

What's happening in the Andes Region?

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SOLUTIONS

In Ecuador, the largest exchange of external debt for nature conservation in the history of the country and the world has been achieved. The Ecuadorian government exchanged USD 1,630 million (M.) for a new loan of USD 656 M., with the order of investing USD 450 M. for the conservation of the Galapagos Marine Reserve and the Hermandad Marine Reserve. More information [here](#)



CHALLENGES

Venezuelan emigration has become the largest displacement of people in the history of Latin America, and the second largest in the world. More than 7 million people have left Venezuela and entered various countries, including countries in the Andean region. Its socioeconomic integration is an important challenge. More information [here](#)



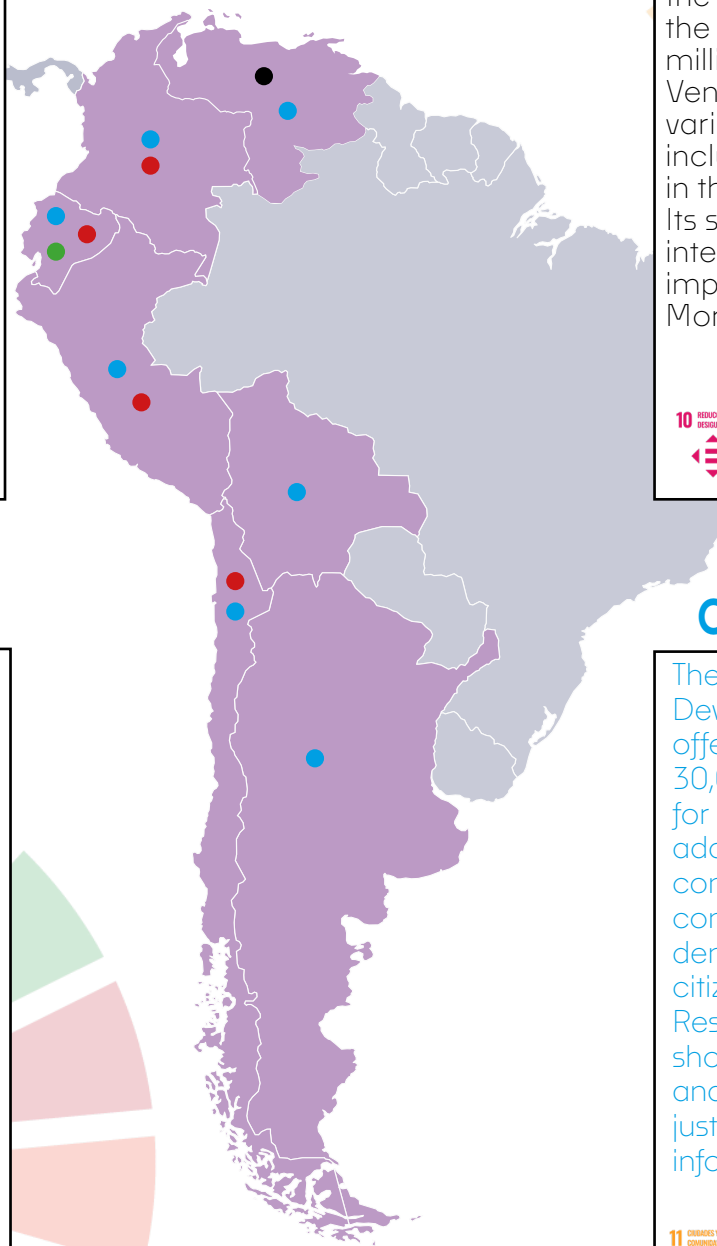
THREATS

The El Niño phenomenon (El Niño-Southern Oscillation), combined with greenhouse emissions, threatens to generate new records in the increase in global temperature, bringing with it extreme weather events in the following months (including flooding in countries of the Andean region). In turn, this puts regional and global food security at risk. More information [here](#).



OPORTUNIDADES

The French Development Agency offers grants (EUR 30,000 – 200,000) for research projects addressing the contribution of common goods to democratic issues and citizen participation. Research questions should consider social and environmental justice. More information [here](#)



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