmental standards aligned with the public interest, as an indispensable condition for the effective protection of the environment and citizens' rights.



Extractive industries

+ We strengthened strategic litigation to defend the right to a healthy environment

Access to environmental justice and monitoring compliance with environmental obligations are fundamental pillars for guaranteeing the right to a healthy and balanced environment. In 2025, **we strengthened our role in high-impact strategic litigation**, particularly in following up on one of the country's worst environmental disasters.

In March, the Environmental Assessment and Enforcement Agency (OEFA) let us participate as an interested party in a new sanctioning proceeding against Repsol, related to the alleged failure to comply with a preventive measure linked to the oil spill that occurred in January 2022. With this inclusion, we actively participated in 16 administrative sanctioning proceedings associated with this case.

Our role as an interested party is innovative in the country and is key to strengthening environmental oversight. Through this role, **we constantly monitor regulatory compliance, legal deadlines, and the authorities' duty of care, ensuring that proceedings are resolved in a timely manner and in accordance with the law.**

Four years after the spill, the administrative process has not yet been concluded. Through our legal and advocacy work, **we continue to push for the effective rehabilitation of the affected areas**, the protection of the impacted ecosystems, and the rigorous enforcement of environmental justice, reaffirming our commitment to defending the public interest and environmental rights.



Photo: HAZia por tu Playa / SPDA

Sustainable cities

+ We promoted a comprehensive agenda to address plastic pollution

Plastic pollution is one of the main threats to the oceans, biodiversity, and human health. In 2025, **we established an institutional strategy to address this issue through** a comprehensive approach that integrates research, public advocacy, strategic communication, and participation in international forums.

In recent years, SPDA **promoted analyses and proposals aimed at strengthening the regulatory framework on solid waste and the circular economy**, fostering the effective implementation of existing policies and greater coherence between international commitments and public action in the country. In 2025, we continued this work through international advocacy efforts and technical analysis

At the global level, we participated in the fifth session of the Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee (INC 5.2) to draft the content of a global agreement aimed at ending plastic pollution, both on land and at sea, incorporating clear obligations throughout the entire plastic life cycle. As part of civil society, we provided technical monitoring of the process, participated in plenary sessions and coordination forums, and generated specialized materials to inform the public and strengthen the national position in response to this global crisis.

We also developed informational and opinion pieces that helped shape the public debate on the environmental and climate impacts of plastic pollution, establishing SPDA as a leading voice in addressing this issue.



+ We introduced “Pedalea Seguro”, a campaign to promote safer cities for cyclists

Promoting sustainable and safe transportation alternatives is becoming increasingly urgent and necessary. In this context, our *Pedalea Seguro* (Ride Safe) campaign was one of the three winning initiatives of the Healthy Cycling Challenge, organized globally by Cities for Better Health (Novo Nordisk) and the European Cyclists' Federation, standing out among more than 200 proposals.

Thanks to this recognition, throughout 2026 we will work in Lima, Trujillo, and Tacna **to gather information, develop proposals, and strengthen coordination among stakeholders**, helping to establish cycling as a safe mobility option in these cities. This work is being carried out in collaboration with cycling groups and users to promote cycling as a healthy, safe, inclusive, and sustainable mode of transportation.

3.4 COMMUNICATION

+ We reaffirmed our commitment to an informed public

An informed public is one of the pillars of our democracy. That is why, throughout 2025, we continued working to ensure our message reaches beyond beneficiaries and funders to a broader audience. With this in mind, through our institutional channels, we achieved over 9 million views on social media and more than 200,000 interactions. Additionally, we recorded 192,000 visits and 671,000 interactions on SPDA website, consolidating our digital spaces as key platforms for public environmental debate.

Through *Actualidad Ambiental*, our specialized journalism platform, **we continued to provide sustained and rigorous coverage of the national environmental agenda.** During the year, the site recorded 922,000 visits and over 3 million interactions, while its social media channels surpassed 4 million views and 160,000 interactions, expanding the reach of accessible, evidence-based environmental information.

Through the *Conservamos por Naturaleza* initiative, we helped raise awareness of and strengthen voluntary conservation initiatives, as well as provide opportunities for citizen engagement in concrete actions. As a result, by 2025, the initiative's social media channels collectively reached 93,705 followers and 6,535,387 views, reflecting a growing interest in citizen-driven conservation.

Our visibility was also reflected in 306 appearances in digital and traditional media—television, radio, and print media—where we provided technical analysis and proposals on ocean protection, the impacts of extractive activities, the conservation of protected natural areas, Indigenous peoples, water security, wildlife, and other topics on the public agenda.

Our communication impact in figures

9M+

views on SPDA
social media

200k+

interactions on SPDA
social media

190k+

visits to the
institutional website

4M+

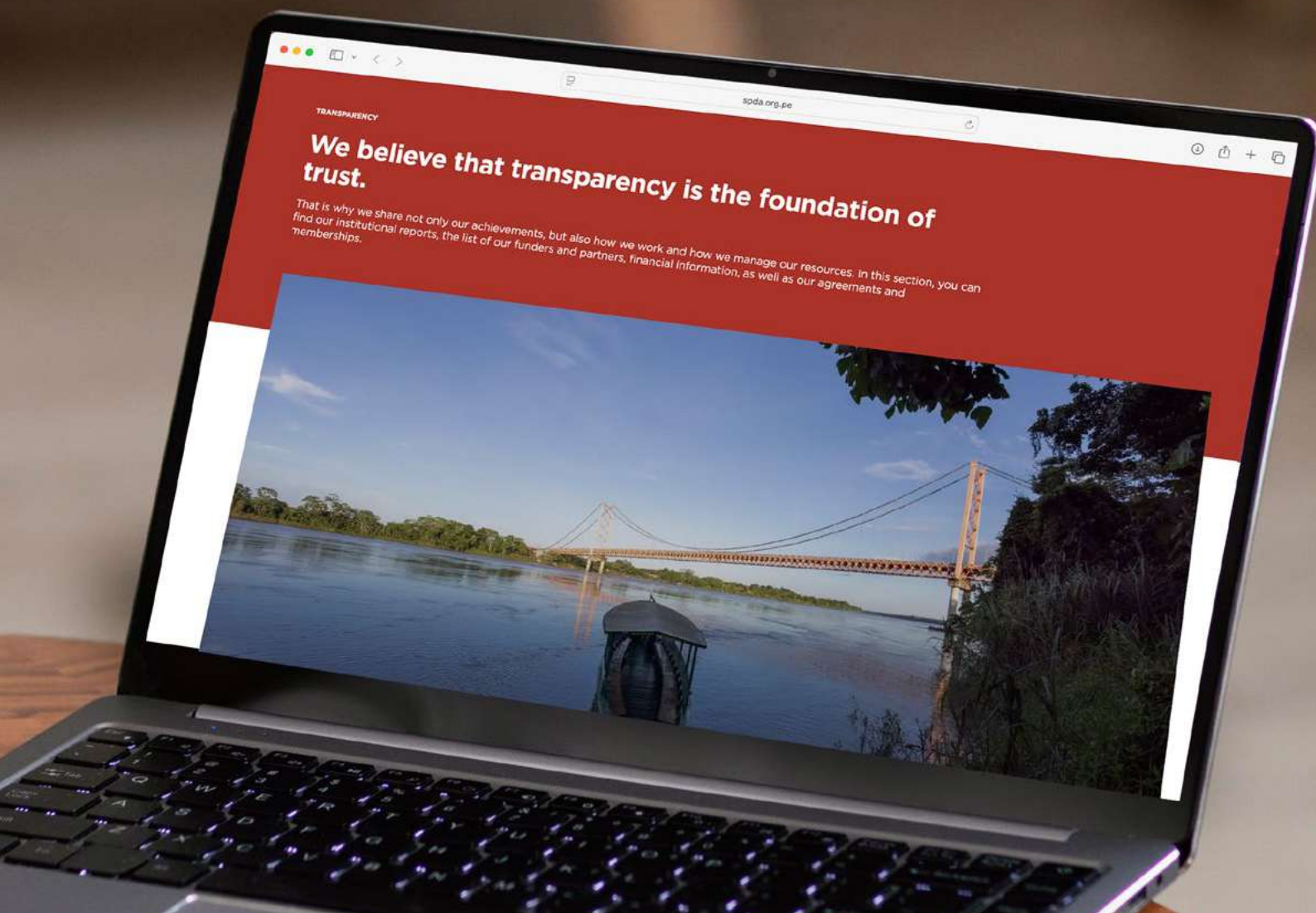
views on *Actualidad
Ambiental* social media

922k+

visits to the *Actualidad
Ambiental* website

306+

appearances in
national media



+ We strengthened our commitment to transparency

Transparency is the foundation of trust and a guiding principle of our work. In 2025, we developed and launched a dedicated Transparency section on our institutional website, with the aim of **strengthening our standing among partners, funders, the public sector, and the general public.**

This new section organizes key information about our management and governance in a clear and accessible manner: institutional reports, a list of funders and partners, agreements and memberships, audited financial statements, as well as our internal policies regarding organizational culture, talent management, and administration. With this initiative, we renew our commitment to responsible, open, and results-based management, consolidating the institutional credibility built over 40 years of work.

+ We brought environmental information to the public through the *Actualidad Ambiental* magazine

In a context of growing misinformation, polarization, and oversimplification of the public debate on environmental issues, strengthening spaces for rigorous and accessible analysis has become a strategic priority. In 2025, we launched the first issue of the magazine *Actualidad Ambiental*, a new publication aimed at **bringing environmental issues to broader audiences**, without technical barriers or inaccessible language.

The magazine seeks to **contribute to a better-informed public, capable of reflecting on what is happening in our forests, rivers, seas, cities, and communities**, and on how these processes directly impact people's quality of life. In this way, it complements and enhances the journalistic work that *Actualidad Ambiental* has been carrying out continuously since 2009 on its digital platform, expanding formats and deepening the analysis of the country's main environmental challenges.

+ We Support the Empowerment of Indigenous Communicators in Loreto

Communication plays a key role in defending territory, protecting collective rights, and raising awareness of the challenges faced by Indigenous peoples. In Amazonian contexts, strengthening the communication skills of Indigenous youth is essential to expanding their participation in public discourse and contributing to more democratic and inclusive environmental governance.

In this context, from August 14 to 17, 2025, we implemented the Indigenous Communicators Program in Loreto for the first time, targeting ten young people from the Shawi, Achuar, Kukama Kukamiria, and Kichwa peoples. Through a theoretical-practical training program, participants strengthened their skills in writing, social media management, photography, and video production, while also incorporating tools to practice communication from a human rights and security perspective—a particularly relevant approach in high-risk contexts within their territories.

The program featured trainers from various disciplines and was conducted with an intercultural approach, establishing itself as a platform for promoting young Indigenous talent in the Amazon. An innovative component of this edition was the participation of three outstanding graduates from the program previously held in Madre de Dios, who took on the role of mentors, accompanying the participants, **fostering intergenerational exchange, and strengthening professional development.**

+ Featured Stories

Eddy Menkorie: the young voice strengthening the Harakbut identity

At the age of 25, Eddy Menkorie Patiachi, a Harakbut communicator, assumed the presidency of the Organization of Indigenous Youth and Students of Madre de Dios (Ojeimad), establishing himself as a leading figure in Indigenous youth leadership in the region. Through short documentaries on traditional fishing and the use of huito, he has helped to revitalize ancestral practices, strengthen cultural identity, and raise awareness of the reality of the Indigenous communities of Madre de Dios in national and international forums.

His journey was strengthened by his participation in the Indigenous Communicators Program, promoted by SPDA with support from the Native Federation of the Madre de Dios River and Tributaries (Fenamad), where he developed technical and strategic tools to use communication as a mechanism for advocacy and the defense of rights. Today, as president of Ojeimad, he promotes organization, training, and communication as the cornerstones of Indigenous youth leadership.





+ We expanded the communication and advocacy capacities of fishing organizations nationwide

Strategic communication is a key tool for artisanal fishing organizations to **strengthen their advocacy efforts, raise awareness of their demands, and participate meaningfully in the sectoral decision-making processes.** In this context, we expanded the reach of the “Communications Course for Fishing Organizations” to include organizations from northern and southern Peru.

Between May and November, we conducted training modules with organizations in Lambayeque—including the *Cooperativa San José*, the *Asociación de Mujeres Armadoras y Pescadoras Artesanales*, and the women-led enterprises *Sanjosefinas Emprendedoras* and *Joyas del Mar*—as well as with organizations in Ilo (Moquegua), including the *Asociación Única de Pescadores Artesanales Buzos Pulmoneros del Puerto de Ilo* y la *Asociación de Armadoras, Bahías y Pescadores Innovadoras del Sur*. The modules, developed as part of the “Communications Course for Fishing Organizations,” aimed to strengthen skills in public speaking, public presentations, and audiovisual content production, encouraging the organizations to communicate their own stories and amplify the voice of the sector.

As a result of this process, participating organizations **strengthened their communication strategies and social media presence**, improving their ability to communicate their agendas, engage with authorities, and strengthen their voice within the artisanal fishing sector.

3.5 KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT

+ We trained new talent committed to environmental law

Training new generations of professionals is key to strengthening environmental protection and environmental justice in the country. For more than two decades, **we have promoted specialized training programs** that help expand the technical skills, critical thinking, and ethical commitment of young people interested in environmental law.

In 2025, we held the 24th edition of the Environmental Law Workshop, a free, specialized, and decentralized training program that brought together 102 students and recent graduates from law and related fields from various regions of Peru. Over the course of nearly three months and 27 sessions, participants strengthened their knowledge on key environmental law topics such as climate change, environmental governance, natural resource management, and human rights.

The workshop featured national and international experts from the public, private, and civil society sectors and promoted applied research, critical analysis, and collaboration among students. As part of the process, participants developed academic research papers aimed at proposing legal solutions to specific environmental problems. As a result, 69 students successfully completed the program.

Additionally, 22 outstanding participants were selected to continue their training at SPDA Environmental Law Clinic, where they will be able **to apply the knowledge they have acquired to design legal strategies for addressing real environmental challenges**. With this new edition, the Environmental Law Workshop reaffirms its role as a key platform for training young talent and strengthening environmental law in Peru.



Photo: Yessenia Coronel / SPDA

+ We coordinated the work of environmental law clinics to advance environmental justice

The clinical method has established itself as an effective tool for linking legal education with the defense of public-interest environmental cases. Within this framework, **we promoted the work of environmental law clinics** as a strategic space for the practical application of the law and the strengthening of environmental justice, from the classroom to the field.

In 2025, we strengthened our work with legal clinics at the national and regional levels. At the regional level, **we actively participated in the Fourth Meeting of the Alliance of Environmental Law Clinics of Latin America and the Caribbean**, held in Mexico, which brought together representatives from more than 40 clinics in 15 countries to exchange experiences and best practices in democracy and environmental justice.

At the national level, **we organized the first edition of SPDA Environmental Law Clinic Workshop**, aimed at outstanding graduates of the Environmental Law Workshop. Over the course of ten sessions, participants designed legal strategies to address real-world cases related to marine pollution, extractive industries, and waste management. Among these, the case of the geotubes at the Chancay Megaport was addressed; our technical analysis and advocacy efforts contributed to the removal of these elements by the responsible company.

Finally, in September, **the creation of the Network of Environmental Law Clinics of Peru was announced**, for which we assumed the secretariat alongside the Universidad Científica del Sur and the Universidad Nacional San Agustín (UNSA). This network consolidates a collective commitment by universities and clinics to promote the clinical method and strengthen environmental justice in the country.

+ Featured Stories

Rocío Mancha, the young woman who rediscovered her passion for environmental law

The SPDA Environmental Law Workshop marked a turning point in the professional journey of Rocío Mancha, a law graduate from Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú (PUCP). In 2023, after passing a rigorous selection process, she found in the program not only specialized training in environmental issues but also the clarity to focus her career on environmental law. The experience strengthened her academic confidence and broadened her perspective on interculturality and socio-environmental management.

“For students who are not in the field of law—such as communications professionals or engineers—it’s incredibly useful because it gives you a solid and understandable foundation

in the environmental framework,” notes Rocío. Her story reflects the impact of this educational program, which over more than two decades has trained 600 young people from various disciplines.

The lessons from the Environmental Law Workshop continue to guide Rocío. Since 2024, she has been part of the PUCP Environmental Law Clinic, a space that has allowed her to conduct legal research, debate environmental regulations, and draft legal documents.

She recently participated in key events, such as the Fourth Meeting of the Latin American and Caribbean Environmental Law Clinic. In addition, she was selected for an internship at the McGill Transnational Justice Clinic, where she strengthened her expertise in environmental law, human rights, and internation





+ We strengthened legal capacities for improved fisheries governance

Strengthening the fisheries sector requires both professionals with a solid legal background and fishers who are able to exercise their rights and fulfill their responsibilities in an informed manner. In 2025, **we launched two complementary training programs in fisheries law aimed at key stakeholders in the sector.**

First, the sixth edition of the Fisheries Law Training Course concluded. The course was organized in partnership with the Universidad Científica del Sur under the framework of *Por la Pesca* Alliance and with support from the Walton Family Foundation. Forty-seven professionals—including biologists, fisheries engineers, and lawyers from the public, private, and civil society sectors— participated in the program, including 25 public officials. The course addressed key topics such as the legal protection of the marine environment, marine conservation, and the status of strategic fisheries such as jumbo flying squid and mahi-mahi, strengthening technical capacities for decision-making and the sustainable management of the sector.

In addition, **we conducted two editions of the Fisheries Law Course for fishers in Lambayeque**, aimed at vessel owners, divers, artisanal fishers, including women and men working in the sector . Designed in accessible language and organized into four modules—the legal framework of the sector, formalization, fisheries management, and enforcement—the course incorporated a participatory methodology that recognized the participants' own experience and knowledge. This initiative sought to make fisheries law more accessible and promote formal and responsible fishing practices aligned with the protection of marine ecosystems.



+ We awarded two grants for research and the development of conservation projects

Since 2021, we have provided grants aimed at promoting research and strengthening conservation initiatives, specifically through **the *Conservamos por Naturaleza* Scholarship and the Mar del Perú Scholarship**. These are awarded annually as part of the Carlos Ponce del Prado Conservation Award, a significant recognition of the efforts of those working to conserve natural areas and biodiversity in the country.

Natalia Córdor Núñez, a forest engineer and project coordinator for the Peruvian Primatology Team, won the *Conservamos por Naturaleza* Grant. Through her proposed project, she will generate key information for the conservation of the *Aotus nancymae* “musmuqui” in Uchiza (San Martín) via field campaigns and environmental education activities with schoolchildren. Additionally, she will promote the future designation of the Sarita Colonia Farm as a private conservation area (ACP).

For her part, Karla Quispe Ramos, an environmental educator, will implement an educational kit that combines science, art, and technology. Focused on kelp forests, the initiative seeks to strengthen knowledge and foster a deeper connection between schoolchildren and the marine biodiversity of the Paracas National Reserve.

Both projects **strengthen environmental education and generate key knowledge for ecosystem conservation**. Through these initiatives, they promote stronger connections between communities and their natural environment while fostering a culture of respect for biodiversity. They stand as examples of commitment and leadership, inspiring new generations to care for nature and take an active role in its protection.

+ Featured Stories

Huayo Forest: Where Conservation and Education Are Transforming the Amazo

Just 30 minutes from Iquitos, the Huayo Forest Private Conservation Area protects ten hectares of unique ecosystems, such as the white sand forest, while rescuing and rehabilitating iconic species like the manatee and the White-faced Capuchin monkey. Thanks to the Conservamos por Naturaleza Grant, it strengthened its educational program and interpretive trail to bring conservation closer to more people.

Each year, more than 15,000 children visit this site to learn about Amazonian biodiversity and commit to its protection. "Conservation involves not only rescue and rehabilitation, but also education," emphasizes Juan Sánchez Babilonia, co-founder of the project. In Huayo, direct experience with nature translates into awareness and action for the future of the Amazon.





+ We support youth-led initiatives in Latin America

In 2025, **we have supported youth-led conservation initiatives** throughout Latin America. This is the case with the projects selected for the Aceleradores por Naturaleza program.

In Peru, Sarai Cortez seeks to protect humpback whales in Piura and Tumbes through sustainable tourism, engaging guides in best practices and scientific data collection. Meanwhile, Kerenda Zambrano is conserving the ancient forest of the Kerenda Homet Private Conservation Area in Madre de Dios, where she plans to create an interpretation center based on a children's story to educate visitors and ensure the area's financial sustainability. In Chile, Rocío Contreras has a project to conserve the zorro chilote, a species endemic to the Valdivian Forest, by reducing the threat posed by domestic dogs in protected areas through educational outreach and direct support for dog owners. Additionally, we supported the Youth Network of the Manu Biosphere Reserve, who were part of Accelerators for Nature 2024, in consolidating their work through leadership and teamwork workshops and by facilitating exchanges they organized in partnership with other Biosphere Reserves and Unesco.

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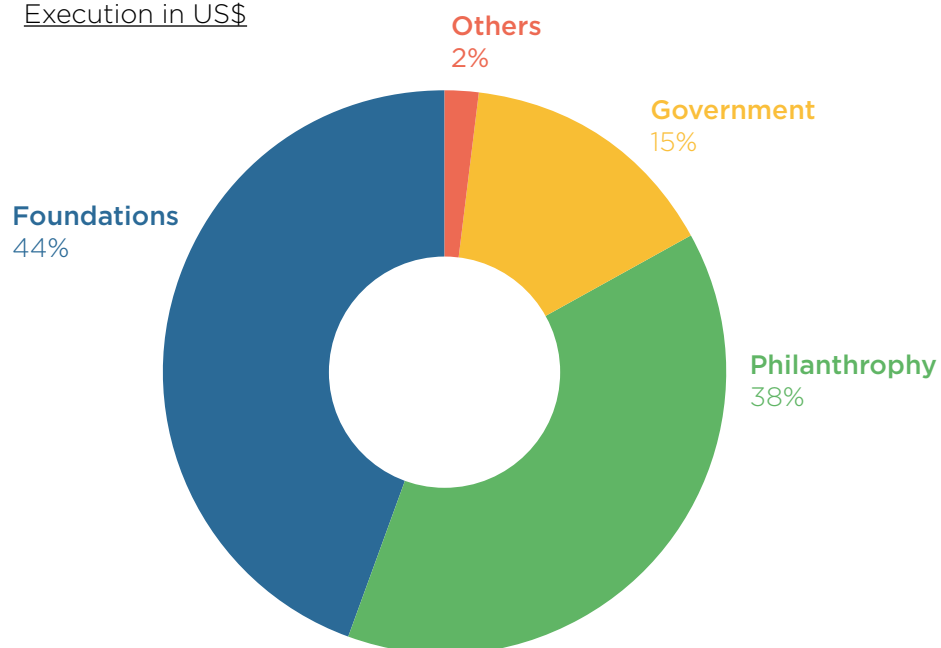
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In 2025, our total revenue was **\$6.7 million (USD)**. The majority of our funding came from foundations and philanthropic organizations.

Source of Funds	Amount in USD
Philanthropy	2,560,788
Foundations	2,973,945
Government	1,038,143
Others	130,485
Grand total	6,703,360

Execution in US\$



OUR PARTNERS



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Our work is built on strategic partnerships founded on trust, transparency, and the pursuit of sustainable results. In 2025, we had the support of **26 funders** who made it possible to implement our programs and initiatives at the national and international levels.

We also maintain **10 active agreements** with public entities and are part of **23 national and international networks and alliances**, which strengthen our capacity for advocacy, technical coordination, and multisectoral collaboration.

Funding Partners

- + CAF America
- + CIFOR-ICRAF
- + Center for International Forestry Research
- + Climate and Land Use Alliance
- + Conservation International
- + Environmental Defense Fund Inc
- + Global Greengrants Fund
- + Forest Trends Association
- + Fidelity Charitable
- + Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation
- + Help Peru
- + Institute of Peruvian Studies (FIF - PERU Project)
- + IUCN National Committee of the Netherlands (IUCN NL)
- + National Philanthropic Trust
- + Novo Nordisk A/S
- + Oceankind
- + ReWild
- + Save the Children International
- + Silicon Valley Community Foundation
- + German Society for International Cooperation (GIZ)
- + Stichting SUB3
- + The Nature Conservancy
- + The New Venture Fund
- + U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)
- + Walton Family Foundation
- + World Animal Protection

Agreements

- + Peruvian Institute of the Sea - Imarpe
- + Ombudsman's Office
- + General Directorate of Port Authorities and Coast Guard - DICAPI
- + Ministry of Culture
- + Public Prosecutor's Office - Attorney General's Office
- + Supervisory Agency for Forest and Wildlife Resources - Osinfor
- + National Environmental Certification Service for Sustainable Investments - SENACE
- + National Forestry and Wildlife Service - Serfor
- + National Service of Natural Areas Protected by the State - Sernanp
- + Toribio Rodríguez de Mendoza National University of Amazonas

Memberships

- + Alliance of Environmental Legal Clinics of Latin America and the Caribbean
- + North Amazon Alliance - ANA
- + AquaFondo - The Water Fund for Lima
- + Inter-American Association for Environmental Defense (AIDA) + Consortium for Economic and Social Research - CIES
- + Forest Stewardship Council - FSC
- + Cities for Life Forum
- + Global Water Partnership
- + Interfaith Initiative for Tropical Forests
- + International Land Conservation Network
- + Institute of Nature, Earth, and Energy (INTE-PUCP)
- + Ocean & Climate Platform
- + Board of Trustees of the Tambopata National Reserve Management Committee
- + Amazonía Que Late Network
- + Peruvian Environmental Network
- + Regional Network - Escazú Allies
- + Surf Conservation Partnership
- + The Access Initiative
- + Universidad Científica del Sur - UCSUR
- + International University of La Rioja in Mexico
- + International Union for Conservation of Nature - IUCN
- + Waterkeeper Alliance
- + Wyss Academy for Nature

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PUBLICATIONS

↓ **Water Parks in Peru: Analysis of Environmental Regulations**

Authors: Wendy Ancieta, Vera Morveli, and Grecia Medina

January 2025

Water parks are floating facilities featuring inflatable play structures used by the public for recreational purposes. This report reviews the environmental regulations governing such projects and analyzes the requirements for their installation and operation, using as a reference the water parks installed in Peru as of March 2024.

↓ **Declaration of Human Rights Defenders** **Authors: SPDA, Paz y Esperanza, Acción por los Niños, MOLACNNATS, REDNNYAS, Yo también tengo algo que decir, with support from Save the Children.**

January 2025

This publication presents a child- and youth-friendly version of the “Declaration on Human Rights Defenders,” a United Nations document that recognizes that all people, including children and adolescents, have the right to promote the protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms, both in their own countries and throughout the world.

↓ **Legal Opinion on the Legislation Proposing Amendments to the Law Establishing the Peruvian Agency for International Cooperation (APCI)**

Author: SPDA

March 2025

On March 12, 2025, the Congress of the Republic approved the legislation amending the APCI Law. The purported objective was to strengthen oversight and ensure transparency in the use of international cooperation funds. This legal opinion presents an analysis of the legislation, highlighting provisions that seriously undermine the autonomy of civil society, restrict access to funding, and jeopardize the right to freedom of association.

↓ **Analysis of the Approval Process for Benthic Extraction Plan: The Declaration of Interest**

Author: Diego Campos

March 2025

Benthic extraction plans in Peru are part of a co-management model based on the allocation of use rights. This report analyzes the approval process for the Declaration of Interest, which constitutes the first step in the implementation of extraction plans. It also identifies bottlenecks affecting the process and proposes a series of alternative solutions.

↓ **BBNJ Agreement. An Opportunity for Marine Biodiversity**

Author: SPDA

May 2025

The Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ) Agreement seeks to ensure the conservation and sustainable use of marine biodiversity in areas beyond the national jurisdiction of States, which, generally speaking and in the Peruvian context, begin beyond 200 nautical miles. This document outlines the Agreement’s main scope and key provisions.

Human Rights and the Legal Protection of the Ocean: Specific Obligations of the Peruvian State

↓ **Authors: Jimpson Dávila and Juan Carranza**

May 2025

This publication analyzes the critical interrelationship between ocean health and the realization of human rights. For a country like Peru, with its exceptional marine wealth and the deep dependence of its population and economy on the resources and services provided by the ocean, examining this connection is both necessary and urgent.

↓ **SPDA's proposals for the New Environmental Emergency Declaration Framework**

Authors: Carol Mora, Wendy Ancieta, Vera Morveli, Luis Zari, and Jean Pierre Araujo

May 2025

This legal report highlights key points that the draft regulations for the “Environmental Emergency Declaration Act (DEA)”—Law 32106—must address to align with the Act’s objective: ensuring concrete, immediate, and timely responses to address environmental emergencies before, during, and after the event.

↓ **Manual of Best Practices for Onboard Handling and Preservation**

Author: Carlos Olivares

June 2025

This manual presents best practices for the onboard handling and preservation on board of hydrobiological resources, primarily jumbo flying squid and mahi-mahi, caught through artisanal fishing. It is intended for owners of artisanal fishing vessels seeking in obtaining sanitary formalization, as well as their crews.

↓ **Hygiene and Sanitation Manual for Fishing Vessels**

Author: Carlos Olivares

June 2025

This manual outlines the procedures that fishing vessels engaged in extraction, storing, and transporting aquatic resources from artisanal fisheries must follow to ensure the hygiene and safety of their catch. It is intended for owners of artisanal fishing vessels seeking health certification, as well as their crews.

↓ **Manual of Best Practices for Onboard Handling and Preservation: Marine Benthic Invertebrates**

Author: Carlos Olivares

June 2025

This manual presents best practices for onboard handling and preservation of hydrobiological products, primarily benthic marine invertebrates, extracted through artisanal fishing. It is intended for owners of artisanal fishing vessels seeking sanitary formalization, as well as their crews.

↓ **Hygiene and Sanitation Manual for Fishing Vessels: Benthic Marine Invertebrates**

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↓ **SPDA's Contributions to the Draft National Biodiversity Strategy to 2050**

Author: SPDA

June 2025

This legal report compiles the contributions from a participatory process on the National Biodiversity Strategy to 2050, with the aim of fostering discussion, disseminating its contents, and highlighting opportunities for improvement that will enable progress toward more effective and coordinated management and conservation of biodiversity in Peru.

↓ **Climate Change Matters: A Youth-Friendly Guide to the COPs**

Authors: Angélica Gómez, Rocío Mancha, and Claudia Cueva

July 2025

This document aims to explain what the Conferences of the Parties on Climate Change (COP) are, using language accessible to teenagers, young people, and anyone seeking basic knowledge about this forum for climate action. This accessible version was developed in collaboration with Acción por los Niños and the Interdistrict Network of School Municipalities, with support from Save the Children.

↓ **Protected Areas Under Threat: Proposed Bill Represents a Setback for Biodiversity Protection in Protected Areas**

Author: SPDA

July 2025

This legal report analyzes and presents the arguments explaining why Bill 11822/2024-CR, introduced by Congressman Jorge Luis Flores Ancachi to amend Law No. 26834, “Law on Protected Natural Areas,” would represent a setback for environmental institutions and the biodiversity protection mechanisms developed in our country over the past 20 years.

↓ **Transforming Trade: Building Evidence to End Illegal Wildlife Trade in Peru and Promote Alternative Livelihoods**

Authors: SPDA, World Animal Protection
July 2025

Every year, the Illegal Wildlife Trade (IWT) in Peru threatens species conservation, public health, and the well-being of thousands of animals throughout the Amazon region. This innovative research project used a novel approach to gather the evidence needed to foster positive change in human behavior and encourage both consumers and sellers to move away from this type of trade.

↓ **Toward a Peru Free of Plastic Pollution**

Author: SPDA
August 2025

Plastic pollution poses a growing threat to the environment, health, and livelihoods worldwide. It is estimated that more than 150 million tons of plastic are in the oceans. This document presents SPDA's comprehensive strategy to address various aspects of this problem through a coordinated approach that involves stakeholders from across society: the public and private sectors and the general public.

↓ **Balance and reflections on the National Environmental Impact Assessment System as of 2025**

Authors: Carol Mora, Wendy Ancieta, and Vera Morveli
August 2025

This report presents an analysis of the National Environmental Impact Assessment System (SEIA), including the progress and challenges the system has faced at the institutional and legal levels. The document reviews the system's evolution and the rationale for its creation, and proposes improvements such as incorporating a human rights approach, transparency, and open government.

↓ **"El Tamaño Sí importa" Recommendation System**

Author: Fabio Castagnino
September 2025

More than 10 years after its initial release, the *El Tamaño Sí importa* ("Size Does Matter") guide presents its second edition. This updated edition introduces a consumer recommendation system based on an objective evaluation framework designed with a high level of technical rigor and supported by available scientific information. This document provides a detailed description of the evaluation framework on which the ETSI recommendation system is based.

↓ **Guide to Responsible Fish Consumption: El Tamaño Sí importa**

Author: SPDA
September 2025

More than 10 years after its initial release, the *Guide to Responsible Fish Consumption: El Tamaño Sí importa* remains a benchmark for consumers and chefs across Peru. This new edition includes updated information on minimum catch sizes and closed seasons, as well as consumption recommendations for each species based on a more rigorous technical assessment. To promote more diverse and informed consumer choices, the guide also incorporates new culinary recommendations.

↓ **Assessment Matrix. El Tamaño Sí importa.**

Author: Fabio Castagnino
September 2025

This publication compiles the scientific analysis and comparative literature supporting the assessment of consumption indicators for each hydrobiological resource presented in the guide. It constitutes the technical foundation underlying the recommendations included in the *El Tamaño Sí Importa* Guide.

↓ **For the Sea of Peru we want: Essays from the 2024 Fisheries Law Training Course**

Authors: Luis Fernando Leyva Morillas; Ruth Luque Ibarra and Gabriela Villanueva Cáceres
September 2025

This publication brings together the three best essays developed as part of the 2024 Fisheries Law Training Course, exploring key marine and fisheries issues that require urgent attention. The selected essays address topics such as the management of marine protected areas, the illegal diversion of anchovy catches, and the recognition of new conservation approaches. They also propose concrete solutions from a strategic perspective.

↓ **Manual on the Right of Access to Information and Open Government in Environmental Matters**

Authors: Pamela Ramirez; Diana Suárez, and Fátima Contreras
September 2025

This practical guide to accessing public information on environmental matters aims to inform, guide, and make the exercise of this right more accessible to the public, while strengthening transparency in environmental management. The manual is intended for citizens, organizations, government officials, and anyone interested in learning how to effectively access environmental information.

↓ **Formalization Is Worth It: Results of a Cost-Benefit Analysis**

Authors: Danny Avilés, Marylia Vargas, and Jackeline Reyes

September 2025

Artisanal fishing is the most important economic activity in the district of San José, Lambayeque, where more than 80% of vessel owners have successfully formalized their boats. This document presents the results of the cost-benefit analysis conducted in July 2024 to assess the economic benefits of formalization and the challenges associated with accessing it.

↓ **Manual on the Right of Access to Information in Environmental Oversight**

Authors: Katherine Melgar; Diana Suárez and Fátima

September 2025

This practical manual aims to inform and guide the public on the right to access information in the environmental oversight process. It provides key information on the channels for accessing environmental information, the obligations of responsible entities, and the use of information obtained within the framework of environmental oversight.

↓ **Legal Opinion on the APCI Law Regulations and its New Regulations on Violations and Sanctions**

Authors: SPDA

September 2025

In the context of the enactment, validity, and effectiveness of the APCI Law, we formulated a series of legal arguments highlighting the flagrant restrictions on the work and rights of civil society organizations. In this document, we detail the most relevant aspects regarding the implications of the new regulations published on September 14, 2025, which complement the effects of the APCI Law.

↓ **The BBNJ Agreement and Area-Based Management Tools**

Authors: Jimpson Dávila, Nicol Vásquez, and Juan Carranza

September 2025

This document highlights the tools provided by this international agreement to protect, preserve, restore, and maintain marine biological and ecosystems beyond national jurisdiction. It also analyzes area-based management mechanisms, particularly marine protected areas.

↓ **Declaration of Human Rights Defenders**

Authors: SPDA

October 2025

This publication provides a user-friendly version of the "Declaration on Human Rights Defenders." This version was developed as part of the project Inclusive Protection of Environmental Defenders in the Amazon (PIDDA), implemented by IUCN NL and SPDA, with support from the Agence Française de Développement (AFD). It is an adaptation of the original guide aimed at children and adolescents, developed by the Civil Society Support Program (PASC).

↓ **In Defense of Territory and the Environment**

Author: SPDA

October 2025

This document compiles information and legal instruments to support the protection of human rights defenders dedicated to safeguarding the environment and territory in Peru. Through this publication and a series of training sessions, we seek to contribute to improving access to protection and justice mechanisms for those who defend the environment and territory.

↓ **Legal Opinion on the New OEFA Oversight Regulation: Analysis of the Main Regulatory Changes**

Authors: Wendy Ancieta and Vera Morveli

October 2025

This report contains a legal analysis of the content and scope of the new OEFA Oversight Regulation, evaluating its main regulatory changes and the areas that require greater precision to ensure preventive environmental oversight that is, above all, consistent with the right to a healthy and balanced environment.

↓ **Legal Opinion: Bill Amending Law No. 28736, Law for the Protection of Indigenous Peoples in Isolation and Initial Contact**

Author: SPDA

October 2025

On August 29, 2025, Congressman Juan Carlos Moris Celis introduced Bill No. 12215/2025-CR, which proposes amendments to Law No. 28736, the Law for the Protection of Indigenous Peoples in Isolation and Initial Contact. The Congressional Committee on Andean, Amazonian and Afro-Peruvian Peoples, Environment and Ecology requested a legal opinion from SPDA. This legal opinion sought to contribute to the legislative review and assessment process carried out by the Congress of the Republic within the scope of its powers.

↓ **Environmental Justice in Latin America and the Caribbean**

Author: SPDA

October 2025

This publication brings together research by experts from seven countries — Peru, Colombia, Mexico, Brazil, Argentina, Chile, and Costa Rica — on the progress, challenges, and opportunities involved in guaranteeing the right to a healthy environment in the region. The publication seeks to strengthen academic discussion and promote more specialized, accessible, and equitable judicial systems, reaffirming SPDA's commitment to building a fairer, more democratic, and sustainable Latin American region.

↓ **Calo and the Secret of the Dunes**

Author: SPDA

November 2025

This children's story aims to introduce girls and boys to the importance of protecting the marine-coastal ecosystem and, above all, to inspire their curiosity and commitment to environmental protection. Through the character of Calo, the coastal fox, the story invites young readers to discover how their actions can help protect one of the most emblematic species of our marine wildlife.

↓ **Our Voices Matter: Participation of Latin American Children in the Face of the Climate Crisis**

Authorship: SPDA, REDNNyAS, and MOLACNATs

November 2025

On May 24, 2025, two adolescents representing networks of children and adolescents from Latin America and the Caribbean made history by participating in a public hearing before the Inter-American Court of Human Rights (IACHR), where they explained how the climate crisis impacts their rights. This report, produced as part of Save the Children's Civil Society Support Program (PASC), aims to inspire more children, adolescents, and organizations to participate in climate and human rights advocacy efforts.

↓ **Guidelines and Best Practices for the Conservation of Surf Ecosystems**

Authors: Arroyo Mara, Atkinson Scott R., Butrich Carolina, Lepinard Lucas, Miller Marissa Anne S., Monteferri Bruno, Zumbado Laura

November 2025

This document was prepared by Save The Waves Coalition (STW), Conservation International (CI), and SPDA with funding from the Global Environment Facility (GEF). It was developed as part of the initiative "Expanding the Benefits of the Blue Economy and the Conservation of Critical Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services through the Management of Surf Ecosystems," which seeks to promote effective management of the marine and coastal ecosystems surrounding surf breaks.

↓ **Identifying Potential Marine-Coastal OECMs in Peru**

Authors: Jimpson Dávila, Jean Pierre Araujo, Nicol Vásquez, Ernesto Bustamante, Adele Le Gall, Angélica Gómez, Gabriela Villanueva, and Fabio Castagnino

November 2025

This document seeks to identify existing tools within national regulations whose implementation in specific geographic areas could qualify as a marine and marine-coastal OECMs.

↓ **Climate Change, Illegal Mining, and Human Rights in the Amazon: A Reflection from a Coalition of Civil Society and Indigenous Peoples**

Authors: Coalition Against Illegal Mining in the Amazon (CMIA)

November 2025

This report analyzes the links between the climate crisis, environmental degradation, and human rights violations in the Amazon basin of Brazil, Bolivia, Colombia, Peru, and Venezuela. The document by the Coalition Against Illegal Mining in the Amazon (CMIA) highlights the role of corruption networks and organized crime in the spread of illegal mining and proposes concrete pathways for more effective international action ahead of COP30 in Belém.

↓ **Report on the macro-regional workshops of the Management Committees of Protected Natural Areas**

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Protected natural areas (PNAs) safeguard our natural and cultural heritage. However, their protection does not depend solely on laws or institutions, but also on how they are governed and on the capacity of those who live within and around them. In this regard, management committees (MCs) are essential. In 2025, four macro-regional workshops were held with 109 stakeholders—including MCs, Indigenous communities, SERNANP, GORE, and partner organizations—to analyze challenges and strengthen their role in the management of PNAs. This document compiles the main contributions from that process.

↓ **Actualidad Ambiental Magazine**

Editor: Jaime Tranca

November 2025

The magazine Actualidad Ambiental is a publication that seeks to bring environmental issues closer to people of all ages, without technical barriers or inaccessible language. The goal is for every citizen to understand what is happening to our forests, rivers, seas, cities, and communities, and how these realities directly affect our quality of life. The magazine complements the work already carried out at www.actualidadambiental.pe since its launch in 2009.

↓ **Non-financial incentives for the Formalization of Jumbo Flying Squid, Mahi-Mahi and Octopus Fisheries**

Author: SPDA

December 2025

Non-financial incentives are mechanisms designed to promote behavioral change toward a specific objective without relying on direct monetary benefits. They represent an attractive tool for engaging sectors that have not yet formalized their activities, while also encouraging formalized operators to continue complying with applicable requirements. This document highlights the relevance of non-financial incentives in artisanal fisheries and proposes recommendations for their implementation in Peru.

↓ **Reflections from the Amazon on the Protection of Human Rights Defenders**

Authors: Crislinda Gutiérrez Vargas; Nidya Areliz Lovatón Ccasa; Maete Hilary Chevarria Gil; Manuel Eli Odicio Guevara; Eugenia Ching Ling Chang Huayanca, Meyci Shessira Gambini Rojas; Alisamy Sarumy Carbonel Salas, and Juan Roberto Falcón Cometivos

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This publication brings together the eight best essays from the course “Environmental Defenders: Rights and Mechanisms for Their Protection” in Madre de Dios and Loreto, developed by SPDA in partnership with the Institute for Democracy and Human Rights at the Pontifical Catholic University of Peru (Idehpucp). This publication was made possible by the “Inclusive Protection of Environmental Defenders in the Amazon (PIDDA)” project, funded by the French Development Agency (AFD).

↓ **Manual on the Right to Citizen Participation in Extractive Activities**

Authors: Pámela Ramirez, Diana Suárez, and Wendy Ancieta

December 2025

This third manual informs the public about the regulations governing citizen participation in the environmental sector, the importance of exercising this right in an informed and responsible manner, and the mechanisms available for its implementation. It also provides examples of situations in which citizens can engage in environmental decision-making related to these extractive activities.

↓ **7 Questions and Answers: Amending Bylaws for Fishing Organizations**

Author: Cristian Contreras

December 2025

This document provides key information to help artisanal fishing social organizations (OSPA) amend their bylaws in a simply and accessible way. The aim is to contribute to strengthening these organizations, which represent vessel owners, fishers, artisanal divers, and other artisanal fishing workers. Additionally, the document includes examples and templates that organizations can use when interacting with the competent authorities.

↓ Natural and Cultural Heritage and the Overlap of Rights

Authors: SPDA: Katherine Sánchez and Seichi Santos

December 2025

Based on a review of current regulations and an analysis of landmark cases involving Bahuaja Sonene National Park and the Amarakaeri Communal Reserve, this research document offers recommendations and legal proposals aimed at ensuring biodiversity conservation, respect for human rights, and the protection of Indigenous peoples, thereby contributing to an essential debate to ensure that all extractive activities in protected natural areas are carried out in a sustainable manner and in harmony with the values these areas safeguard.



📁 The Mangroves of Tumbes: A Sanctuary That Amazes

March 2025

The Los Manglares de Tumbes National Sanctuary is a key ecosystem for biodiversity and the protection of our natural heritage. This protected area is home to unique species and provides resources for the economic development of the local population.

AUDIOVISUAL



📁 Ömäene Harakbut

July 2025

As part of the Rostro Harakbut campaign, the documentary Ömäene Harakbut (We Are Harakbut) premiered. The film chronicles the journey of a delegation composed of Harakbut Indigenous elders and youth, park rangers, and leaders from the ECA Amarakaeri to this site, which was designated a National Cultural Heritage in 2021.



📁 Mujeres y Agua

August 2025

As part of the GEF project on the management of surf ecosystems and the blue economy, this audiovisual piece showcases the work carried out with the Lobitos coalition, where, together with local organizations, we promoted educational initiatives in conservation. The documentary serves as an opportunity to highlight the efforts underway in the area, with a focus on youth, a gender-sensitive approach, and close coordination with communities and their leaders.



ELLA, the girls of Lobitos sing to the sea July 2025

In December 2024, an oil spill at the Talara Refinery affected the coast of the Piura region. Lobitos, one of the hardest-hit communities, depends on the sea for its livelihood. In this context, and in partnership with the Coast to Coast Movement and the NGO Waves Lobitos, we organized a workshop with 30 girls from Lobitos, known as the “*Sirenas Capullanas*.” *ELLA* is the music video resulting from this collective process, with the support of audiovisual specialists, community educators, and musicians.



San Fernando, where the sea embraces the desert

December 2025

In southern Peru, in the Ica region, lies the San Fernando National Reserve, a remote coastal area where condors descend from the Andes to meet the sea. Here, fishing communities coexist with conservation, respecting nature and practicing responsible fishing that ensures the sustainability of resources such as macroalgae, an essential source of livelihood and life in the region.



“Formales Por la Pesca” July 2025

Formales Por La Pesca is a campaign carried out under the Alliance for Fisheries, which seeks to reduce illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing through formal and responsible fishing practices; it is supported by the Walton Family Foundation. In this playlist, you'll find various videos that will help you obtain your health certification and register with the OROP-PS in an easy and straightforward way.



The Grandchildren of the Huito: A Journey to the Heart of Harakbut Culture

This short documentary portrays the stories of Eddy Menkorie and Ronaldo Manuqueve, young people from the Harakbut people and members of SPDA's Indigenous Communicators Program. Through their voices, they invite us to explore their roots, their struggle to preserve their culture, and the challenges they face regarding environmental crimes and discrimination. Produced at the 1st Muyuna Fest Floating Film Lab, this work reminds us of the strength of our roots and cultural resilience.

MULTIMEDIA



Harakbut Legacy

The Amarakaeri Communal Reserve is an ancestral territory protected by Indigenous peoples such as the Harakbut, who safeguard it through their knowledge, practices, and deep connection with nature.

In this short documentary, Kelly Patiachi, a Harakbut communicator and leader, highlights the role of women in defending the Amazon. The film was produced by Herlinda Italiano Rivera and Rolando Manuqueve Careche, Indigenous communicators from SPDA's program.



"Inclusive Protection of Environmental Defenders in the Amazon" - Playlist

In this playlist, you will find three videos produced as part of the "Inclusive Protection of Environmental Defenders in the Amazon (PIDDA)" project, implemented in partnership with IUCN-NL and with support from the AFD. The videos, created by Katia Ponceano, Eddy Menkorie, and Fiorella Tayori—members of SPDA's Indigenous Communicators Program—feature stories of young people and leaders who are driving environmental advocacy and the strengthening of their territories.



The First "Digital Twin" of the Harakbut Face

The Harakbut Face is a rock formation over six meters tall located in the Amarakaeri Communal Reserve, a protected natural area spanning more than 402,000 hectares in Madre de Dios. Now, for the first time, the world will be able to explore this sacred site through a digital twin developed by SPDA, in collaboration with the Executor of the Administration Contract of the Amarakaeri Communal Reserve (ECA Amarakaeri) and the Amarakaeri Communal Reserve Authority.



Calo: discovering our ecosystems

This SPDA campaign aims to promote the protection of Peru's fragile ecosystems through Calo (*Lycalopex sechurae*), a curious and adventurous coastal fox that helps engage younger audiences with these issues.

Since 2025, the initiative has had its own web platform that serves as a tool for outreach and environmental education. This digital space allows users to interactively explore the wildlife associated with fragile ecosystems, as well as access information about the campaign and coverage of workshops and activities carried out.

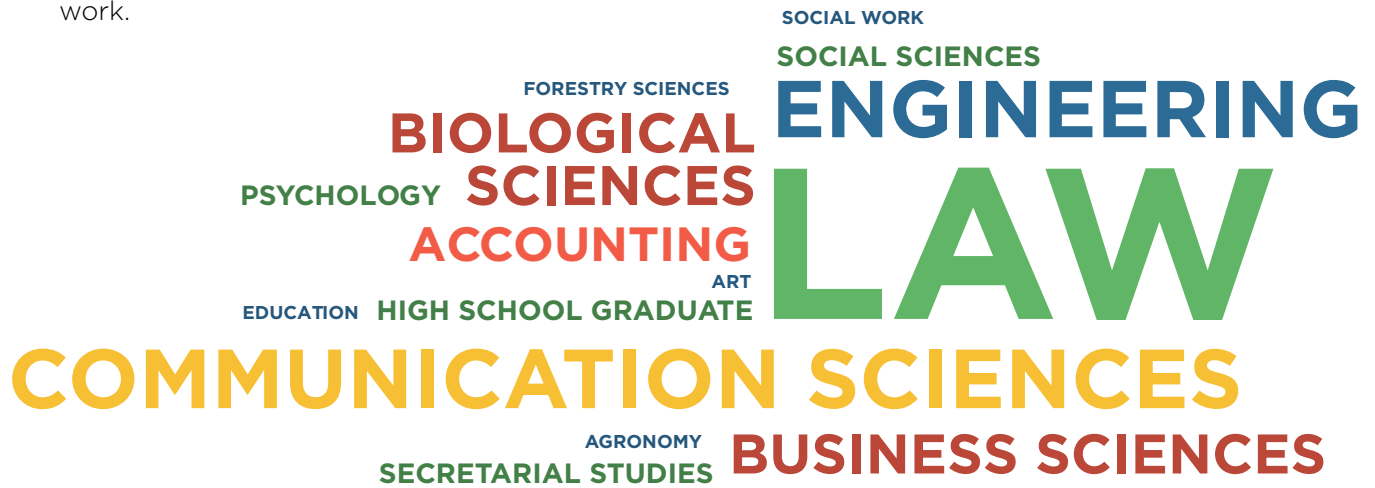
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A multidisciplinary team

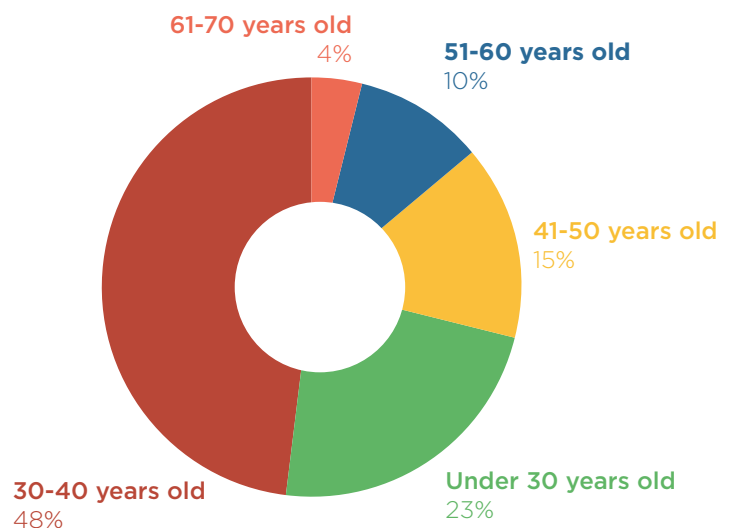
We bring together professionals from diverse fields and specialties to address the country's environmental challenges with a comprehensive and strategic approach. This diversity strengthens our proposals, broadens our analysis, and enhances the impact of our work.



We are committed to diversity of backgrounds

Our team brings together a variety of experiences, generations, and perspectives. Age and professional diversity foster mutual learning, drive innovation, and strengthen our ability to adapt to changing circumstances.

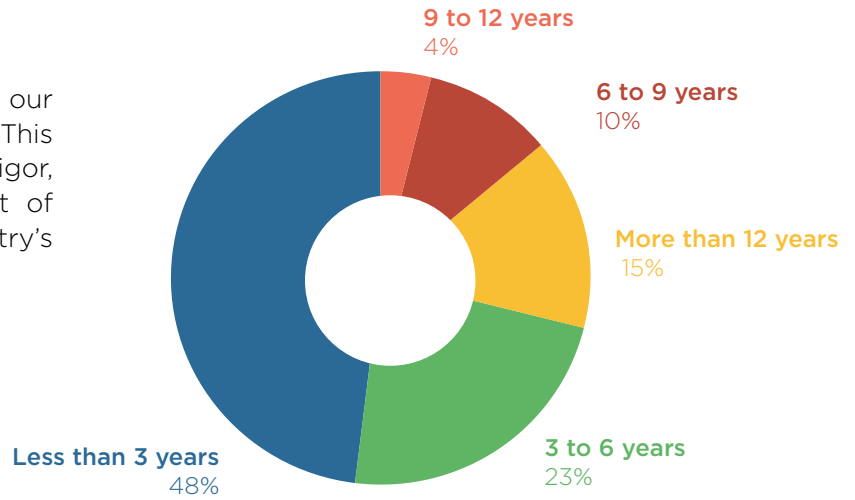
Age of the SPDA team



Commitment and Long-Term Dedication

We have a team that is committed to our mission and institutional principles. This commitment is reflected in our technical rigor, collaborative work, and constant pursuit of making a meaningful impact on the country’s environmental management.

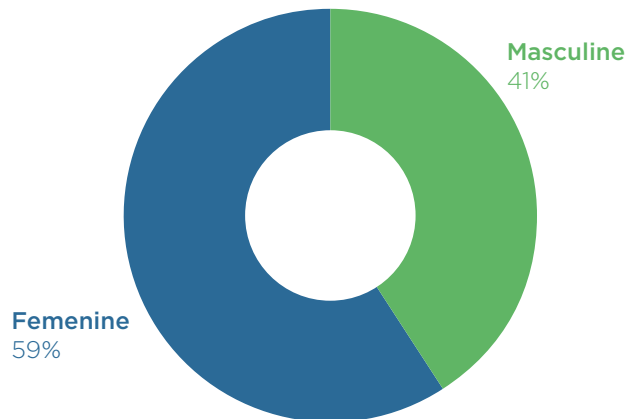
Years at the organization



A team committed to equity

We promote gender equity as a core principle in our management. Our team reflects nearly equal representation, with a slightly higher proportion of women.

Gender in SPDA



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