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Summary:

The objective of this degree work was to create an International Cooperation Plan for the Environmental Management of the Sinincay Autonomous Decentralized Government (ADG). This started with a foundation of the liberal theory of International Relations, which raises the emergence of International Cooperation (IC) as a tool for aid between States. Thus, the evolution and impact of the IC in Ecuador is analyzed through its regulations, focused mainly on environmental management. Likewise, in this paper the current situation of the Sinincay ADG is described, in order to understand the main problems and the potential for the international application of the project entitled: "Minga: Recovery of native plants through ancestral practices and knowledge in Sinincay, during 2020 - 2023". Thus, the project of International Decentralized Cooperation focused on the environmental axis of the parish is designed, as well as the necessary tools for the announcement of future projects of the Sinincay ADG.

Introduction:

International Cooperation (IC) is a support tool for government entities, as it seeks development among its members. It is commonly used at the central government and municipal government levels. However, Parish Autonomous Decentralized Governments (ADG) have international cooperation authority that is not developed due to lack of knowledge and technical assistance. Thus the approach for the proposal arises for the International Cooperation Plan for the Sinincay ADG.

The development of each chapter supports the fulfillment of the main objective of this degree work. To begin, the first chapter referring to the theoretical framework aims to describe and analyze the theories of International Relations that allow us to know how international cooperation emerges, its evolution and main characteristics, to understand the importance of carrying it out. Equally important is the legal framework of International Cooperation in Ecuador.

This being said, the main objective of this work was to support the Sinincay ADG in developing an International Cooperation Plan, taking into account its main needs. Thus, the project is classified along the environmental axis, which has been neglected due to lack of economic and technical resources. The main objective of the present work is to provide such ADG with the design of an environmental project and the steps to be followed to integrate it with international cooperation.

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As the work focuses on the biophysical axis of the ADG, it includes the reference to environmental management, its instruments and its connections with local territorial development. Similarly, it is important to describe the state of progress of the environmental

axis in Ecuador. Thus analyzing the current regulations regarding environmental management and the duties of the ADG.

Then, the second chapter is focused on describing the current situation of the Parish of Sinincay. For this, visits to the site, interviews with authorities of this ADG, and information sources were provided by the ADG such as their Development Plans and Territorial Planning (PDYOT for its acronym in Spanish), lists of executed projects, organizational charts, and other resources. All this information served as a basis to describe each axis of action: social, economic-productive, and environmental. In this way, the resources, needs, problems, and potential of each area can be identified and preserved.

It should be noted that focus groups were held through participatory assemblies to get to know the opinion of the community. This allowed the ADG evaluation to better know its reality and link the project to the most urgent environmental needs.

The third chapter outlines the International Cooperation Pilot Plan, which synthesizes all the ADG information through the analysis of its territory and of each priority axis for cooperation. The following describes the importance of the plan and its objectives. Additionally, there is the specific organizational chart for the project presented - based on the organizational chart established in the PDYOT and the duties at each ADG level.

Strategies for the international promotion of the ADG are also suggested, as well as the implementation of policies at the institutional level that facilitate the implementation of the plan, and the monitoring and control mechanisms that allow the project to be carried out efficiently.

Finally, the project "Minga: Recovery of native plants through ancestral practices and knowledge in Sinincay, during 2020 - 2023" is designed, which was presented by the ADG based on its needs. Each phase of the project is detailed with two international organizations defined as possible collaborators -see appendix 7- as a part of the international integration of the project. Each activity is listed at the end of the chapter, thus providing the ADG with the necessary tools not only for implementing the presented project, but also for future projects.

CHAPTER 1

1. THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK

1.1. International Cooperation

Cooperation is understood as an action in which two or more parties collaborate or work together for a certain purpose. The concept of International Cooperation (IC) has changed over time, and as a result, several organizations and doctrinaires have created different concepts and even classes of IC. Despite the variety of concepts or different forms that may exist, they all point to the same purpose, which is to provide assistance to a particular place or territory, manifesting it in different ways such as technical assistance, funding, educational issues, among others. These activities may be aimed at helping with the following axes: economic, social, environmental, and educational, among others.

1.1.1. International cooperation from the perspective of international relations theories

International Cooperation is a means for helping to achieve specific purposes, which is carried out with the participation of actors from the international community. Therefore, it is a matter of international relations, since this discipline encompasses "the set of social relations that shape international society, such as those of a political, economic and cultural nature, as well as those that occur between states and among other actors in international society" (Ayllón, B, 2007). Hence, it is necessary to know the theories of international relations to understand the actions of states, and how and why they establish cooperation ties.

For starters, there are two main theories: realism and liberalism. The first has as its main characteristic the attainment of power and the self-defense of the State. In contrast, there is liberalism, which determines that cooperation is the means to achieve peace, through international, economic, and political relations that establish the interdependence of states and reduce the likelihood of conflict (Jiménez, 2003). Despite the notable

differences, both theories establish international cooperation to deal with the anarchic system.

On the one hand, realism indicates that such cooperation will only be carried out if it responds to the interests and relative earnings of the State (Ayllón, B, 2007). On the other hand, liberalism establishes that economic interdependence leads to cooperation and a long-awaited peace, which is why it is also known as idealism (Jiménez, 2003). Additionally, the structuralism theory interprets external aid as a manifestation of imperialism (Jiménez González, C., 2003). Thus, each of the theories tries to explain the reality of a globalized and therefore more interdependent world.

"People may not agree on what forms of international cooperation are desirable, or what purposes they should serve, but we can all agree that a world without cooperation would undoubtedly be bleak." (Robert O. Kehoane).

1.1.2. Birth and historical context: World War II

The first manifestation of cooperation between states occurred with the creation of the League of Nations in 1919 under the Treaty of Versailles "to promote international cooperation and to achieve peace and security" (United Nations, n.d.). However, the League of Nations could not avoid World War II.

This is how, after its failure and with the end of World War II, the United Nations Organization (UN) was born on October 24, 1945, in California, United States; where 51 member states signed the "Charter of the United Nations". The purpose of the organization is defined in article 1 of the Charter: "to maintain international peace and security, foster friendly relations between states, equal rights, self-determination of peoples" (UN, 1945). Such Charter defines international cooperation as "the solution of international problems of an economic, social, cultural or humanitarian nature" (UN, 1945).

It also describes international cooperation as development aid and at the same time as a way of promoting "respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms of all, without making any distinction on the grounds of race, sex, language or religion" (UN, 1945). Additionally, it is within Chapter IX the "International economic and social cooperation" is established, which is a broader concept and form of what international cooperation encompasses and its importance.

The Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) together with the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) play an important role since these are the organizations that adopt and promote the term "human development". Such term is defined as an extension of the opportunities for human beings, which are found within three levels: "to enjoy a long and healthy life, to have knowledge, and to have access to the resources necessary to achieve a decent standard of living" (Sotillo, n.d).

1.1.2.1. Official Development Assistance

In this context, the concept of development is often linked to the economic growth that is measured in the increase in the GDP of the states. Max Neef, an economist known for proposing development on a human scale, postulates that the orthodox economic system is based on the obsession with growth, where value is recognized only in material objects (Max-Neef & Smith, 2014). Thus, development and economy, according to this traditional system, go hand in hand.

According to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), this is how a forum that promotes the creation of policies for the social and economic welfare of its member states (OECD, 2018), Official Development Assistance is defined as:

"The government's help is designated to promote the economic development and well-being of developing countries. Loans and credits for military purposes are excluded. The aid can be provided bilaterally, from a donor to a recipient, or channeled through multilateral development agencies such as the United Nations or the World Bank. The aid includes subsidies... and the provision of technical assistance" (OECD, 2018).

From this definition, it can be determined that the origin of Official Development Assistance (ODA) has two foundations. On the one hand, the well-being of developing countries is sought, and on the other, their economic development. Thus, the first source was established in the UN Charter, an organization that in itself is a clear example of international cooperation as its member states work together for common purposes such as peacekeeping and international security. In this way, ODA manifests itself through the help offered by the UN Specialized Agencies and Programs.

The second emerged after the Second World War, because after that crisis several financing programs were created for the economic restoration of the most affected European countries. Thus, the World Bank emerged as the first financial institution whose mission has been to reduce extreme poverty, promote shared prosperity, and international development (World Bank, 2019). Later, in the 1950s, its focus shifted towards the development of Latin America, Africa, and Asia, the so-called underdeveloped countries. In this way, loans were not only provided for infrastructure projects, but also for training and technical-financial advice.

Thus, North-South cooperation took place in international relations and was strengthened with the creation of regional financial institutions and related cooperation agencies, of which the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) and the Andean Development Corporation (currently Development Bank of Latin America – CAF for its acronym in Spanish) are part. Both financial institutions promote a model of sustainable development through technical and financial assistance to Latin American and Caribbean countries in their constitutional charter (Inter-American Development Bank, 2019) (Development Bank of Latin America, 2019).

This model of cooperation gave rise to the Non-Aligned Movement, made up of developing countries that demanded reforms to the international economic system, because they felt excluded from this system by being merely recipients and not being in the same negotiating position as donor countries (Sotillo, n.d.). Therefore, the creation of multilateral cooperation mechanisms was promoted, in which UNCTAD (United Nations Conference

on Trade and Development) and the Group of 77 (Sotillo, n.d.) stand out. In this way, these countries established new forms of cooperation between each other, which gave rise to South-South cooperation carried out among countries with a similar level of development in order to reduce asymmetries.

1.1.2.2. International cooperation for development after the Cold War

Thus, international cooperation evolved, and thanks to the creation of international cooperation mechanisms, the International Development Cooperation (IDC) was born. Therefore, international development cooperation can be defined as:

"A part of the international dynamics, whereby different kinds of actors collaborate together in order to improve the socio-economic conditions of those who are in a worse situation, with the aim of achieving their development. Therefore, cooperation would be the means to achieve the end, development" (Sotillo, p. 6).

Although the talks about improving socioeconomic conditions, the Cold War (1947-1991) arose, an event that changed the paradigms of international cooperation itself. It became an instrument to join allies, who obtained the benefits of their donor, the United States or the Soviet Union, which, in turn, assured their influence and power within the international community (Ayllón, 2007). That is to say, it was a bilateral aid in an international cooperation framework whose purpose was not development itself, but reconstruction.

To illustrate, the Marshall Plan was one of the first ODA programs by the United States towards its European allies victims of the post-war crisis. It is important to highlight the insertion of the term "underdeveloped" within said plan, which confirms the dependent relationship between donor and recipient, in which the interests of the donor essentially prevail over the true needs of the "underdeveloped" or beneficiary country (Ayllón, 2007). The end of the Cold War meant the resurgence of ODA, as investment in arms and military resources were set aside. However, contrary to expectations, the flows destined for

development programs decreased compared to previous years, a fact known as "donor fatigue" (Sotillo, n.d.).

Despite the decline in ODA, the United Nations plays an essential role in strengthening multilateralism that, in conjunction with other events such as the independence of various peoples and countries, and the emergence of new public and private actors, they hold globally focused summits on social development and the well-being of the people. In this way, the development approach as it relates to economic growth, becomes human development, first published in 1990 in the report "Concept and Measurement of Human Development" (Sotillo, n.d.). Thus, according to the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), human development is defined as:

"A process in which the opportunities of human beings are extended. The three most essential are enjoying a long and healthy life, acquiring knowledge, and having access to the resources necessary to achieve a decent standard of living" (Sotillo, p. 10).

That is, the new development approach is linked to the full exercise of human rights and its harmonious relationship with the environment. Thus, in 1987, the concept of "sustainable development" was introduced in the "Our Common Future" report prepared by the UN World Commission for Environment and Development (United Nations, n.d.). This definition was based on two foundations, the first is the protection of the environment as a global problem; and the second, the need to achieve sustainable development that meets the needs of the present without compromising those of future generations (United Nations, n.d.).

That is, it seeks to create a link between environmental, economic, and social goals to achieve an equitable, visible, and viable environment that leads to a balance for the aforementioned sustainable development (Gutiérrez León, Andrés; López Cabana, Silvia, 2018).

1.1.2.3. Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

With the end of the Cold War, multilateralism¹ arose, resulting in the celebration of world summits in the 90s. With this a vision was achieved that people can act together to make a difference (Sotillo, n.d.). Among the largest institutions or organizations that arose was the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) that adopts human development as its main axis.

In this context, several documents are created by the UN, OECD, IMF, and World Bank, resulting in seven international developmental objectives between 1990 and 2015:

- 1. Reduce by half the proportion of people living in extreme poverty.
- 2. Enroll all children in schools.
- 3. Promote and achieve gender equality and empower women.
- 4. Reduce the death rate of children by two thirds.
- 5. Reduce maternal mortality by three quarters.
- 6. Accessibility to reproductive health services.
- 7. The implementation of national strategies for sustainable development since 2015, with a focus on care for ecological resources (Sotillo, n.d.).

After that, the Millennium Goals were created (see Figure 1). These were adopted at the General Assembly of the United Nations, on September 13, 2000, effective until 2015. This Declaration establishes the fundamental values within the international relations for the 21st century: freedom, equality, solidarity, tolerance, and respect for nature, among others (Sotillo, n.d.).

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¹ Multilateral: It concerns several states or affects the relationships between them. Obtained from the Royal Academy of the Spanish Language.

Figure 1: Millennium Development Goals



Source: UN. (July 17th, 2017):

https://www.undp.org/content/undp/es/home/sdgoverview/mdg_goals.html

Created by: United Nations Development Program

Following that, in 2015 the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) were established by the UN. These focus on development in five fundamental axes: people, planet, prosperity, peace, and alliances. They are designed in parallel with the end of the Millennium Goals, with the main purpose of giving continuity, with a term of 15 years, being part of the creation of the new 2030 sustainable development agenda. The SDGs set 17 objectives, with a total of 169 goals (Sotillo, n.d.) that also seek the integration of States and other actors from the international community (International Organizations, NGOs, and others), the search to end poverty, protect the planet, and guarantee peace and prosperity for all humanity (PNUD, n.d.). See Figure 2.

Figure 2: Sustainable Development Goals



Source: UN. (July 17th, 2017):

https://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/es/2017/07/se-debe-acelerar-la-

implementacion-de-los-objetivos-de-desarrollo-sostenible/

Created by: United Nations Development Program

The SDGs sets a new beginning that goes beyond the relationship between donor and recipient (something typical of traditional North-South cooperation). This new stage emerges as a new dimension of development since it involves more actors. Traditional cooperation was based on using the donor that imposed its own criteria, especially geographical and even geopolitical, known as traditional donors (mainly formed by Northern or "developed" countries) that helped developing countries. At present, this has changed, since it has gone from being an instrument that depended on donor criteria, to form more actors and new forms of cooperation, ending in a more complex system (Sotillo, n.d.).

1.1.2.4 Birth of Cooperation for local development

In this sense, Decentralized Cooperation (DC) was born as a way to boost development from a local approach, that is, from bottom to top and on multiple levels (since it allows for the coordinated action of different institutions). This new approach makes it possible to deal more directly with all situations, both positive and negative, that are manifested in a given territory, since there is first-hand knowledge about local resources

and other capacities. Its purpose is to create sustainable processes for economic, social, and environmental development.

The DC focuses specifically on the main actors being local and regional authorities. In addition, the relationships that are built within a DC tend to be more horizontal and reciprocal, since the benefits are for all members of the relationship, resulting in other methods and instruments of cooperation, while in a traditional cooperation, the transfer of resources is the predominant instrument (Oroval, 2018).

1.1.3. International Cooperation Parties

In the field of International Cooperation, the form of interaction between actors has evolved, just as the concept has changed. A key factor in this process is globalization, the involvement of organizations from emerging countries that have devised various ways for cooperation to cease to be as it was in its traditional form, that is, for a country, or an international organization to be who imposes the mechanisms and processes of how the receiving country is the one who can only accept what is offered to them.

In this way, different forms of identifying the actors or parties involved in these new dynamics of international cooperation are established, as we have outlined as follow.

Public

Mainly made up of national administrations such as ministries; but in turn, if we see it at the level of a decentralized cooperation, these public actors can be divided into more organizations such as local authorities and autonomous communities. Within this group the provincial governments are found at regional levels, and county or even parish governments are found at the local level (Sotillo, n.d.).

They also include multilateral organizations of a global nature, such as the United Nations, the World Bank, and the International Monetary Fund; or also of a regional nature: European Union, Mercosur, and the Organization of American States.

Private

Included among the main private actors are Non-Governmental Development Organizations (NGDO) and Civil Societies. However, there are other institutions such as foundations, private companies, and unions that work in areas linked to their work area. These also include help provided by individuals, called "private aid"; that is, philanthropists who contribute their private capital to humanitarian projects of their interest or contribute economically to established NGOs (Sotillo, n.d.).

1.1.4. Methods of cooperation:

The study of the types of cooperation modes can have several approaches, depending on the channels, instruments, actors and even the goals of international cooperation. The diversity of typologies responds to the variables that are taken into account, that is, there is no single classification (Gutiérrez León, Andrés; López Cabana, Silvia, 2018). International cooperation has undergone a process of evolution, which has responded to the social, political, and economic changes of the international community, from official development assistance to international development cooperation.

In this way, new parties have emerged who have determined new cooperation mechanisms responding to their interests and needs. It should be noted that the IDC is constantly changing, therefore, each actor decides which classification mechanism best suits their purposes. For study purposes, a table with the main cooperation methods is presented, based on the Methods of International Cooperation Mechanisms for Development by the authors Gutiérrez and López (2018), and the Spanish Agency's Guide of Cooperation Methods and Instruments for International Development Cooperation (2014) (see Table 1).

Table 1: Methods of International Cooperation

METHODS OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION			
1. According to the nature or purpose of the cooperation			
Financial aid:	Refundable: its conditions are more flexible than those of a normal credit at market price, as it has a lower interest, a longer pre-payment period, and has been negotiated under favorable financial conditions. Ex .: grants, budget support, credit, and loans		
	Non-refundable: Actual transfer of funds so that the recipient can develop the project or program for which they have been assigned, without reimbursement of the financial resources granted. Ex.: financial, in-kind donations, and technical assistance.		
Non- financial or technical cooperation	Set of activities funded by the donor for the strengthening of technical skills and abilities, at the institutional and personal level, through the exchange of technology, knowledge, advice, research, analytical studies, scholarships, internships, training or training activities through seminars, courses, or workshops, and good practices in order to promote the recipient's own development.		
Humanitaria n or emergency aid	Set of actions that the donor performs in the face of a humanitarian crisis, natural disaster, or armed conflict in order to assist basic needs, contribute to saving lives, and protect the dignity and fundamental human rights of the victims. Its nature is urgent, and short term. Ex.: dispatch of supplies and relief equipment, free distribution of basic goods and services for survival, assistance to victims, and preparation, prevention and mitigation of natural disasters, etc.		

Developmen t education

Set of actions and activities aimed at promoting global citizenship for the formation of critical, responsible, and active awareness for respect of human rights and fundamental freedoms. Its dimensions are awareness, training, research, and social participation. It is intended to generate collective awareness of the social problems that occur, while promoting understanding, respect, tolerance, and therefore maintaining peace.

2. According to the degree of involvement and responsibility of the parties, cooperation:

Direct Cooperation

Direct cooperation ties are established between Local Authorities, who become principal, and generally unique, parties in this process. By having autonomy, they are able to determine local and territorial problems, establish cooperation frameworks based on their own resources (economic and know-how) for mutual learning. It allows the participation of other local actors, the relationship with the community, and strengthens the institutions of local governments.

Indirect Cooperation:

Financing a local entity for the realization of projects or development programs presented by intermediary organizations, generally NGOs. There is a dependent donor-recipient relationship, without there being a work relationship with civilian society. Most interventions are through aid, which is based on the presence of unmet basic needs. Thus, it generates dependence on the public sector, which acts only as a sponsor and does not get involved in projects / programs.

Delegated Cooperation

This happens when one or several agencies, called "silent donors", transfer to another "leading donor" agency the total or partial payment for certain activities such as negotiation with partners, project monitoring, and fund management, among others. In this way, better coordination and division of labor between donors is achieved, reducing transaction costs, and increasing efficiency.

3. According to the level of party development, cooperation:

North-South Cooperation	It is carried out among developed countries (in the North), who provide financial resources or technical assistance to the so-called developing countries (in the South), so that the latter can reach their development. This is known as traditional cooperation, since from the beginning developed countries have acted as donors to carry out projects for developing countries.
South-South cooperation. Technical Cooperation between Developing Countries (TCDC)	This arises in response to the asymmetries of traditional cooperation, becoming more important in recent years, due to the global economic crisis that mainly affected southern countries. It is the transfer of resources between two actors with similar levels of development. In this way, countries with common experiences and objectives create a new linkage structure determined by principles of sovereignty, nationality, non-conditionality, equity, mutual benefit, etc.
4. According to	capital ownership, cooperation:
4. According to Government	This is the most traditional type of cooperation given that it involves public organizations, whose main sources of financing comes from the public money of a country.
	This is the most traditional type of cooperation given that it involves public organizations, whose main sources of financing comes from the
Government Non-	This is the most traditional type of cooperation given that it involves public organizations, whose main sources of financing comes from the public money of a country. This is done with organizations that are not part of the government. Their income comes mainly from donations, membership fees, service sales,

Bilateral	This is distinguished by having only two actors involved, tending toward a donor-recipient relationship. Within the organizations that may be involved may be central or decentralized public administrations. The documents used for this relationship are through agreements, programs or projects, depending on the interests and purposes of the parties.	
Triangular:	As its name implies, this is a relationship between three actors: Donor country (offering help) Middle income country: acts as a donor party Receiving country: lower level of development than donors	
Multilateral	This occurs when governments grant a portion of their resources to international organizations, such as international or even regional organizations for their own purposes, resulting in governments losing the resources granted, but at the same time aligning with the activities that are carried out towards the interests of the donor country. Ex.: United Nations, European Union, World Bank, International Monetary Fund, among others.	
6. According to	the type of relationship between the actors	
Horizontal	Linked to what is known as South-South Cooperation, where actors are on equal footing between the parties, such as economic level, social spheres, among others.	
Vertical	Linked to North-South cooperation, or also known as traditional bilateral cooperation, where one party has more power or influence over the other party (donor-recipient).	

Sources: (Gutiérrez León, Andrés; López Cabana, Silvia, 2018) (Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID, for its acronym in Spanish), 2014).

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1.1.5. Legal Framework of International Cooperation in Ecuador

1.1.5.1. Constitution of Ecuador

The powers that correspond to the levels of decentralized autonomous governments are established within articles 262 to 267 in the 2018 Ecuadorian Constitution (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2008): regional, provincial, metropolitan, municipal or county and parishes. Within these duties, in the subsequent articles it is established that the provincial, municipal, and rural parish autonomous governments will be responsible for territorial planning, which is coordinated with the national level. Such autonomous governments are also in charge of managing international cooperation for fulfilling their duties (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2008).

Also, section 5 of the Ecuadorian Constitution contains information related to the Development Regime of Ecuador. It states that governments must guarantee national sovereignty. Furthermore, it is considered that the Latin American integration should be promoted to ease the insertion of the global South countries in the international context. This would contribute to peace, democracy, and to a more balanced world (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2008).

Additionally, in article 416 it is considered that Ecuador's relations with the international community would promote a multipolar global order. For this, the country would participate in regional economic and political blocs. This would help to strengthen a more just, democratic, and intercultural world.

1.1.5.2. Organic Code of Territorial Organization, Autonomy, and Decentralization

The Organic Code of Territorial Organization, Autonomy, and Decentralization (hereafter COOTAD), in force since 2010, establishes the national system of duties, financing mechanisms, and institutionalism of the territorial organization of the country, taking into account the new duties of the autonomous decentralized governments (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2010).

Thus, articles 32, 42, 55, 65 of COOTAD (2010) determine the exclusive powers of the ADGs, at the regional, provincial, municipal, metropolitan, and rural parish levels, respectively, to manage international cooperation as part of its powers (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2010). On the other hand, Article 131 of COOTAD (2010), indicates the powers of the ADGs for resource management and technical assistance in the field of international cooperation, which must be considered within the national objectives. This information must be registered in the national IC system, to ensure transparency in the process (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2010).

Article 187 of COOTAD (2010) determines that the ADG income, among others, comes from international cooperation, legacies, donations, and self-management activities. Finally, Article 293 of COOTAD (2010) promotes collaborating with decentralized governments of different countries to strengthen integration, and the development of both parties. In addition, cooperation between bordering ADGs is encouraged to address ongoing problems in the environmental field and the provision of public services. For this, cooperation is carried out through treaties and agreements that align with the principles of respect, sovereignty, and reciprocal benefit, to guarantee the rights of the citizens in each community (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2010).

1.1.5.3. Organic Code of Planning and Finance

The article 66 of the Organic Code of Planning and Finance lists the guiding principles for establishing international cooperation with Ecuador. Such principles highlight sovereignty, independence, legal equality of the States, peaceful coexistence, self-determination of the peoples, transparency, equity, and respect for human rights (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2010).

In addition, this regulation provides for the harmonization and management of national development plans with non-reimbursable international cooperation, which in article 65 is defined as: "mechanisms used by Ecuador to grant, receive or transfer tangible or intangible resources in order to contribute to achieving the planned objectives" (National

Assembly of Ecuador, 2010). Likewise, in article 69 (2010) it indicates the autonomy of the decentralized autonomous governments for the approval of IC projects, provided they are under the guidelines of national regulations and registered with the responsible body (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2010).

It also establishes the obligation to register programs or projects that are carried out based on non-reimbursable cooperation, which will be monitored and evaluated by a technical body. On the other hand, in the case of non-financial international cooperation, the cooperator must send said information, at least twice a year, to the assigned technical body, under the guidelines of the national regulations.

1.1.5.4. Reorganization of the International Cooperation System

In October 2016, Rafael Correa, former President of Ecuador, issued the Executive Decree No. 1202 to reorganize the International Cooperation System. Such Decree eliminated the Technical Secretariat for International Cooperation (Decree No. 1202, 2016). It established that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility would be the entity in charge of exercising the rectory, planning, regulation, control, and management of the Ecuadorian International Cooperation System (SECI, for its acronym in Spanish), which is made up of the ADGs and corresponding entities according to their responsibilities (Decree No. 1202, 2016).

Article 2 of this Decree indicates the features of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility regarding non-reimbursable international cooperation (Decree No. 1202, 2016), including the following:

- 1. Regulate, organize, evaluate, supervise and direct the SECI functions and the participation of its parties in accordance with the National Development Plan.
- 2. Negotiate and sign agreements
- 3. Support and assist in programs and projects
- 4. Identify sources of financing and expansion opportunities
- 5. Monitor and assess projects

- 6. Evaluate and coordinate the offers that Ecuador can grant to friendly countries
- 7. Sign, register, and control the agreements, programs, and projects executed by the public sector

(Decree N° 1202, 2016).

1.1.5.5. Transfer of Authority to the International Cooperation

For a correct integration of the International Cooperation authority at the different levels of government, in September 2011 the Resolution No. 0009-CNC-2011 was issued. Article 1 of such resolution establishes the transfer of management of non-reimbursable international cooperation and technical assistance to rural, municipal, provincial, and regional parish ADGs, within the framework of the SECI (Resolution No. 0009-CNC- 2011, 2011). The article 4 of this Resolution details the criteria of the international cooperation authority such as complementarity and co-responsibility, territorial integration, transparency, effectiveness, impact, self-sufficiency and non-conditionality, specialization and harmonization, and decentralized management (Resolution No. 0009-CNC-2011, 2011).

Regarding the second chapter of the management model, the powers of the Central Government are described in the first section, including planning, regulation, control, and management at the national level (Resolution No. 0009-CNC-2011, 2011). In this way, the Central Government is responsible for defining plans and strategies that foster complementarity between the powers of the ADGs, as well as for establishing national regulations for the proper management of non-reimbursable international cooperation. This includes the registration of agreements, programs, actors, periodicity, monitoring and evaluation, and the minimum information that must be contained in agreements, covenants, and projects in accordance with national regulations and planning (Resolution No. 0009-CNC-2011, 2011).

The control mechanisms established by the Central Government in order to verify compliance with current national regulations and with the integration of the management of international cooperation, should be noted. Among these mechanisms are periodic evaluations of the programs and projects in execution, delivery of the respective information for updating of the information system, authorization for starting activities, registration of

foreign non-governmental organizations, and design of accounting mechanisms for the measurement of impacts and results (Resolution No. 0009-CNC-2011, 2011)

On the other hand, the non-reimbursable international cooperation management activities that the Central Government has with the ADGs involve:

Provide timely information on cooperation instruments, opportunities, actors, and events, among others

Organize and integrate SECI operations

Systematize territorial demands and offers, and propose an annual demand plan for international non-refundable cooperation

Identify expansion opportunities and dissemination mechanisms

Request annual reports of programs and projects financed through international cooperation (Resolution No. 0009-CNC-2011, 2011).

The second section of the Resolution No. 0009-CNC-2011 refers to the Autonomous Decentralized Governments (ADG) and the powers of their territorial constituency: first, the power of local rectory to issue local policies and guidelines, in accordance with national policies and guidelines; second, the power to plan and to establish and manage local plans, strategies, and agendas considering their respective development plans, territorial planning, and national regulations, in addition to organizing territorial demand and supply; third, the power to regulate the alignment of offers with the defined territorial demands; fourth, to control and define mechanisms of accountability, transparency, and access to information, as well as to monitor, evaluate and register agreements, programs, and projects of its territorial constituency (Resolution No. 0009-CNC-2011, 2011).

Finally, the ADGs have the authority over international cooperation management that involves the following:

- 1. Identify parties, resources, and supply, as well as identify, coordinate, and process demands for existing international cooperation, within the scope of their authority,
- 2. Program international non-refundable cooperation management,

- 3. Negotiate and sign agreements, programs, and projects that derive from international agreements signed with official decentralized cooperators, or those that are generated from direct management in accordance with their authority,
- 4. Promote decentralized Cooperation,
- 5. Promote international positioning and representation,
- 6. Formulate, design, and prepare non-reimbursable international cooperation projects,
- 7. Execute non-refundable international cooperation programs and projects within its territorial constituency individually or associatively,
- 8. Periodically inform the national technical entity of international cooperation (Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility) about the status and the results of evaluations of non-reimbursable international cooperation programs and projects, in all its versions, present in the territory,
- 9. Establish, promote, and participate in integration of spaces at the local level and with the different levels of government, which allow aligning non-reimbursable international cooperation with local and national development plans
- 10. Promote and participate in spaces of integration with other levels of government to formulate proposals and identify priority issues in development plans and territorial planning, which should be considered for negotiation of treaties and international agreements signed by Ecuador,
- 11. Promote and participate in the integration of spaces with other levels of government, international cooperators, civil society, and other actors to establish lines of intervention for international cooperation in the framework of territorial planning (Resolution No. 0009-CNC-2011, 2011).

Finally, the third chapter of the Institutional Strengthening, of Resolution No. 0009-CNC-2011, indicates that the national technical entity of international cooperation, the associative entities of the ADG, in coordination with the National Council of Authorities will design a strengthening institutional plan for the management of international cooperation that will include permanent technical assistance, training and formation (Resolution No. 0009-CNC-2011, 2011). For the execution of said plan, the technical entity of international cooperation will provide technical assistance to the ADG; in addition, agreements will be established between the associations of the ADGs, universities, and NGOs, for the respective formation and training (Resolution No. 0009-CNC-2011, 2011).

1.1.5.6. National Development Plan

The National Development Plan (2017 - 2021) (identified in articles 280 and 293 of the Constitution as a Development Plan), establishes that for its compliance the proper territorial management is essential and must guarantee multilevel and multisectoral governance, allowing participatory planning spaces and the alignment to international cooperation with national priorities (National Planning Council, 2017).

Furthermore, the policies of Axis 3: "Better Society, Better State" guarantee "sovereignty and peace to strategically position the country in the region and the world" (SENPLADES, 2014). It is important to establish an integration process with Latin America, the Caribbean and neighboring countries, to generate a correlation in areas such as politics, economy, logistics, environment, tourism, culture, and cooperation management. Ecuador's strategic goals seek international cooperation as a way in which the country's development objectives can be met, especially in the search for a change in the productive matrix, which plans to change the dependence of the economics of exhaustible products such as oil and mining for a diversified economy (SENPLADES, 2014).

It should also be noted that the national plan promotes South-South cooperation as a "peer relationship, with similar realities and needs, whether particular or specific", and links the national plan with the fulfillment of the Sustainable Development Goals (SENPLADES, 2014).

1.1.6. State of International Cooperation in Ecuador

In Ecuador, International Cooperation has changed. Before there was a traditional cooperation system, that is, there was a focus on economic development (Technical Secretariat for International Cooperation, 2015). This traditionalist type also implied North-South type cooperation, which generated a paternalistic relationship given that the cooperation was established by the organizations of the most economically developed countries.

According to the data revealed by the former Technical Secretariat for International Cooperation, which since 2016 has been managed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility, in Ecuador, the aid received through international cooperation, comes first from countries (central governments), second from foreign NGOs, third from multilateral cooperation, and fourth from decentralized cooperation (Technical Secretariat for International Cooperation, 2015).

1.1.7. Decentralized cooperation and its development at the local level

Within this framework, the National Skills Council (CNC, for its acronym in Spanish) is part of the National Skills System responsible for the regulation, planning, coordination, management, and control of authority based on the National Decentralization Plan. That is, it is the body responsible for transferring powers to the ADGs to strengthen their institutionalism and territorial development (National Council of Powers, n.d.).

ADG

Since 2011, the CNC has transferred powers to the ADGs, including the management of International Cooperation (National Skills Council, 2011). In fact, through Resolution 009 the powers should be transferred according to the management of IC to obtain non-reimbursable resources and technical assistance (National Powers Council, 2011).

In this context, some organizations were created to allow ADGs to strengthen their institutionalism and ratify the decentralization of their duties. Therefore, the Consortium of Provincial Autonomous Governments of Ecuador -hereafter CONGOPE- and the National Council of Rural Parish Governments of Ecuador - hereafter CONAGOPARE were established. These kind of associations take international cooperation as one of their functions (CONGOPE, 2011).

CONGOPE, indeed, mentions international cooperation among its lines of work in order to establish relationships with international organizations that promote the development of ADGs in the economic and social sphere (CONGOPE, 2011). On the other hand, CONAGOPARE, within its objectives points out the management of both national

and international cooperation with public or private institutions for the creation of programs that promote the development of the community and that satisfy the interests of autonomous decentralized rural parish governments (CONAGOPARE, 2011).

1.2. International Cooperation for Environmental Management

In this sense, international cooperation plays the role of coordinator and policy creator, this being the model for establishing international regimes on different topics such as economy, human rights, health, and environment among others topics. Within the environmental regime, there are global agreements and changes for the internal policies of states, multilateral organizations, and civil society, among others. In this context there are principles, norms, rules, and even procedures on a wide range of different aspects that involve the environment.

For Latin America and the Caribbean, the Rio de Janeiro Convention -1992, has led to a breakthrough in the field of environmental management. According to Rodríguez and Espinoza (2002), the environmental agenda has evolved to the point that it has been introduced within other areas such as economic, social and political. Also, during these recent years certain regulations and goals on the environment have been normalized, establishing rights and obligations for the people and for the State itself and for other public organisms (Miranda, 2011).

1.2.1. Environmental management

Environmental management can be defined as:

"The process through which a set of activities, mechanisms, and actions are carried out to minimize the consumption of raw materials, products, waste, and reduce pollution. This implies a minimum environmental impact and greater satisfaction of society and its quality of life. This is achieved through planning, tools implementation, control, and improvement." (Isaac & Rodríguez, 2010).

In other words, environmental management is the set of actions carried out with the purpose of protecting and using environmental resources appropriately. It has different perspectives and scales. For example, the rural or urban environment, a specific policy, a global threat, an impact due to an economic activity, or the conservation or proper treatment of a natural resource. It is because of this breadth, that environmental management can be administered through different levels of government such as national, provincial, and municipal, among others, and it can also be administered by the private sector in the different territorial areas ranging from neighborhoods to the global level (Rodríguez-Becerra & Espinoza, 2002).

1.2.2. Instruments

For correct environmental management it is necessary to implement instruments that promote environmental conservation and protection. Thus, the instruments for environmental management are public policy tools to respond to environmental problems (Rodríguez-Becerra, 2002). The point of the environmental instruments is related to its purpose, which is attainable through the plans. Therefore, a plan is the combination of several instruments, in order to achieve the objectives, set by public policies (Rodríguez-Becerra, 2002).

Hence, the effectiveness of an environmental instrument depends on a set of factors such as the nature of the problem, the actors involved, economic, political, and social conditions, among others (Rodríguez-Becerra, 2002). In other words, it is necessary to take into account the context in which an environmental management instrument is to be implemented, since the way in which it can be applied can define the scope and limitations of the proposed objectives. The four most well-known types of environmental management instruments, based on the IDB's Department of Sustainable Development, are the following:

1.2.2.1. Legal Instruments:

This type of instrument, also known as command and control, is based on the declaration of standards and the consequent sanction for non-compliance with them. That

is, it is based on the principle of coercion-sanction in order to fulfill the purpose of environmental care (Rodríguez-Becerra, 2002). In this way, regulatory mechanisms for the prevention and control of environmental pollution are established, among which the standards stand out, as one of the tools most used by States to control and regulate environmental pollution (Weitzenfeld, 1996).

The environmental standards could be: 1) environmental quality control on the use of natural resources and specific measures of concentration of certain substances in the ecosystem; 2) emission and waste disposal; 3) products and production processes (Rodríguez-Becerra, 2002). It should be noted that these environmental standards may be primary or secondary depending on their approach. On the one hand, the primary standards focus on the health of the population, while secondary standards are related to environmental protection (Rodríguez-Becerra, 2002). Therefore, environmental standards promulgate requirements that ensure the environmental protection and health of the population. See Table 2.

Table 2: Types of Environmental Standards

TYPE OF STANDAR D	DESCRIPTION	ADVANTAGES	DISADVANTAG ES
Environment al quality	It establishes the maximum permissible concentrations of pollutants in the environment	It provides the basis for evaluating the effectiveness of existing controls	Requires technical knowledge about the effects of contaminants
Broadcast and download	It sets the maximum pollutants emitted from a polluting source	It allows easy government control	It involves high monitoring costs
Emission and download based on	It specifies the type of technology to be used, as discharge treatment or as	It provides maximum government	There is no flexibility in control

technology	emission control equipment	control	technologies. It involves high monitoring and implementation costs.
Emission and download based on performance	It defines a removal rate. For example, volume or concentration percentage to be obtained.	It allows cost reduction and flexibility in control technologies.	It involves high monitoring costs
Product / process	It establishes the total allowable amount (or maximum concentration) of contaminants in a given product. They set the types of processes associated with certain industrial activities.	It eliminates or limits the emission of pollutants before production	It requires the use of substitutes for prohibited products.

Source: Weitzenfeld, 1996, pg. 9

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First, environmental quality standards arise after a process of measuring the impact that certain processes and elements may have on a specific resource - water, air, or soil -, or on the whole ecosystem. In other words, the capacity of the natural resource and its ecosystem to withstand pressures from external elements and to recover its state of equilibrium is measured. For this, physical, chemical and biological criteria are taken into account. Thus, the quantity, class, user requirements, management, and the component disposal of natural resources are established (Rodríguez-Becerra, 2002).

Second, emission standards are measured based on the dispersion of pollutants from the emitting source and their impact on natural resources, especially those mentioned above. That is, physical, chemical, or biological contamination of natural resources, including landscapes, is foreseen through the establishment of standards for the emission of polluting elements (Rodríguez-Becerra, 2002). In case of non-compliance, the principle of coercion-sanction is applied, in order to protect the environmental quality objectives with internal legislation and prevent the deterioration of the environment.

Finally, the rules on products and production processes refer to the parameters in the production process, so that through clean technology and appropriate processes the environmental impact is minimized. Thus, a quality product with specific characteristics that avoid environmental damage is delivered to the client (Rodríguez-Becerra, 2002). Therefore, it is necessary to know about the types of environmental standards and environmental conditions of a site, and their socio-economic reality in order to best adopt and comply with the standards.

1.2.2.2. Economic Instruments:

The economic instruments integrate economic and environmental decisions, which help to comply with the regulations established for environmental management. This type of instrument seeks monetary equivalence for environmental damages caused by the use of natural resources, especially if they end up causing environmental pollution. In this way, this system tries to discourage polluting behavior (Rodríguez-Becerra & Espinoza, 2002).

Based on Panayoutu's document about "Economic instruments for environmental management and sustainable development" – 1994, Rodríguez-Becerra & Espinoza (2002) propose the following classification of economic instruments:

Fine and fees systems,

Tax instruments.

Financial instruments,

Responsibility system,

Deposit refund system,

Property rights,

Market creation (Rodríguez-Becerra & Espinoza, 2002)

Among the economic instruments that are most used, especially in Latin America and the Caribbean, are the fees or fines that apply to emissions, effluents, or use of renewable natural resources (Rodríguez-Becerra & Espinoza, 2002). This system is based on the principle of environmental law "polluter pays", which attempts to value environmental damage, the costs of the decontamination process and irreparable damage costs (Rodríguez-Becerra & Espinoza, 2002).

The next instrument is conventional taxation, which is nothing more than traditional taxes that are used especially for the conservation of ecosystems and the promotion of clean energy or decontamination systems. The taxes will depend on the desired objective, such as to discourage the consumption of a specific resource for its conservation or for the generation of resources for environmental management, mainly to repair damage or, as already mentioned, for the implementation of a decontamination system or clean technology (Rodríguez-Becerra & Espinoza, 2002).

The third instrument is direct economic incentives, such as payments for environmental services and the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM). These incentives are payments, whether monetary or in kind, to certain parties so that they are responsible for conserving, protecting, or restoring a specific environmental resource. It should be noted that this incentive is not the same as a subsidy, since these payments granted to companies do not exceed the monetary value that would be generated with public environmental services. On the other hand, the CDM is a type of instrument that originates from the Kyoto Protocol, and works as follows: two countries establish an agreement in which a developed country reduces its greenhouse gas emissions through the funding of a project in a developing country (Rodríguez-Becerra & Espinoza, 2002).

A fourth instrument is the creation of green markets. This refers to the generation of green products or services to promote the sustainable use and conservation of natural resources. For example, ecosystem maintenance, carbon sequestration, ecotourism, semi-industrialized products such as wood or oils, and final products such as handicrafts or paper (Rodríguez-Becerra & Espinoza, 2002).

1.2.2.3. Information, education, and environmental research instruments:

As the name implies, this type of instrument refers to the different media on environmental management and care, in order to raise awareness in society and promote the creation of environmental policies. Thus, the first point is the environmental information systems. An environmental information system can be defined as the set of data and information, structured and limited, referring to the environment and intended for public knowledge, to adopt environmental decisions that promote sustainable development (Rodríguez-Becerra, 2002).

In the first instance, the identification of the main environmental problems and their causes and consequences can be foreseen, in order to determine the possible solutions (Rodríguez-Becerra & Espinoza, 2002). Then, the community's representative is expected to create environmental awareness and empowerment to demand their rights to live in a healthy environment. It is also expected to share information on these environmental problems, and the role of environmental management to solve them.

In order for this information system to be carried out and to be useful at the time of its application, whether at the national, regional, or local level, by the competent authorities or citizens, it is necessary to publish such information on environmental and performance indicators of environmental management (Rodríguez-Becerra, 2002). In this way, the information is available easily accessible. For example, there are publications about national parks, protected areas, and biodiversity among others, which promote the spread of knowledge about the environment, about social empowerment and about environmental management (Rodríguez-Becerra, 2002).

1.2.2.4. Administrative Instruments:

Administrative instruments are the most used to control and prevent environmental deterioration and pollution. These regulations are created to control the emission and management of solid waste, and in case of non-compliance, sanctions are applied. Such

regulations control the whole production process and its technological standards. These control and restrict the use of renewable natural resources (Rodríguez-Becerra & Espinoza, 2002). In this respect, the main instruments are the following:

Environmental quality standards, which ensure acceptable levels of natural resources such as water, air, and soil, for the protection of the environment and at the same time for use by the population.

Emission standards, which are environmental parameters for the air, water, and solid waste emissions of those who generate pollution.

Environmental licenses, which are granted by an environmental authority. This paves the way for the execution of works or on the other hand, allows the development of an activity even if it causes changes in the environment but at the same time establishes responsibility for "preventing, mitigating, correcting, and managing the environmental effects that are generated by the performance of such authorized activity" (Rodríguez-Becerra & Espinoza, 2002).

1.2.3. Environmental management towards sustainable development

Environmental Management promotes the correct use of environmental resources, therefore, it is directly linked to sustainable development. This new development concept arises in response to territorial, economic, and human imbalances, and proposes a new model that guides management practices to address the environmental issue (Novo, 2003). That is, a new development model based not only on the economic perspective but one that promotes the balance between the social, economic, and environmental goals.

This is how development becomes sustainable. Therefore, communities must actively participate in the creation of alternatives for the development of their community avoiding the transfer of social models from the Cooperating States and avoiding the North-South dependency (Novo, 2003). So, each community has the ability to use its own instruments, discover its strengths and limitations, and develop a growth system that emerges from its local reality.

1.2.4. Territorial local development

The concept of local development arises in response to globalization and its open market form, which concentrates economic power in a few territories - the so-called developed countries - at the expense of a majority that is excluded from such growth. For this reason, in the 1980s local development (LD) became popular - as a result of the decentralization of the State - and became the new paradigm of the regional economy (García Jurado, 2004).

The LD focuses on initiatives such as clusters, industrial districts, enterprises, etc., which help to recover forms of artisanal production that constitute a cultural foundation, and to learn about the means used by communities to subsist with a limited environmental impact (García Jurado, 2004).

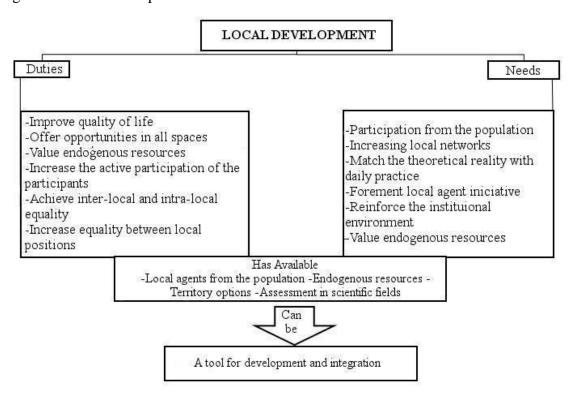
From this point of view, local development can be defined as the economic dynamics of cities or regions that are organized based on industrial activities, using the development potential that exists in said territory which fosters the development and quality of life of its communities (García Jurado, 2004). That is to say, social development is promoted and it leaves aside the duality of the center - periphery markets. It should be noted that this new development model has a more humane and sustainable point of view, as it ignores the so-called "development poles" -from outside the territory-, giving rise to the concept of endogenous local development which is generated from bottom to top.

For this, the work of the local government is needed to drive the endogenous development processes that allow for equitable social distribution and the least environmental impact. Thus, some policies are established where the territory should be the main means to receive the effects of economic, social, and environmental activities.

These policies have three fundamental characteristics on which local development, decentralization, de-bureaucratization, and privatization are based (García Jurado, 2004). The most obvious factor is the decentralization of powers and capillary dynamics: from bottom to top and sideways.

Hence, a good local government is required to stimulate sustainable human development, because in the face of environmental, social, and cultural hazards, endogenously based local development constitutes a long-term solution (Rosales, 2009). Additionally, the connection between local actors, the appraisal of local potentials, the capacity to promote local enterprises, and local, national, and international interactions, is needed (Boiser, 2006) See Figure 3.

Figure 3: Local Development



Source: (Juárez Alonso, 2013, pg. 14)

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As it can be seen in figure 3, local territorial development is a tool for integration and development from the reality of each community. Thus, to achieve this development model requires the incorporation of the three phases detailed as follow.

1) The LD as an industrial structure matrix:

This approach is evident in the new models of local industrial production.

First: the industrial district. This is based on work specialization, cooperation within the processes, and the competitive capacity vis-à-vis other industries (Boiser, 2006).

Second: the innovative medium. This aims to reduce uncertainty and business risks through the use of material, intangible, technological, and human resources that allow them to be at the forefront of the market.

Third: the clusters. These are groups of companies working in the same industrial sector which create a business network to share learning processes and reduce risks, to deal with large companies (Boiser, 2006).

2) LD as an endogenous process of structural change:

An endogenous development process implies the unique and direct action of the community, which has the capacity to develop a new socio-economic model based on the sustainable use of the territory's resources for its benefit. That is, endogenous development is the ability to innovate locally (Boiser, 2006). This development model is presented in four areas, the political scope, the ability to design and execute development policies; the economic scope, reinvestment for diversification and long-term livelihood; the scientific and technological scope, through the creation of spaces for research and development; and the cultural scope, the defense of socio-territorial identity (Boiser, 2006).

3) LD as empowerment of local society:

This last approach emphasizes the importance of local responsibilities for the construction of policies that foster the endogenous capacities of the region. Although local development emerges as a response to globalization, it is this same phenomenon that the assumption of territorial responsibilities for new processes of social change and for a new development model (Boiser, 2006). For this, local communities are required to understand the existing development model, to organize collectively, and to be guided by a regional culture responding to local problems for the benefit of the community.

1.2.5. Environmental management and management in Ecuador

1.2.5.1. Ecuadorian Constitution

Relationship between the environment and human beings

The 14 article of the Constitution of Ecuador (2008) recognizes the right of people to live in a healthy and balanced environment, seeking sustainability and quality of life. In addition, ecosystems conservation, biodiversity, and genetic heritage is sought, as well as the prevention and recovery of natural spaces that have been degraded or damaged. In addition, in article 66, under number 27, this same right is recognized again, taking into consideration that one must live in harmony with nature (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2008).

Regulation regarding the environment and nature

According to the Constitution of Ecuador (2008), the environmental management is regulated, starting from article 10. Thus, the Constitution acknowledges that nature is subject to the rights recognized in the Constitution. Additionally, the II title of the Constitution, "Rights" (2008), mentioned within the Seventh Chapter, acknowledges that the rights of nature are established from article 71 to 74, which are as follows:

Right to restoration, which states that the State and natural or legal persons have the obligation to indemnify individuals or groups that have been harmed by the dependence on natural systems.

The State must implement more efficient mechanisms for the restoration of non-renewable natural resources.

The State will apply precautionary and restrictive measures for activities that endanger species, ecosystems, or natural cycles.

The environmental services may not be seized and their production, provision, use and exploitation will be regulated by the State.

People and groups have rights to benefit from the environment (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2008).

In article 395 (2008), environmental principles are recognized as follows:

- 1. Ensure a **sustainable development model** that conserves and protects biodiversity and its regeneration capacity,
- 2. The environmental management policies will be transversal and will be applied to all levels of the State and natural or legal persons,
- 3. The **participation of people** in all activities that generate environmental impacts will be guaranteed,
- 4. In case of doubts about environmental matters, **what is most favorable to nature** will always be applied (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2008).

In article 399 (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2008), it is established that the protection of the environment and the relationship with citizens and its preservation will be controlled through the National Decentralized System of Environmental Management, which in addition to this, will be in charge of the defense of the environment and nature. It is worth mentioning that in article 263 (2008) environmental management is mentioned as the exclusive responsibility of provincial governments. Article 267 (2008) establishes that rural parish governments have authority in development planning and territory planning. They also have powers for the preservation of biodiversity and the protection of the environment (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2008), in accordance with COOTAD and the Organic Code of the Environment (CODA), certain duties specific to other levels of government are specifically established in environmental management.

1.2.5.2. Organic Environment Code

The Organic Code of the Environment, by its acronym CODA (for its acronym in Spanish), was published in the Official Register in 2017, and came into force one year after said publication. The purpose of this Code is to guarantee the fulfillment of the right to live in a healthy environment, as well as the protection of nature, and the environmental guarantees contained in the Constitution (National Assembly, 2017). Likewise, the regulation of the exploitation of non-renewable natural resources and all productive activities must be governed according to the provisions of the Code regarding Environmental Management (National Assembly, 2017).

Regarding its purposes, the establishment of instruments of the National Decentralized System of Environmental Management, and the responsibility of the citizens for its application stand out (National Assembly, 2017). In addition, article 8 highlights the environmental responsibility of the State to foster international cooperation with subjects of the international community, to establish relationships in the area of nature rights and environmental management, without such cooperation affecting international sovereignty (National Assembly, 2017). It should be noted that article 8, number 4, determines the importance of working with the community - individually and in all forms of association - in the process of public policies and environmental management (National Assembly, 2017).

In Title I, Chapter I of the National Decentralized System of Environmental Management, Article 12 indicates the importance of this system, since it allows the cohesion of the organisms and their connection with the citizens in environmental matters through management regulations and instruments. Likewise, said system is established as a base mechanism for supervision and control through environmental management, and for the protection of the natural resources and of the rights of nature (National Assembly, 2017). It should be noted that organizations whose functions do not involve environmental responsibilities must apply the provisions established in the CODA, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution.

Chapter II, Instruments of the National Decentralized System of Environmental Management, highlights the form of citizen participation in environmental management to promote its analysis, and the association of society with the State at all levels of government, through the mechanisms described in the law. For example: 1) The Citizen Council for the Decentralized System of Environmental Management, and 2) Local Consultative Councils for the monitoring, control, and evaluation of public policies in environmental matters of the Decentralized Autonomous Governments (National Assembly, 2017).

Regarding the funds for environmental management, Article 20 establishes that the National Environmental Authority which is the Ministry of Environment, will be responsible for issuing standards for the management of public, private, or mixed funds, in

accordance with the priorities determined in the National Development Plan (National Assembly, 2017). Here, the power of the ADG to create environmental funds that allow the development of environmental management is highlighted, as long as it is aligned with the guidelines of the Ministry of Environment and the provisions of the CODA (National Assembly, 2017).

Likewise, it is indicated in article 21, that the National Fund for Environmental Management is public and will be used to support projects or activities of environmental nature that promote its protection or repair. Article 22 details the sources of financing for said fund such as income that comes from fees, agreements, or concessions, budget collected by fines and forfeitures, and cooperation and donations from national and international organizations, among others (National Assembly, 2017).

1.2.5.3. National Development Plan

Within the National Development Plan (2017-2021), environmental management is embodied in Axis 1: Rights for all throughout life. This axis promotes three basic obligations, which include the following:

Respect for the rights of the State,

Protect the rights. If these are incurred the State must enforce their fulfillment and reparation,

Perform, which means that the State must act proactively to guarantee rights.

In the Ecuadorian Constitution the right to human beings to live in a healthy and balanced environment is recognized, and in the National Development Plan such right is taken as the basis for environmental management, where part of the diagnosis establishes that the State must ensure sustainable governance, especially in the management of natural resources, to guarantee the protection of nature and the human life (National Planning Council, 2017).

Also, within the context that Ecuador is a territory with a tendency for disasters, both natural and anthropic in origin, inter-institutional work for the development of strategies that allow prevention, mitigation, and risk reduction should be promoted. At the same awareness and participation within communities should be encouraged (National Planning Council, 2017).

At the same, the policy of multilevel territorial planning seeks that all public works and productive activities comply or proceed in accordance with the standards of environmental management, with the objective of complying with the intergenerational principle of guaranteeing sufficient natural resources for future generations (National Planning Council, 2017).

1.2.6. Environmental Management in parish ADGs

1.2.6.1. CODA

The second chapter of CODA about Environmental Faculties of Autonomous Decentralized Governments (Article 28 of the Faculties of Rural Parish Decentralized Autonomous Governments), indicates that it will exercise environmental powers in accordance with the provisions of the law, the regulations issued by the National Environmental Authority, and in accordance with the policies of the Provincial, Metropolitan, and Municipal ADGs (National Assembly, 2017).

Thus, the following are among its fields of action: 1) the development of plans, programs, and projects related to forest resources and wildlife, 2) deforestation and reforestation for conservation, 3) the promotion of plant nurseries and seedlings, 4) the insertion of climate change criteria into the Development Plans and Territorial Planning (PDYOT) and other parish planning instruments, and 5) the promotion of environmental education, organization, and citizen oversight of the environmental rights of nature (National Assembly, 2017).

1.2.6.2 COOTAD

Within the Organic Code of Territorial Organization, Autonomy, and Decentralization (COOTAD for its acronym in Spanish), the political-administrative

organization of the State is established in the territorial scope at the levels of autonomous decentralized governments with the objective of guaranteeing political, administrative, and financial autonomy (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2010).

As mentioned earlier, the powers of decentralized autonomous governments are described very briefly in the Constitution of Ecuador, but COOTAD explains the functions in Article 6 more broadly, and the guarantee of autonomy is mentioned, where it is said that no function of the State or other authority may intervene in the autonomous decentralized governments. Among such functions, COOTAD mentions the capacity to reform, suspend or execute statutes. The execution of statutes is autonomous and can be done through the rural parish agreements or resolutions (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2010).

In this sense, article 65 acknowledges the exclusive duties of the rural parish ADG. Such ADG are responsible for territorial planning together with other institutions from the public sector and from society. In addition, article 65 encourages productive activities that seek to preserve biodiversity and protect the environment (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2010).

Article 136 of COOTAD (2010) establishes the environmental management powers and highlights the authority of rural parishes ADG as follows:

The authority should be in charge of defending the environment and nature through its management, subject to policies established by the national environmental authority on technical regulations and control (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2010).

Environmental licenses are granted to public works or projects that cause serious environmental impacts, risks, or threats to the health or welfare of the population (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2010).

The regional and provincial decentralized autonomous governments may establish fees in relation to the administration of river basins, with the objective of obtaining resources for their conservation and for the environmental management. The resources obtained will be used in the conservation and recovery of ecosystems with

water sources, in conjunction with autonomous decentralized parish governments and rural communities (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2010).

Rural parish autonomous decentralized governments will be the entities responsible for the promotion of activities that promote the preservation and protection of biodiversity and the environment (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2010). They must create and promote projects and/or programs for sustainable management within their territory, which must be in coordination with the policies, programs, and projects of other levels of government (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2010).

The activities for which the Rural Parish ADGs are responsible, are the following:

Watch over natural resources,

Ecosystem restoration,

Protection of water sources and courses,

Prevention and recovery of soil degraded by pollution,

Desertification and erosion;

Deforestation and reforestation preferably with native species adapted to the area;

Environmental education,

Citizen organization and monitoring of environmental and nature rights (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2010).

1.2.6.3. Environmental Management Duties of Decentralized Governments

Prepare and propose plans, programs, and projects for the conservation, promotion, protection, research, management, industrialization and commercialization of the forest resources, natural areas, and wildlife (National Council of Skills, 2017).

From the powers of the Environmental Management of the Decentralized Governments - published in the Official Gazette in 2015 - in the fourth section, Article 20 determines that the Rural Parish Autonomous Decentralized Governments should always (and when the correct coordination with the other levels of government is guaranteed) plan and manage within the framework of environmental management (National Council of

Powers, 2017). Within the scope of planning, the duties of parish ADGs are established as follows:

- 1. Prepare and propose plans, programs, and projects for the conservation, promotion, protection, research, management, industrialization, and commercialization of the forest resource, natural areas, and wildlife (National Council of Skills, 2017).
- 2. Develop plans, programs and projects to carry out deforestation and reforestation in forest plantations for conservation purposes, exclusively forestry lands, and forest aptitude (National Council of Skills, 2017).
- 3. Develop plans, programs and projects for the promotion and training of plant nurseries and seed orchards and the collection, conservation, and supply of certified seeds for the forest seed program (National Council of Skills, 2017).
- 4. The others that are established in the current national law and regulations (National Council of Skills, 2017)

Additionally, the rural parish ADGs have to:

- 1. Provide technical assistance in the development and implementation of projects and seedling supplies, and inputs from forest plantations.
- 2. Implement plans, programs, and projects to carry out deforestation and reforestation in forest plantations for conservation purposes, exclusively forestry lands, and forest aptitude.
- 3. All other responsibilities that are established in the current national law and regulations (National Council of Powers, 2017).

It should be noted that among the general provisions, it is pointed out that the governing body, in coordination with the National Powers Council, will generate an institutional strengthening plan for provincial, municipal, and rural parish ADGs within the framework of environmental management. In addition, it will be responsible for the formulation, implementation, control, monitoring, and evaluation of environmental management duties, in conjunction with citizen participation (National Powers Council, 2017) See Table 3.

Table 3: Parish Duties in the Environmental Management of Rural Parish ADGs

PARISH ADGS	PARISH DUTIES IN ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT OF RURAL PARISH ADGS Constitution of Ecuador				
Constituti					
Article 399	The protection of the environment and the relationship with citizens and its preservation will be directed through the decentralized national system of environmental management, which will be in charge of the defense of the environment and nature (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2008).				
Article 263	Environmental management as the exclusive responsibility of provincial governments				
Article 267	Rural parish governments have responsibilities in development planning and territorial planning. The preservation of biodiversity and the protection of the environment are also exclusive powers (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2008).				
COOTAL					
Article 136	Autonomous decentralized rural parish governments are the entities responsible for the promotion of activities that promote the preservation and protection of biodiversity and the environment. They must create and promote projects and / or programs for sustainable management that are within their territory, which must be in coordination with the policies, programs and projects of the other levels of government (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2010).				
	The activities for which they are responsible are those regarding the following: natural resources, ecosystem recovery, protection of water sources and courses; prevention and recovery of soil degraded by pollution, desertification and erosion,				

deforestation and reforestation preferably with native species adapted to the area, environmental education, citizen organization and monitoring of environmental and nature rights (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2010).

CODA

Article 28

- 1. Develop plans, programs, and projects for the protection, management, restoration, promotion, research, industrialization, and commercialization of forest resources and wildlife,
- 2. Forestation and reforestation of forest plantations for conservation purposes,
- 3. Promote the formation of plant nurseries, seed orchards, collection, conservation, and supply of certified seeds,
- 4. Insert climate change criteria in the Development and Territorial Plans and other parish planning instruments in a manner coordinated with provincial, municipal planning and national policies, and,
- 5. Promote environmental education, organization and citizen oversight of environmental rights and nature (National Assembly, 2017).

National Plan

Axis 1

Rights for all throughout life

This axis promotes three basic obligations, which are:

Respect the rights of the State,

Protect the individual rights and if infringed, the State must enforce their fulfillment and reparation,

Perform and guarantee rights (National Council of Skills, 2017).

Resolution of the National Duties Council: Environmental Management Duties of Decentralized Governments

Article 20.

Parish planning and management in coordination with the other levels of government (National Powers Council, 2015)

Article 21. Planning:

- 1. Prepare and propose plans, programs and projects for conservation, development, protection, research, management, industrialization and commercialization of forest resources, natural areas and wildlife.
- 2. Develop plans, programs, and projects to carry out deforestation and reforestation in forest plantations for conservation purposes, exclusively forestry lands, and forest aptitude.
- 3. Develop plans, programs, and projects for the promotion and training of plant nurseries and seed orchards for the collection, conservation, and supply of certified seeds for the forest seed program.
- 4. The others duties that are established in the law and current national regulations.

Article 22. Managem

ent:

- 1. Provide technical assistance in the development and execution of projects and supplies of seedlings and inputs from forest plantations.
- 2. Implement plans, programs, and projects to carry out afforestation and reforestation in forest plantations for conservation purposes, exclusively forestry lands, and forest aptitude.
- 3. The other duties that are established in the law and current national regulations.

Source: National Assembly of Ecuador, 2008; National Assembly of Ecuador, 2010;

National Assembly, 2017; National Council of Powers, 2017)

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CHAPTER 2: ANALYSIS OF THE CONTEXT OF THE RURAL PARISH OF SININCAY FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

2. Description of the Rural Parish of Sinincay

The parish of Sinincay is part of Cuenca and is located northwest of the city, within the Province of Azuay, in the southern part of Ecuador. The center of the parish is 15 minutes from the center of Cuenca, which is why it is considered an "area of urban expansion" (ADG Parish of Sinincay, 2015).

The territorial boundaries of the parish are:

North: borders the Chiquintad parish.

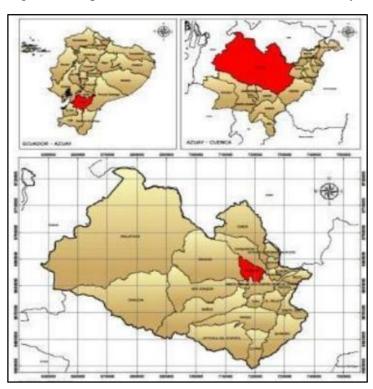
South: borders the urban parishes Bellavista and El Vecino.

East: borders the urban parish Hermano Miguel.

West: borders the Sayausí parish.

See Figure 4.

Figure 4: Map of the location of the Parish of Sinincay



Source: Municipality of Cuenca

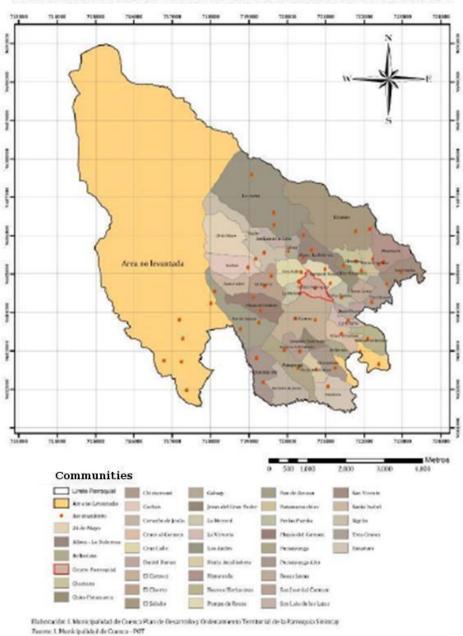
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Sinincay has 38 communities. "El Salado" is the community with the highest percentage of population, which represents 6.61% of the total population of the parish, while the community with the lowest population density is "La Victoria" with 0.78%. There is an area identified as an "unsurveyed zone" to which, due to the new borders, some communities of Sayausí, have begun to move, which represents 0.58% of the parish population (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015). See Figure 5.

Figure 5: Parish of Sinincay Political Division

Map 2: Political administrative division of the Sinincay Parish

POLITICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISIONS



Source: Municipality of Cuenca

Created by: PDYOT Sinincay 2014-2019

2.1. Social Axis

2.1.1. Population

According to the last census carried out by the National Institute of Statistics and Censuses (INEC) in 2010, the population of Sinincay was 15,859 inhabitants with a growth rate of 0.26% (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015); of which 8,582 inhabitants are women, that is, 54.11%, and 7,277 men, representing 45.89% (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015). As for the population pyramid, it can be said that the parish of Sinincay is a relatively young population, since 22.61% of its population is within the age range of 10 to 19 years, followed by children under 10 years, that is, 20.60% of the population. In contrast, older adults represent 7.88% (Parish ADG of Sinincay, 2015). See Figure 6. This is directly related to the 4.38% migration rate, since the majority of young people migrate abroad in search of job opportunities (Parish ADG of Sinincay, 2015).

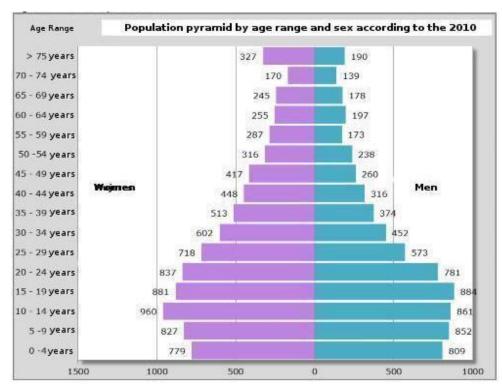


Figure 6: Sinincay Population Pyramid

Source: INEC, 2010

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It should be noted that if the student population of Sinincay is analyzed, it is low compared with the number of young inhabitants. Only 4,964 people (34.78%) attend an educational center. This directly affects illiteracy, hence 11.11% of the total population is illiterate (ADG Parish of Sinincay, 2015).

Taking the former into account, the main problems and potentials of the Sinincay ADG are mentioned, which are based on the PDYOT and on the information gathering matrix that was carried out in the parish as part of the field work. The methodology used was qualitative, through semi-structured interviews addressed to the members and the president of the Parish Board. In the same way, focus groups were held during the ADG assemblies, where representatives of the communities and residents participated, who presented their main opinions on the social, economic, and environmental axes described throughout this chapter.

2.1.2. Problems

Social organization:

Domestic violence, because of sexism and alcoholism mostly present in men towards women through psychological and physical violence. For this reason, most women are in charge of their families and do not receive an income (Huiracocha, 2019). Spaces are not adapted for people with disabilities, due to the lack of connection within the community. This is clearly evidenced in the abandonment they suffer,

because according to the Community Health Center, children with disabilities are abandoned by their fathers (Huiracocha, 2019).

As for abandonment of older adults, 32.9% of them live in poverty (ADG Parish of Sinincay, 2015). This happens given that most of their children have migrated. It should be noted that there are also problems of verbal violence towards older adults (Huiracocha, 2019).

Migration:

Family destruction, which is evidenced in the high rate of single mothers and in minors who remain in the care of extended family members (Huiracocha, 2019).

Teenagers are prone to alcohol and drug use due to the abandonment of their parents. Additionally, there is a high level of teenage mothers.

Population dispersal and low population density, because they travel abroad where their relatives are. Hence, 16.52% of homes are unoccupied (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

Basic services:

Sixteen communities out of a total of 38, that is, 55% do not yet have the infrastructure for sewers. Out of the rest, 24% use septic tanks, and 15% direct discharge. Other forms of septic disposal are also used, such as the blind well, latrines, or others. See figure 7 (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

Figure 7: Forms of waste water disposal

Categories	Census 2010		
	Cases	%	
Public sewage network	1792	45	
Septic ditch	101	3	
Septic tank	949	24	
Direct disposal into rivers, oceans, lakes, or ravines	591	15	
Latrine	48	1	
Other			
None	507	13	
Total	3988	100	

Source: INEC, 2010

Created by: PDYOT Sinincay 2014-2019

It should be noted that, according to the PDYOT, the Parish of Sinincay does not have a potable water service, only piped water. However, the construction of a drinking water matrix has been carried out in some sectors, such as San Lucas (Administration, 2019). In addition, there are still a total of 5 communities, that is, 14% of the total communities of this

parish, which do not have the infrastructure to access to the public water network (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

Lack of maintenance of the irrigation system, which directly influences diseases, as well as affects the state of nearby homes, recreational spaces and green areas (Huiracocha, 2019).

Equipment deficit in education due to population dispersion.

A lack of recreation equipment, lack of green areas both in quantity and quality due to lack of maintenance. Those that already exist are not enough for the number of inhabitants thus there is a 53% deficit in recreational equipment (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

Education:

Children aged 5-9 do not have access to education, since 23.95% of children have to work (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

Only 5.34% have completed third grade education, making it difficult to access to better job opportunities (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

Lack of sexual education, which leads to a high rate of single mothers -268 cases registered from 2014 to 2015- (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

2.1.3. Potential

Social organization

Mostly a young population, which enables the growth of the EAP², and the stimulation of the economy, through new sources of employment.

Thus, in 2015 the "Casa de Encuentros Manuel Puma Mayancela" project was created, which sought to be a space for social gatherings for children, youth, and older adults

² Economically Active Population (EAP): People 15 years of age and over who worked at least 1 hour during the reference week or although they did not work had a work (employees); and people who were not employed but were available to work and are looking for employment (unemployed) (National Institute of Statistics and Census - INEC, 2018).

in the parish. The Parish ADG began with maintenance, for this it provided materials and labor. In 2016, it began to function as a dining room for older adults with the support of the REMAR Foundation (Administration, 2019).

It should be noted that the space is not yet suitable to function as a social meeting space, since the studies for physical intervention ended at the end of 2018 (Administration, 2019). Currently, the project is under execution under the ADG monitoring.

Creation of entrepreneurial fairs, for example the agro-artisan fairs held every year at the parish festivities, a space in which artisans and farmers in the region can exhibit their products.

Within the productive projects, there is one that consists of "breeding and commercializing chickens and guinea pigs". This project consists of raising and handling of guinea pigs and chickens, and their direct sale. This project is developed by the Association of Producers of Minor Animals "Luchando para el futuro", in an Inter-Parish Productive Cooperation Agreement between MAGAP and the Rural Parish ADGs of Sinincay and Chiquintad (Administration, 2019).

In addition, it has the participation of children and young people with the support of educational institutions such as the Sinincay Educational Unit and the *Carolina de Febres Cordero* educational unit, which train students to raise these animals (Administration, 2019). Likewise, community talks are carried out to have a greater reception, and bi-monthly technical visits are made by the ADG to follow up on the project (Huiracocha, 2019).

Social projects to eradicate alcoholism and drug use, such as basketball, soccer, inclusive championships, dance school, Ecuadorian Andean Music School, the vacation camp. Most of these take place in the parish headquarters (Huiracocha, 2019).

Creation of workshops focused on priority care groups "Club del Adulto Mayor", which is a meeting place where they perform crafts, artistic-cultural and recreational activities (tourist outings outside the county), and basic computer classes with the support of the Info center (Administration, 2019).

Basic services:

Eighty-six percent of the population has access to the public water network (ADG Parish of Sinincay, 2015). In addition, there is significant progress in wastewater management projects. Since 2014 there are sewage projects that have been carried out in agreement with ETAPA. Thus, in 2018 the parish of Sinincay ADG invested 4,392,509.37 USD in sewerage projects.

It should be noted that the actions of the inhabitants are key since they are who let the ADG know about their needs for the management of the project's planning, and for the funding to execute the projects. As evidence, there is "Construction of the combined sewer San Vicente-Chictarrumi", agreement 22-R-2014, considered an emblematic work due to the impact it has in several sectors such as Chictarrumi, Jesús del Gran Poder, San José, Pumayunga alto, Pumayunga bajo, El Carmen del Verdillo, Loma de Mira, and Bellavista, with an extension of 16 km. This project had the contribution of ETAPA (\$481,525.36), of the Parish ADG (\$364,188.23), and of the Inhabitants (\$486,771.44) (Administration, 2019).

In addition, with the support of the parish ADG, the construction of water drains, drinking water networks, placement of water passage pipes, construction of rainwater channels, construction of a drinking water matrix, geotechnical studies, campaigns of water management, cleaning of the banks and streams, and campaigns for the maintenance and improvement of wastewater signaling, among others have been managed (Administration, 2019).

High potential for the creation of green areas. For this reason, the project "Cleaning of solid waste and maintenance of green areas, in cooperation with EMAC" (Administration, 2019) has been organized. In addition, awareness campaigns on the contamination of green spaces with the participation of the Sinincay Educational Unit are being performed. Finally, there are studies being carried out for the construction of infrastructure of green areas and for the acquisition of land for green areas on the banks of the Sinincay River (Administration, 2019).

Education:

Programs for the promotion of culture, health, and sports for children and adolescents. Festivals promoting rights, held on holidays such as Children's Day, Mother's Day, and Women's Day (Huiracocha, 2019).

Decentralizing basketball, football, dance, and music schools, with the commitment of community leaders. This project is still under study.

2.2. Economic-Productive Component

2.2.1. Productive structure

Within this point are the productive activities carried out in the parish according to INEC data. See Figure 8:

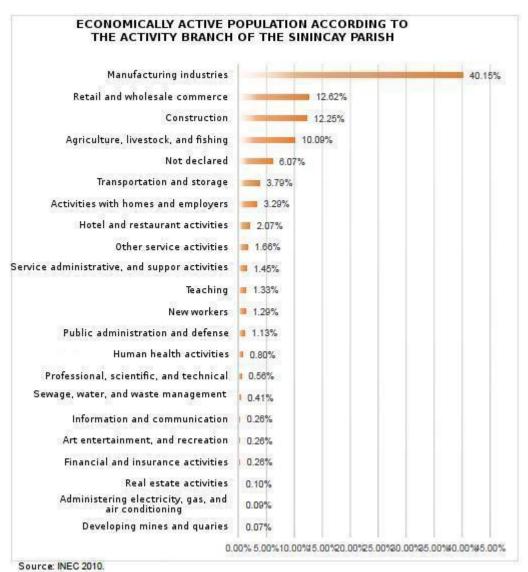


Figure 8: Division of the Economically Active Population (EAP) of the Parish of Sinincay

Source: INEC, 2010

Created by: PDYOT Sinincay 2014-2019

The main industry in the parish is manufacturing, with 40.15% of the EAP. It is followed by wholesale trade, with 12.62% of the EAP. The third main activity is agriculture, livestock, forestry, and fishing activities performed by 10.09% of the EAP (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015). The other activities are distributed among the rest of the economically active population. Other activities that stand out are transportation and domestic services (Parish of Sinincay ADG 2015). See Figure 9.

Figure 9:Trade activities division of the Rural Parish of Sinincay

Sinincay commerce and services			
ACTIVITY	No.	%	
Stores and Retail	149	40,93	
Professionals	32	8.79	
Mechanics	7	1,92	
Snack Stands	2	0.55	
Restaurants	12	3.30	
Beauty Salons	5	1,37	
Others	5	1.37	
Internet and phone cafes	10	2.75	
Stationary and Baza	ars 4	1.10	
Hardware stores	6	1,65	
Sports courts	35	9.62	
Event hall	2	0.55	
Public clinic	1	0,27	
Health subcenter	1	0.27	
Musicians and writers	s 16	4.40	
Private clinics	6	1.65	
Popular doctors	12	3.30	
Painters	11	3.02	
Brick workers	37	10.16	
Seamstresses	7	1,92	
Pharmacies	2	0.55	
Gas vendors	2	0.55	
TOTAL	364	100.00	

Source: PDYOT 2011, Sinincay

Created by: PDYOT Sinincay 2014-2019

Within this, 46.16% of the population, that is 6,907 inhabitants, belong to the EAP, of which 3,866 are men. In the primary sector (agriculture) there 696 active people; in the secondary sector (industry) there are 2,803 people; and in the tertiary sector (services) there are 3,393 people. This is detailed in the Figure 10 (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

Figure 10: Division of the EAP by economic sector and sex of the parish of Sinincay

		Men	Women	Total
Primary Sector	Agriculture, livestock, silviculture, and fishing	268	429	697
	Devoloping mines and quaries	4	1	
Secondary Sector	Industrial manufacturing	1.573	1.200	2.773
	Supply of electricity, gas, and air conditioning	6	0	(
	Water, sewage, and waste management	19	9	28
	Construction	822	24	84
	Wholesale and retail trade	429	443	873
	Transportation and storage	251	11	26
	Hotel and food services	33	110	14
	Information and communication	11	7	1
	Financial and insurance activities	6	12	1
	Real estate activities	4	3	- 8
Tertiary	Professional, scientific, and technical activities	22	17	3
Sector	Administrative and support service activities	66	34	10
Sector	Public defense administration	53	25	7
	Teaching	32	60	9
	Human health care activities	11	44	5
	Arts, entertainment, and recreation	11	7	- 1
	Other activities and services	26	89	11
	Activities employed by homes	8	219	22
	Not declared	157	262	41
	New work	54	35	8
	Total	3.866	3.041	6.90

Source: INEC 2010.

Source: INEC,2010

Created by: PDYOT Sinincay 2014-2019

2.2.2. Workforce and Employment:

The population of the Parish is divided into categories: population of working age (PET for its acronym in Spanish), economically active population (EAP), employed population, and unemployed population. See Figure 11 (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

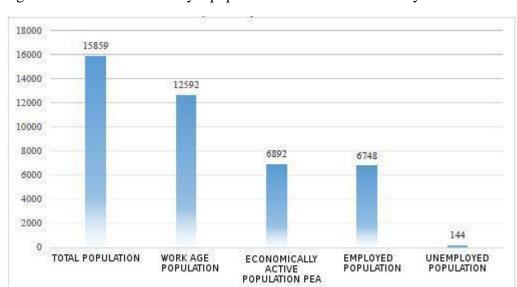


Figure 11: Parish of Sinincay's population divided economically

Source: PDOT COUNTY 2015 - INEC 2010.

Source: PDOT County, 2015

Created by: PDYOT Sinincay 2014-2019

The unemployment rate can be obtained from the data on figure 11, which is the relationship between the EAP and the unemployed population, resulting in 2.09%. This is similar to the entire Cuenca canton's unemployment rate and to the parish of Molleturo. See Figure 12 (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

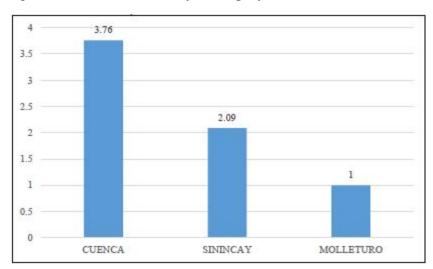


Figure 12: Parish of Sinincay Unemployment Rate

Source: PDOT County, 2015

Created by: PDYOT Sinincay 2014-2019

2.2.3. Financial system

Within the existing financial systems in the parish, there are no private or public financial systems, that is, there are no banks. However, there are credit unions as part of the informal and cooperative economy, which are the following:

Savings and Credit Union ERCO Ltd.

It is a cooperative also known as COOPERCO that began in 1965, in the city of Cuenca. With time it began to open new branches, among them one in Sinincay (in 2013). It also expanded even to other provinces: El Oro, Cañar, Guayas, Loja, Morona Santiago, and Zamora Chinchipe (COOPERCO, 2019).

Sinincay Integral Cooperative

Also known as MÁS COOP, it started its activities in 2015. It is located in the city of Cuenca and has a small structure and expansion (Chamber of Commerce of Cuenca, 2019).

Its main activity is to give out loans which are used for the implementation of productive enterprises, construction activities, and/or purchase of goods (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

2.2.4. Tourism

According to the latest Inventory of Tourist Attractions drawn up by the Ministry of Tourism in 2007, the parish of Sinincay does not have attractions within its territory (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015). However, to determine the tourism potential, an inventory of tourist sites (contiguous sets of resources with tourism potential) has been carried out, among which are: El Cerro Mishirrigri, Laguna de Pizarro, Laguna de Silla, Laguna de Cabogana, Bosque de Yurogcaca and the Sinincay town center (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

Taking into account the aforementioned, the main problems and potentials of the Sinincay ADG are mentioned in the following section. These are based on the PDYOT and

on the information gathering matrix that was carried out in the parish as part of the field work. The method was through semi-structured interviews addressed to the speakers and to the parish board president. Likewise, focus groups were held during the ADG assemblies, where there were community representatives participating, as well as the inhabitants who presented their main opinions on the social, economic, and environmental axes described throughout this chapter.

2.2.5. Problems

The main problems of the Parish of Sinincay are:

The low qualification of the workforce for secondary and agricultural activities.

There are few jobs and there is no fair payment to small farmers due to intermediation.

Within the productive activities, agricultural performance was because there are not proper agricultural practices. This does not allow for added value in agricultural products.

The technological and production capacity is limited. In addition, the lack of productive associations is a factor that also limits the productive capacity and the negotiation capacity.

Infrastructure in relation to production does not guarantee or help promote the conditions necessary for effective production.

The tourist attractions are in poor conditions which limits accessibility for interested parties.

The population has little or no knowledge about the operation and administration of tourist activities, and there are no public or private initiatives to promote the tourism potential of the parish.

Transportation needs to improve, since there are communities that are out of reach of standard transportation services.

There is a sector of small enterprises that need funding in order to grow, but do not have the support of financial institutions.

(Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

2.2.6. Potential

Having a 50% of EAP indicates that there is great labor potential, which gives the parish the opportunity to activate and create work sources (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

Due to the natural spaces in the parish, the green areas have a natural tourist potential that can be used in their favor.

The parish has potential in making marketing channels fairer, since this is one of the main problems for farmers.

Other opportunities that they have are public and private institutions that promote economic development as well as craft unions that offer advice and technical assistance.

For tourism, there are four options: the parish's downtown, the high altitude forest next to Yurakcaca, the agricultural fields (northwest of the parish), and the lacustrine system in the rain forest and grasslands.

Other tourist activities that the parish can offer are: hiking, sport fishing, participating in agricultural activities, horseback riding, mountain biking, camping, identifying medicinal plants, performance of myths and legends, rappelling, and bird watching. Tourism has support from the Provincial, Municipal, and Parish ADG with powers and projects to promote tourism within their jurisdictions. In addition, the Ministry

Ecotourism, experience tourism, adventure tourism, and culinary tourism are all important options for the Parish to have an income.

of Tourism promotes a "minga" for community tourism.

Within the financial system, due to the presence of savings and credit unions, there are the means for small businesses and other businesses to improve and grow through loans (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

The Project "Agricultural improvement for domestic units / Supervision and Monitoring" is being carried out this year, but has been in progress since 2016. For this project, a tractor is used to promote the agro-productive enterprises of the parish (Administration, 2019).

2.3. Biophysical System and evaluation of environmental management in Sinincay

2.3.1. Geomorphology

The Cordillera de los Andes crosses Ecuador. This gives Cuenca certain geomorphological characteristics such as a large number of reliefs. Sinincay is located within an area with such characteristics (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

2.3.1.2. Land use and coverage

A soil analysis can reveal the areas that are used in different activities such as urban land, agriculture, and protected areas, among others. In addition, with this study different characteristics and conditions of the parish can be identified.

With the foregoing as a reference it should be stated that most of the parish is covered by native forest (103ha), which represents 24.92% of the total of the parish. After that, there is a coverage of herbaceous rain forest (212ha) of 19.87%, which together with the previous one, have an extension of 44.79% of the total territory of Sinincay (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

2.3.1.3. Watersheds

The parish, due to the area in which it is located (south central region of the country), depends on the rainwater that accumulates and forms a common channel. This area is within the hydrography of the Paute River, therefore it occupies the sub-basin of the Machángara River and the sub-basin of the Tomebamba River. This sub-basin covers 60.35% of the Sinincay area on the Cabogana hill.

So it is distributed as follows, see Figure 13:

Figure 13: Areas that make up Sinincay water systems

SYSTEM	CUENGA	SUB-BA-SINS	MICRO-BASINS	AREA (Has.)	PERCENTAGE (%)
Santiago	Paute	Sub-basin of Rio Machangara	Río Machángara Bajo	2.826,94	60,35
			Subtotal	2.826,94	60,35
			Rio Culebrillas	6,12	0,13
			Río Tomebamba	1.850,92	39,57
			Subtotal	1.857,04	39,65
			TOTAL	4.683,98	100,00

Source: I.G.M. 25k. 50k,in UDA-IERSE Created by: I. Municipality of Cuenca - PDOT Rual

Source: Municipality of Cuenca

Created by: PDYOT Sinincay 2014-2019

An important part of water management is water capture, which within the parish happens in the "El Salado" sector. El Salado feeds the Potable Water System and is managed by the Administrative Board, "Asociación de Moradores Unidos de Sinincay", that works together with ETAPA (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

2.3.1.4. Slopes

Due to the slopes that exist in the parish, there is little territory that is considered flat or even slightly flat (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015). Due to this, it does not have spaces suited for agricultural activities or housing. As shown in Figure 14:

Figure 14: Slope classification of the Parish of Sinincay

DESCRIPCION	AREA F	(%)
0 - 5	545,79	11,65
5 - 12	752,11	16,06
12 - 25	1.417,06	30,25
25 - 50	1.499,87	32,02
50 - 70	355,42	7,59
>70	113,74	2,43
TOTAL	4.683,98	100,00

Created by: I. Municipality of Cuenca Source: I.G.M. 25k. 50k,/ UDA-IERSE

Source: Municipality of Cuenca

Created by: PDYOT Sinincay 2014-2019

2.3.2. Needs

Among the needs of the Sinincay ADG, is the noteworthy lack of both technical and economic resources, which hinder proper environmental management of the parish. As part of the technical resources, the lack of knowledge regarding environmental matters, the care

of streams, and deforestation, among others, contribute to environmental problems (Narváez, 2019).

In the same way, the lack of economic resources prevents training campaigns from being carried out, and hinders the implementation of sewerage, the provision of pure water, the care of streams, waste collection vehicles, etc., which allow a minimum adequate management of biophysical resources and the right of citizens to live in a healthy environment.

The lack of urban control should also be mentioned. Within the parish there are areas at risk of landslides, areas with topographic limitations, areas set aside for the protection of rivers and streams, or areas of active provenance (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015). As a consequence, 750 homes are located in a risk zone, which is 19% (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

As a consequence, many of the citizens do not have good environmental practices - often due to lack of knowledge - which results from a lack of interest. Additionally, the lack of citizen empowerment affects the actions of the authorities, who intend to meet the needs of the community. In other words, environmental issues are neglected and other projects or campaigns are prioritized, mainly in social fields.

The situation becomes clear upon taking into account the aforementioned problems and potentials of the Sinincay ADG, which are based on the PDYOT and on the information gathering matrix that was carried out in the parish as part of the field work. The method was through semi-structured interviews addressed to the speakers and the parish board president. Likewise, focus groups were held during the ADG assemblies, where community representatives participated, as well as the inhabitants who presented their main opinions on the social, economic, and environmental axes described throughout this chapter.

2.3.3. Problems

The relief of the parish shows that 32.92% of the surface has major slopes, this means that these are territories not suitable for agricultural or livestock development (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

Around 47.09% of Sinincay soil is exposed to erosion, especially in the highland area (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

Within the highland, only 6.27% are lands that can be used for permanent tillage. In addition, there are areas within the highland that can be used as forest and pastures (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

Within the management of the water system, there are personal interests and groups of people, as well as the management of the river basins, since they are not institutionalized.

There is water pollution due to anthropic activities.

The introduction of pines in the highland areas and within native forests has had a negative impact on biodiversity and hydrology.

The expansion of the agricultural frontier produces homogeneity of biological diversity.

Sinincay does not have detailed information on the fauna variety, only global data (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

There is no control over the reproduction of companion animals, despite the campaigns.

2.3.3.1. Environmental management

There are mining concessions within protected areas. This is incompatible with conservation. Currently, within the parish there are four mining concessions which have a term of 10 years (still in force). The Protected Forest Upper Basin of the Machángara River is within this region. This represents a danger as it was revealed that workers use explosives without adequate control or safety as recommended by the Mining Regulation and Control Agency (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

2.3.3.2. Landscape

The highland and native forests areas are in ranges of very high and high landscape fragility. This is made worse by human settlement pollution, which causes a deterioration in the landscape quality.

This result arises from the ecological-functional assessment that is measured through the ecological functionality of natural green areas. Some of the criteria for this evaluation are: water maintenance, CO2 capture, landscape resources, and diversity maintenance, among others. The importance and priority required for the management of these areas is given according to the ecological-functional assessment. See Figure 15 and 16:

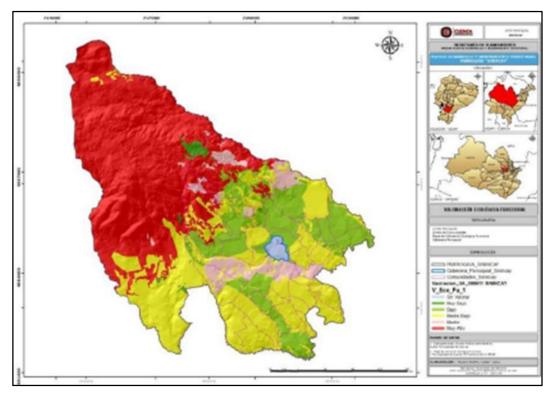


Figure 15: Ecological-functional assessment of the Sinincay territory

Source: Municipality of Cuenca

Created by: PDYOT Sinincay 2014-2019

Figure 16: Results of the ecological-functional assessment of the Sinincay territory

DESCRIPTION	AREA (Has.)	PERCENTAGE (%)
Not Evaluated	35,14	0,75
Very Low	41,95	0.90
Low	764.01	16.31
Medium Low	1.472.98	31,45
Medium	271,95	5,81
High	0,00	0.00
Very High	2.097.95	44,79

Created by: Municipality of Cuenca Source: Municipality of Cuenca County POT 2011/IERSE

4.683,98

Source: Municipality of Cuenca

Created by: PDYOT Sinincay 2014-2019

2.3.4. Resources

Sinincay is considered within the urban expansion plan, based on technical plans prepared by the Municipality of Cuenca. The parish has a rural housing presence of 193.39 ha, which represents 4.12% of the total area (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015). Sinincay ADG has both natural and human resources.

As detailed above, the biophysical system of the parish allows it to have a variety of biophysical elements, such as hydrographic sources. For example, the main rivers of the parish are Patamarca, Sinincay, and Amarillo. There are also gaps, such as Pizarro, Silla, Cabogana, and small lagoons called "Cochas", which contribute to the beauty of the parish and its tourist potential (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

On the other hand, most of the citizenry is dedicated to cultivation. Which is the reason why there is a mosaic of crops and cultivated grass that occupy a total of 1,579.4 ha, that is, 33.72% of the total area (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015). This constitutes a primary contribution, for biological diversity as well as for the agricultural industry.

Although there has been no adequate management of these spaces, these natural resources have the potential to provide the community with not only recreational spaces through the implementation of green areas, but also with funding to implement eco-tourism.

As for human resources, the inhabitants of the parish have participation spaces that allow them to present plans or projects according to their needs. Whether through their representatives or directly, the community has the opportunity to actively participate in the decision-making process of the ADG. It should be noted that many of the projects implemented by the ADG are carried out with the initiative and sponsorship of its inhabitants (Narváez, 2019).

Additionally, the community spirit stands out with the so-called "minga" practice, an activity that promotes the participation of all for a common purpose (minga can be translated as work group, though it is a casual or even spontaneous gathering rather than a formally organized group of professionals). Although mingas take place in the social axis, they can be directed towards the environment (even though in the environmental area the mingas have not had the expected impact). Well, for this it is necessary that citizens acknowledge their need for environmental management, identify problems, deal with them, and receive the corresponding support.

2.3.5. Potential

The Parish of Sinincay has the following resources:

There are piedmont deposits that could be extracted and used as raw material for construction activities.

The soils have the potential for agricultural production, without taking into account the 39.60% corresponding to protected lands or natural reserves.

Around 24.92% of the parish area is occupied by native forests and the climatic variety allows productive diversity.

The hydrological regulation favors the highlands.

Within biodiversity, reforestation with pine trees is a productive alternative to reduce pressure on native forests.

Trout farming represents a productive alternative for the inhabitants of the sector.

Within wildlife control, the sterilization campaigns of companion animals must continue.

Around 44.79% of the surface has a very high landscape valuation.

(Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015)

Among the projects that are managed within the Biophysical System during this year are the following:

- 1. Construction of the Chitarrumi park
- 2. Adaptation of Las Totoras Park (Mayancela Ecological Park)
- 3. Conservation and recovery of green and recreational spaces in various sectors of the parish. This project is being developed along with the Municipal Waste Management Department EMAC.
- 4. Sterilization campaign: This is a project that has been carried out within the Parish since 2015. It is especially focused on dogs and cats.
- 5. Community Security Project: This project aims to provide community alarms for the following sectors: La Dolorosa de Balzay, Yanaturo, and Tres Cruces (Administration, 2019).

2.4. Functional Organic Structure

The organizational structure of the Parish of Sinincay ADG is based on its mission of acting autonomously in the political, administrative, and financial processes for the development of the parish (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015). Thus, its organizational focus is focused on processes, services, and products as seen in Figure 17.

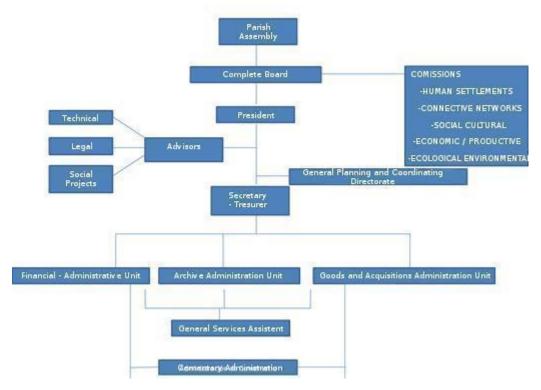


Figure 17: Organic functions of the Parish of Sinincay ADG

Source: Structural and Functional Organization of the Parish of Sinincay Government Created by: (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015)

Thus the organizational structure of the Parish of Sinincay ADG is made up of the following levels:

1. Citizenship and civil society that is part of the following:

Parish General Assembly

Planning Council

Oversight Committee (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015)

2. Legislative, administrative, operative, and supervisory acts

Plenary session of the Parish Government: members elected by popular vote

Commissions: organized by the elected members, they can be permanent, special, occasional, or technical (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015)

3. Executive, which guides and executes policies

President

Vice President (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015)

4. From the operational level, complementary technical and administrative assistance

General Coordination and Planning Directorate

Secretary

Treasury (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015)

5. Administrative

Financial-Administrative Unit

Archives Unit

Asset Management Unit: Acquisition and Custody

Sinincay Cemetery Administration (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015)

6. Level of Assessment

Legal Assessment

Technical Assessment

Project Assessment (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015)

It should be noted that in March 2019, the current parish ADG authorities were elected through a popular vote, who as of May assumed their functions, with Mr. José Atancuri as head of the Parish Board.

Regarding the institution of the ADG, it is necessary to highlight its most relevant problems and potential, based on the PDYOT of the parish and the field work that was carried out - in assemblies and through interviews with the current authorities.

To begin with, some community leaders do not have the necessary preparation for properly planning, which leads to a lack of participation and interest in some ADG leader projects, and the lack of prioritization of works for common benefit (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015). In addition, there is a limited capacity for organization at the community level, as several community representatives exercise authority ignoring the popularly elected dignitaries, which causes a lack of authority rotation, mainly of the neighborhood president.

In contrast, there is a direct citizen initiative for proposing projects and incommittees- participation for improvements, as well as there are general assemblies. As a consequence, women show their interest in taking leadership roles within their community, although there is still no gender equity among the authorities.

Finally, the organizational structure grants managerial authority to the ADG. However, outdated and incomplete documentation, lack of specialization, the temporary nature of technicians, and the lack of economic resources hinder comprehensive and continuous management, and prevent decision making to implement projects that would benefit the ADG.

CHAPTER 3: PROPOSAL FOR THE INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION PLAN FOR THE PARISH OF SININCAY ADG ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

3. Pilot Plan for International Cooperation for Environmental Management at the Parish level

This chapter will refer to a summary of the Parish of Sinincay context with a focus on the socio-cultural, productive, and environmental axes, as well as the organizational structure and the way in which the parish ADG functions.

Later, a model of an environmentally focused project will be presented along with an explanation about how the decentralized International Cooperation process can be done.

3.1. Territorial Institutionalization: Description of the territory

Table 4 highlights the main aspects of the Parish of Sinincay, which are detailed in chapter two:

Table 4: Description of the Parish of Sinincay

PARISH OF SININCAY		
LOCATION	Cuenca is located to the northwest of the county, within the Province of Azuay.	
BORDERS	North: Parish of Chiquintad South: Parishes of Bellavista and El Vecino East: Parish of Hermano Miguel West: Parish of Sayausí	
COMMUNITIES	Total: 40 communities 1. 24 de Mayo, 2. Bellavista, 3. Chamana, 4. Chicopatamarca, 5. Chictarrumi, 6. El Chorro, 7. Corazón de Jesús, 8. Cruce al Carmen,	

	9. Centro Parroquial, 10. Cruz Calle, 11. Daniel Durán, 12. El	
	Carmen, 13. Galuay, 14. La Merced, 15. La Victoria, 16. Las	
	Cochas, 17. Santa Isabel, 18. Los Alisos-Dolorosa, 19. Los Andes,	
	20. Jesús del Gran Poder, 21. María Auxiliadora, 22. Mayancela, 23.	
	Nuevos Horizontes, 24. Pampa de Rosas, 25. Pan de Azúcar, 26.	
	Patamarcachico, 27. Perlas Pamba, 28. Playas del Carmen, 29.	
	Playitas, 30. Pumayunga Alto, 31. Pumayunga, 32. Rosasloma, 33.	
	El Salado, 34. San José de la Calzada, 35. San José del Carmen, 36.	
	San Luis de las Lajas, 37. San Vicente, 38. Sigcho, 39. Tres Cruces,	
	40. Yanaturo.	
POPULATION	15,859 total inhabitants	
	8,582 women - 54.11%,	
	7,277 men - 45.89%	
	22.61% youth	
	11.11% illiteracy	
	4.38% migration index	

Source: (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015)

Created by: (Ortega, Joseline; Viñansaca, Daniela, 2019)

3.2. General analysis of the Priority Axes of the Parish of Sinincay ADG for Rural Territorial Development

Table 5: Social Cultural Axis of the Parish of Sinincay ADG

Social Cultural Axis	
Resources	Potential
Social Organization: Mostly young population for economic recovery Active participation Organization of communities for the presentation of project proposals Natural Resources Sources of liquid water Natural spaces with high potential for recreation and ecological tourism Education: Participation of educational establishments in the ADG's programs	Social organization: Creation of entrepreneurship fairs Creation of workshops focused on priority attention groups Basic services: 86% of the population has access to the public water network Sewerage projects with ETAPA. Education: Programs for the promotion of culture, health, and sports for children and teenagers Rights promotion festivals
Needs	Problems

Social Organization:

Lack of participation spaces for women in leadership roles Lack of opportunities for women to grow economically Lack of adequate places for priority groups and people with disabilities

Migration

Lack of job opportunities in the area

Lack of land use

Lack of sex education

Basic services

Lack of infrastructure for sewage services (this makes up 55%)

Lack of irrigation system maintenance

Lack of green spaces

Education:

Equipment deficit in education due to population dispersion

Social Organization:

Domestic violence

Sexism

Alcoholism

Psychological and physical violence mostly from men to women

High instances of teenage mothers (268 cases between 2014-2015)

Abandonment of older adults (32.9% of them live in poverty)

Migration:

Family destruction

Alcohol and drugs used by teenagers Scattered population and low population density. Around 16.52% of houses are unoccupied

Basic services:

Improper wastewater management
There is a 53% deficit in recreation
equipment

Education:

There is 23.95% of child labor rate Only 5.34% have completed a third grade level of education.

Source: (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015)

Created by: (Ortega, Joseline; Viñansaca, Daniela, 2019)

Table 6:: Productive Economic Axis of the Parish of Sinincay ADG

	Productive Economic Axis	
Resources		Potential
40.15% Wholes EAP. Agricul forestry The une Within credit u The Par	employment rate is 2.09%. the financial system there are nions rish of Sinincay does not have ons, but it does have tourist	Practically 50% of population are EAP, which indicates the existence of a great source of labor. Green areas have a natural tourist potential. Potential in creating fairer marketing channels such as craft guilds with advice and technical assistance. Ecotourism, Experience Tourism, adventure tourism, and opportunities to produce culinary products
Needs		Problems
activity agricult observe The tec capacity The laci groups negotian The pop about of	•	Underqualified labor for secondary and agricultural activities. Few jobs and there is no fair salary. The infrastructure does not guarantee the necessary conditions for helping effective production Tourist attractions are in poor condition. Transportation does not provide service to all communities. Small businesses that do not have the support of financial institutions.

Source: (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015)

Created by: (Ortega, Joseline; Viñansaca, Daniela, 2019)

Table 7: Environmental axis of the Parish of Sinincay ADG

Environmental Axis	
Resources	Potential
Natural Resources: Variety of biophysical elements, where hydrographic sources stand out River axes: Patamarca, Sinincay, and Amarillo Lakes: Pizarro, Silla, Cabogana, and small lagoons called "Cochas" Mosaic of crops and cultivated grass - 33.72% of the total area The Biological diversity is evident especially regarding its native forests and protected areas Natural resources with recreational and ecological tourism potential. Human resources Initiative, sponsorship, and active participation in the ADG planning and projects development Mingas	Piedmont deposits which can be used as raw material for construction activities Sinincay is included within the urban expansion plan, based on technical plans developed by the Municipality of Cuenca. Farming industry Within wildlife control, the sterilization campaigns of companion animals must continue. Around 44.79% of the surface has a very high landscape value.
Needs	Problems
Technical resources	Technical resources

Unidentified environmental problems by inhabitants

Lack of knowledge regarding environmental matters, the care of streams, and deforestation, among other related issues

Lack of interest

The environment is left aside and projects or campaigns are prioritized, mainly in the social field.

Economic resources

origins

Lack of training campaigns,

Insufficient infrastructure for sewer implementation

Mishandling of pure water provision Deficit in stream care

Insufficiency of waste collection

vehicles

Lack of control in terms of urbanity,

especially in risk areas

Lack of care and maintenance in
rivers and streams or areas of active

750 homes are located in a risk zone, that is, 19%.

32.92% of the area is not suitable for agricultural or livestock development.

47.09% of Sinincay soil is exposed to erosion.

Only 6.27% are lands that can be used for permanent tillage.

Water system management and river basin management are not institutionalized.

Introduction of pines negatively impacts biodiversity and hydrology.

The expansion of the agricultural frontier produces biological diversity homogeneity.

It does not have detailed information on the fauna variety.

There is no control over the reproduction of companion animals, despite the campaigns.

There are mining concessions within protected areas.

Highland zones and native forests are in ranges of Very High and High landscape fragility.

Source: (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015)

Created by: (Ortega, Joseline; Viñansaca, Daniela, 2019)

3.3. International Cooperation Strategic Plan for the Parish of Sinincay ADG

3.3.1. Mission: What is the International Cooperation Plan?

International cooperation is necessary for the Sinincay ADG because it is a tool to implement projects, as it offers assistance in the absence of economic and technical resources. Thus, the International Cooperation plan grants the ADG the power and autonomy to carry out projects for the benefit of the community and at the same time establishes cooperation ties, and becomes an institutional reference as a cooperator at local and international levels, making the potential of the ADG known.

3.3.2. Vision: What is sought with the International Cooperation Plan?

The International Cooperation plan seeks to ensure that the project is and will be sustainable over time and serves as the basis for future projects. In addition, it seeks to position the ADG as an autonomous international cooperator, making its potential internationally known.

3.3.3. Objectives

Publicize the benefits of implementing international cooperation.

Generate an international cooperation project within the biophysical axis.

Provide the Sinincay ADG with the necessary guidance to implement the project.

Present alternatives from international organizations as potential cooperators

Learn how to present the project to an international organization

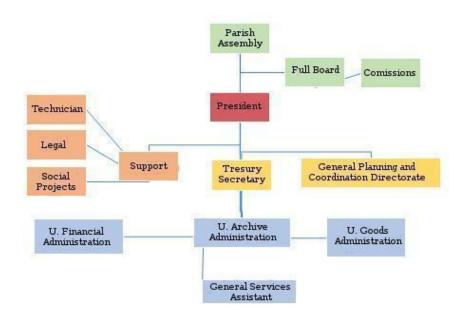
Present activities to be carried out to finish the project.

3.3.4. Strategies

3.3.4.1. Sinincay ADG Organizational Chart

The project's strategy is to reorganize the Organization Chart based on hierarchical levels, as is seen in Figure 18.

Figure 18: Sinincay ADG Organization Chart



Source: (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015)

Created by: (Ortega, Joseline; Viñansaca, Daniela, 2019)

3.3.4.2. Organizational Structure for the execution of International Cooperation in the Parish of Sinincay ADG

Based on Figure 18, the following Functional Organization Chart has been developed. This shows the duties of each level for International Cooperation (See Table 8).

Table 8: Functional Organization Chart for International Cooperation according to the duties of each level.

Functional Organization Chart for International Cooperation according to the duties of each level.

	PDYOT duties	Duties 009/ 2011
Legislative Level: General Assembly Parish Board Commissions	Administrative	Article 14 regarding regulation. Each ADG will regulate its management in relation to international cooperation (Resolution-009-CNC -2011, 2011). Article 14 regarding regulation within the scope of its duties. It may issue local regulations to regulate non-reimbursable international cooperation actions (Resolution-009-CNC -2011, 2011). Article 15 regarding control mechanisms. It establishes control mechanisms so that local regulations are complied with in relation to programs and projects carried out with non-reimbursable international cooperation, (Resolution-009-CNC -2011, 2011), such as: Define accountability, transparency, and access to information mechanisms so that results can be measured Carry out monitoring and impact evaluations of executed projects Maintain a registry of these projects and programs (Resolution-009-CNC -2011,
Executive Level: President	Define, orient, and execute policies	Article 10 on management: in paragraph 3 it is determined that the ADG must be part of the discussion on international cooperation

Adviser Level	Legal and technical projects	Should: Formulate, design, and prepare non-reimbursable international cooperation
		(Resolution-009- CNC -2011, 2011). Article 13 on planning: it is up to the ADG to establish local plans, strategies and agendas, in addition to organizing the supply and demand of cooperation with respect to its territorial planning (Resolution-009- CNC -2011, 2011). Article 16: to identify actors, resources, and offer that come from international cooperation (Resolution-009- CNC -2011, 2011). Identify, coordinate, and process the demands of international cooperation Schedule the management of international non-refundable cooperation Negotiate and sign agreements and other implementing instruments for international cooperation with international agreements between Ecuador and official cooperators, between decentralized cooperation entities, and among non-governmental cooperators. Establish, promote, and participate in discussion spaces with other levels of government and incorporate territorial needs Promote and participate in spaces with levels of government, international cooperators, civil society, and other actors for the discussion of intervention channels for international cooperation (Resolution-009- CNC -2011, 2011).

		projects.
		Execute international cooperation programs
		and projects.
		Periodically inform the national technical
		cooperation entity about the monitoring,
		status, and results of programs and projects.
		Article 19 establishes that the assistance of the
		national technical entity of international
		cooperation must be obtained, which will
		provide technical assistance (Resolution-009-
		CNC -2011, 2011).
Support Level	Financial,	Support in projects planning and monitoring and / or
	archives, and	support for cooperation programs.
	goods	
	administration	
Operative Level:	Complementary	Support in the formulation and preparation of projects
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Secretary-	technical and	or programs.
Treasury	administrative	Cooperation.
Planning and	assistance	
General		
Coordination		
Directorate		

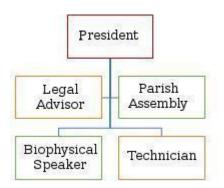
Source: (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015), (Resolution-009- CNC -2011, 2011)

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3.3.4.3. Organizational chart and description of functions for the International Cooperation Plan

As shown in figure 19, each official is expected to intervene in the International Cooperation Plan according to the duties described in table 8 on ADG levels and based on the organization chart established in the PDYOT.

Figure 19: Specific organization chart of International Cooperation for Environmental Management.



Source: (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015)

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President:

Schedule the activities already established in the work plan to be executed according to the established schedule.

Analyze the two proposals of international organizations, and choose the one with which the project will be executed.

Negotiate and sign international cooperation agreements (both organizations that are proposed have an agreement in force with Ecuador)

Promote the ADG as an actor within international cooperation through local agendas and in participation in international fairs. It can also be supported at other levels of government as per their relevance.

Legal Advisor

Design proposed projects taking into account legal and technical jurisdictions for approval.

Periodically inform the national technical cooperation entity about the monitoring, status, and evaluation results of the project.

Request assistance from the national technical entity for international cooperation when it deems appropriate.

Environmental Technician

Assist in the design of the project in terms of environmental matters.

Support the execution of the project presented, within the established work plan and schedule.

Assist as an expert in the area at each stage of the project (plant collection, plant nursery construction, training, and reports).

Biophysical Speaker

Identify the needs of its axis of action and present the project (project already presented).

Support the environmental technician and legal advisor in the design of the project.

Assist in the execution of the project.

Follow up: it is suggested to visit plant nurseries, training sessions, and submit the corresponding reports.

Perform evaluations based on the means of verification suggested in the work plan, in addition to feedback after training.

Register and file the submitted project for monitoring, control, and for future reference. It is suggested to do so both digitally and physically.

Parish Assembly

Approve the project in conjunction with the Parish Board

Regulate the activities of the project, it is suggested to establish the mechanisms of control and verification of the presented project - as well as of future international cooperation projects - as part of the local regulations

To establish control mechanisms, it is suggested to demand semiannual project reports that are presented in the assemblies so that they are transparent and of general knowledge.

Evaluate and supervise the project through the monitoring and control mechanisms presented.

3.3.4.4. ADG Promotion for International Cooperation

For the promotion of the ADG in the International Network, it is proposed to participate in international fairs commonly held at the county level. That is to say, it is necessary to create alliances with the different levels of governments, as they have tools, contacts, and experiences that can serve to raise awareness of the ADG's potential.

Additionally, there is an option to sign up for free international networks and offer international forums and a network of contacts at the government level. Thus, at the national level there is the International Cooperation Network that allows its members to know about the latest news and opportunities regarding international cooperation.

3.3.4.5. International Cooperation Policies

Policies should be created based on the needs and problems identified in the priority axes for international cooperation. In this way, it is proposed to design policies at the institutional level that will have an impact when establishing international cooperation. The following topics are suggested, regarding the axis of environmental action:

Technical assistance: it is necessary to develop agro ecological capacities that allow citizens to plant and cultivate sustainably.

Urban development control, especially in risk areas.

Care and awareness of agricultural land through environmental campaigns and policies that ensure its protection.

Creation of awareness campaigns and control of companion animals through sterilization campaigns.

Creation of campaigns for stream care.

Prioritize the development of sewage infrastructure.

Prioritize the ADG budget for productive, economic, and environmental development.

Care and protection of protected areas.

3.3.4.6. Accountability and Control Mechanisms

Regarding accountability, it is necessary to establish strategies that ensure that the

project presented is executed efficiently and transparently. Thus, it is suggested:

Creation of participatory assemblies to integrate the project with the

community

Appoint an oversight committee that is composed of members of the

community, to accompany the execution of the project

Direct civil society organizations present in the ADG to support and

disseminate the project

Register and archive the submitted project, physically and digitally

Include information and news about the project on the ADG website.

Record the ancestral knowledge and practices collected in a guide as a tool

that facilitates training.

Make quarterly visits to plant nurseries and trainings, and submit reports on

them.

Perform feedback through focus groups after each training

Submit semiannual project reports at the general assembly, which must

include support such as invoices for the following: native plants and seeds

purchased, plant nursery creation, agricultural utensils, training points, and

other expenses detailed in the project budget

Record the ancestral knowledge and practices collected in a guide book /

module, which serves as a tool for training.

3.3.5. Local Development Project - Parish of Sinincay ADG Territory

Title: Minga. Recovery of native plants, through ancestral practices and knowledge in

Sinincay during 2020 - 2023.

Entity: Parish of Sinincay ADG

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3.3.5.1. Executive Summary

The Parish of Sinincay in 2010 had 15,859 inhabitants (INEC), but currently exceeds 20,000 people. Such urban expansion has eliminated multiple native tree species (walnut, capulí, etc.), shrubs (blackberry, taxo, etc.), and annuals (parsnips, jicama, ocas, etc.) among others, causing an imbalance in the ecosystem. This motivates the Parish of Sinincay ADG to propose a project with the purpose of "generate a sustainable model for recovering native plants that provide economic and environmental benefits, using ancestral practices and knowledge for its diffusion and rescue and to generate adaptation mechanisms to climate change, in the Parish of Sinincay" (National Planning Council, 2015).

Additionally, this project is linked to the objectives of the National Development Plan (2017 - 2021) as it promotes the development of productive capacities, and a participatory society that guarantees the rights of nature (National Planning Council, 2017). Initially, native plants will be acquired. Also, for the project species in mobile plant nurseries and in farmers' fields will be produced. Actions will also be carried out for the preservation of other environmental components with the organizational participation of communities and their leaders, who will also practice planting of annual crops such as corn-beans and parsnips, among others. All of them of economic and nutritional importance.

From this perspective, the project aims to help the Sinincay's communities reduce productivity losses and sustainably improve water, soil, and biodiversity resources for their quality of life.

3.3.5.2. Background and defining the problem

The Parish of Sinincay was founded in 1853 and is located northwest of Cuenca city, in the province of Azuay, towards the south of Ecuador. It takes 15 minutes by car to go from the Parish center to the center of the city of Cuenca. This proximity makes urban expansion grow fast. The parish has 15,859 inhabitants (INEC, 2010), of which 7,277 are men and 8,582 are women. But according to the projection, currently there are 20,000 citizens in an area of 4683 ha.

Its inhabitants were initially dedicated to the manufacture of tile and brick, combining this activity with agricultural and livestock work of greater and lesser livestock, because this was and is their livelihood. In addition, they are dedicated to cultivating trees, shrubs, and other vegetables alone or associated according to the topography of the land, such as the following: capulí trees, walnuts, cañaro, apple trees, chilean apples, pears, peaches, quince, siglalón, gullán, penco, and achira. They also cultivate corn-beans, chiuo potatoes, melloco, oca, jicama, white carrot, and achojcha.

It should be noted that almost all of these species had multiple varieties adapted to different conditions and production cycles, which guaranteed food throughout the year. However, over the years the population has grown, but the cultivated species and varieties are gradually disappearing. This is due to deforestation practices, which aim to increase monoculture, livestock, mining, and the various construction projects for the galloping urban expansion which is annihilating biodiversity, a source of health for the planet and for life.

3.3.5.3. Justification of Local Development Project - Parish of Sinincay ADG Territory

Currently, there is global, national, and regional concern about the constant decline of flora and fauna on the planet. For this reason, the Parish of Sinincay ADG recognized the increase in the problem with urban expansion. Well, processes such as new roads, building construction, electric lighting networks, etc. reduce significant amounts of trees, shrubs and plant species, which in past times our great-grandparents planted and multiplied with care, because for them they were used for food, wood, fuel and shade.

Additionally, with the decrease in flora it causes an ecosystem imbalance, directly affecting the wild animals of the sector. It should be noted that, youth no longer have the same information on environmental care, which directly affects the lack of interest to be linked to planting and plant care activities, because their time is dedicated to study, work, or migration to the city or abroad.

Thus, the Parish of Sinincay ADG will responsibly support this project that guarantees the necessary and essential social justice quota. Thus it ensures environmental balance, while ensuring food and economic sustenance for society and wildlife. The project is intended to be carried out mainly along streams, and spaces deemed necessary by the population itself and the previous technical studies.

3.3.5.4. General Goals and Objectives of the project

Axis 1: Rights for all throughout life

☑ Objective 3: Guarantee the rights of nature for current and future generations.(United cities and local governments, 2016).

This objective is linked to the project as it seeks to conserve, recover, care for, and allow adequate access to the natural heritage, in this case, to native plants of the parish. In addition, it seeks to implement good sustainable practices and boost the rural economy.

Axis 2: Economy at the service of society

rural development.

(United cities and local governments, 2016).

This objective is linked to the project as it promotes local production, promotes the associativity of farmers through the participation, and sustainable management of natural resources.

Axis 3: More society, better state

☑ Objective 7: Encourage a participatory society, with a State close to the citizens it serves.(United cities and local governments, 2016).

This objective is linked to the project as it seeks to promote a link between the ADG and the inhabitants. Above all, the ADG consolidates and promotes self-organization through the project, as it strengthens the management of its duties.

Within the relationship of the project with the SDGs and, linking it with the role that Local Governments have, the proposed project has helped to meet the objectives 13 and 15 which

seek "to adopt urgent measures to combat the climate change and its effects" and "to promote the sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, fight desertification, stop and reverse land degradation, and curb the loss of biological diversity" respectively (United Cities and local governments, 2016).

Based on this, the project meets the stated objectives, see Table 9:

Table 9: Sustainable Development Goals that are linked to the project.

	OBJECTIVE 13	ADOPT URGENT MEASURES TO COMBAT CLIMATE
X		CHANGE AND ITS EFFECTS.
	OBJECTIVE 15	PROMOTE THE SUSTAINABLE USE OF TERRESTRIAL
		ECOSYSTEMS, FIGHT AGAINST DESERTIFICATION,
		STOP AND REVERSE THE DEGRADATION OF LANDS,
X		AND STOP THE LOSS OF BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY.

Source: (United cities and local governments. (2016). Sustainable Development Goals. What local governments should know. United cities and local governments.)

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Objective 13:

- 1. Strengthen the capacity to manage the effects of climate change.
- 2. Raise awareness and educate the population about the causes and effects of climate change. (United cities and local governments, 2016).

Objective 15:

- 1. Promote private / community cooperation to protect ecosystems, habitats and natural resources.
- 2. Planning and management to conserve biodiversity.

(United cities and local governments, 2016).

The project seeks to reduce the destruction caused by the urban expansion of the parish through a sustainable model for the recovery of native plants. In addition, it seeks the participation of communities and their leaders, so that there is a balance between productivity

and improvement of the use of their natural resources. Ancestral knowledge is also something very important to highlight. It is important to take into account the sowing, planting, and herbology ancestral knowledge together with new practices such as specialized plant nurseries. The population's care and importance of native plants is not good only for the environment, but also to create a culture of protection. The inhabitants would then be aware of what they do and the importance of these activities for the environment and to improve the quality of life.

3.3.5.5. Project participants (number of participants and their qualification)

The following describes the potential project participants, which is divided into age groups and priority groups, as it is an inclusive project that seeks the benefit of the entire community. Additionally, the degree of importance of participation of each group is qualified, 1 being the lowest, 2 the middle, and 3 the highest, according to the degree of participation that their capacities allow. It should be noted that there is no information on the number of people belonging to the priority groups, which is why they will only be given the level of qualification (See Table 10).

Table 10: Participants of the project "Minga: Recovery of native plants, through ancestral practices and knowledge in Sinincay, during 2020 - 2023"

BENEFICIARIES	DIRECT		INDIRECT	
	Participants	Qualifications	Men	Women
Boys/Girls	3,267	3	1,661	1,606
Adolescents	3,586	3	1,745	1,841
Pregnant women	-	2	-	-
Elderly Adults	953	2	317	415
Handicapped persons	-	2	-	-
Imprisoned persons	-	1	-	-
Terminally ill persons	-	1	-	-

Adults	7,721	3	3,328	4,393
TOTAL	15,527	Medium/High	7,051	8,255

Source: (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015)

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As it is seen, the project brings together the majority of the population. First, it requires the participation of children and young people who are informed about planting and caring for plants, as well as traditional cultivation practices. Likewise, the participation of adults and older adults who impart such knowledge is needed. That is the reason why the participation of this group is rated as highly important. Second, the participation of older adults is rated as average, because not all of them have the health needed to be part of the project. For this same reason, people with disabilities and pregnant women are on the same level.

Finally, imprisoned persons and those with terminal illnesses have been qualified with low participation, since their conditions do not allow them to actively participate in the project.

It should be noted that, although each group of the population has a different degree of participation according to their abilities, all of them are beneficiaries of the project, as they will enjoy the right to live in a healthy environment in addition to having sustainable food and economy.

3.3.5.6. Table 11: Work Plan

General Objectiv e	Specific Objectives/ Componen t	Indicato r	Expected Results	Activities	Means of Verificati on	Assumptions
Generate a sustainab le model of native plant recovery that brings cheap benefits. Use planting based on ancestral knowled ge and spread it as an adaptatio n mechanis m to climate change in the Parish of	1. Promote the conservation and acquisition of native plants based on the economic and environmental benefits they provide	1. Number of native plants acquired for planting 2. Number of plant nurseries installed for cultivatio n	Sectors of the parish have native species purchased and produced in the parish	Acquire native perennial plants and Seeds. Build plant nurseries, acquire inputs and materials for sowing and handling of plants in field and plant nurseries.	Bills. Reports. Field books. Agreement s. Participant lists. Photos.	Commitments with specialized plant nurseries and groups of people of the parish to work with plant nurseries and plantations are not fulfilled because of budget delays

have been people in collect charge of ed collecting informatio n.

3. Promote and encourage economic and agro ecological practices based on ancestral knowledge of planting and cultivation	1. Numb er of trainin g sessio ns condu cted within the ADG	Strengthen alternative agricultural knowledge to conventiona I planting practices that are friendly with the managemen t and with the natural capital	Acquire tools for pruning and grafts. Buy utensils for culinary practices. Training for sowing and native species manageme nt. Protecting annual, biennial, and perennials in danger of extinction. Tour and observatio n of plant nursery.	Purchases. Training reports. Workshop assistant signatures.	The community does not take environmental problems seriously and is not committed to use practices for agro ecological plantations.
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Sources: (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2019)

3.3.5.6. Monitoring and evaluation plan

3.3.5.6.1. Table 12: Activity Timeline

Project Duration: 36 MONTHS

ACTIVITIES	START	FINISH	DURATION	RESOURCES	0	TRIM	ICST	CRS	(YE	ARS	: 1,	2, 4	ND	3]
R.1.					1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2
Hi ing a Lechn cian	January 2020	May 2023	30 morth≤	Economic and Technical	X	Х	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hiring workers	January 2020	May 2023	30 morths	Economic and Technical	X	Х	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	×
Acquiring native plants	April 2020	Apri 2021	12 morths	Economic	X	X	X	X						
Installation and maintenance of 3 mobile nurseries	April 2020	May 2023	2/ morths	Economic and rechnical		Х	X	X	X	X	X	X	Х	X
Purchase and collection of native seeds	January 2020	Dec 2022	24 morths	Economic	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Acquiring field and office materials	January 2020	Dec 2022	24 months	Fronomic	X				Х					Т
Training (courses, meetings, and workshops).	April 2020	May 2023	27 months	Economic and Technical	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Annual and final reports								X				X		X
R 2.														T
Acquisition of field and office materials	January 2020	Dec. 2022	24 months	Economic	X				X					
Collecting and classifying information	January 2020	Dec. 2022	24 months	Economic and Technical	X	×	X	X	X	X	X	X		T
Training (courses, meetings, and workshops)	April 2020	May 2023	27 months	Economic and Technical	X	×	х	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Writing and presenting annual and final reports	Dec. 2020	June 2023	3 months	Technical				X				X		X
R 3.														T
Transportation for Vises, meetings, training, etc.	January 2020	June 2023	30 months	Economic and Technical	X	X	X	X	Х	X	Х	Х	X	X
Acquiring seeds, fertilizer, and other supplies	April 2020	Dec. 2022	21 months	Economic		X	х	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Writing and presenting annual and final reports	Des. 2021	Jure 2023	3 morths	Technical				X				X		X
lechnical trips	Oct 2022	Dec. 2022										X		1

Created by: (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2019)

3.3.5.6.2. Table 13: Budget

ROBRIC	QUANTITY	C	OSTS
R.1.		UNITS	TOTAL
Hiring technicians	1		35,670,15
I liring workers	1		22,581,55
Acquiring native plants	15 000		7,500
Installation and maintenance of 3 mobile nurseries	3		1,200
Purchase and collection of native seeds	Various		600
Acquiring field and office materials	Various		1.500
Training (courses, meetings, and workshops).	2+7+5		2,500
Annual and final reports	3		1,000
R 2.			
Acquisition of field and office materials	Various		2.000
Collecting and categorizing information	2		200
Training (courses, meetings, and workships).	2+7+5		500
Writing and presentation of annual and final reports	3		500
R 3.			
Transportation for visits, meetings, training, etc.	Various		3,000
Accuisition of seeds, fertilizer, and other supplies	Various		1,500
Writing and presentation of annual and final reports	3		500
Technical trips	2		2,000
TOTAL \$\$			82,751,8

3.4. International Conversation for the execution of the Development Project through

international cooperation

3.4.1. International Cooperation Organizations, Agencies, and Networks

It is important, within the pilot plan, to identify international cooperation

organizations and detail them according to the cooperation axis, so that it serves as a tool for

Sinincay ADG for future projects that they wish to implement. Thus, the following

appendices describes entities that work on the three fundamental, sociocultural, economic-

productive, and environmental pillars.

The Appendix C include characteristics of NGOs such as: country of residence,

mission, objectives, contacts, means of cooperation whether open or through. Furthermore,

Appendix D describes funds; Appendix F, agencies; and Appendix G, cities networksin

cooperation projects within the country. The main primary source should be the directory of

the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador, which details the NGOs that have an active

agreement with the country.

3.4.2. Justification for the creation of the international organization for

international cooperation.

Based on the purpose of the project, two organizations have been chosen. These are

within the axis of environmental action and have an agreement with the Republic of Ecuador.

The chosen organizations are the following:

3.4.2.1. Ceiba Foundation for Tropical Conservation

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It is a non-profit organization that promotes conservation and scientific education for environmental sustainability (CEIBA). Cooperation with this organization is sought so that young students become involved in environmental activities and learn with the support of specialized technicians on ecosystem protection and endemic biodiversity.

In this way, this cooperation allows to create solutions from the reality of the communities and motivates the active participation of all, farmers, technicians, authorities, students, and the community in general. It should be noted that the organization works through open registration, that is, the interested party must create an account on the organization's website and apply through a form.

3.4.2.2. GIZ: Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit

The GIZ is a German company that is dedicated to international cooperation worldwide and has been working with Ecuador since 1962 (GIZ, 2018). This cooperation is developed based on two main pillars or approaches: Environmental Conservation and Natural Resources; and State, Democracy, and Participation. With this, the GIZ works for the promotion between the different levels of government, in which the ADGs are found. Among some of the impacts and achievements with Ecuador are the strengthening of ministries such as the Ministry of Environment (MAE), introduction of new technologies and renewable energies, development of new value chains for national products, improvement of framework conditions and strengthening of individual and / or organizational capacities in the public sector, and the development of sustainable management models for protected areas (GIZ, 2018).

Among some projects that are ongoing in the country are the following:

"Increased resilience to climate change through the protection and sustainable use of fragile ecosystems" (Pro Change II),

"Scientific Cooperation",

"Conservation and Sustainable Use of Natural Heritage",

"Sustainable Intermediate Cities" (CIS),

"Prevention of Violence against Women" (PreViMujer)

(GIZ, 2018)

The main services offered by GIZ are the following:

Mobilizing experts to advise and strengthen individual and / or organizational capacities.

Advise on strategic planning and innovation development.

Support in the development and implementation of methodologies and problem solving models, based on the context of each country.

(GIZ, 2018)

3.4.3. Description of stakeholders and beneficiaries

Organizations seek to invest in projects focused on meeting the Sustainable Development goals that are related to the care of the environment, both for the changes that occur worldwide, and for the care of the life that lives on earth.

On the other hand, the beneficiaries will promote and carry out projects created by themselves. In this case, the Sinincay ADG, because it links the care of biodiversity and the community that inhabits the territory, while preserving ancestral knowledge by prioritizing native species of the place.

3.4.3.1. Ceiba Foundation for Tropical conservation

Ceiba proposes cooperation focused on the technical, academic, and research aspects of environmental protection. It is directly related to the project, as the main mission of the organization is the care of endemic biodiversity. Additionally, it motivates cooperation as it seeks solutions from the locality in which it works, thus involving the participation of the community, authorities, and students. In this way, ancestral practices and knowledge are encouraged to young people, which with adequate monitoring guarantees the sustainability of the project.

3.4.3.2. GIZ

In the case of the GIZ and the ADG, the objectives of the organization are linked to those of the ADG, since the project promotes its two approaches:

Conservation of Natural Resources, the Environment, and the State, since the project has a purely environmental approach, for the protection and preservation of Sinincay's native flora.

Democracy and Participation, since the project started with the ADG, but within its objectives is the search for participation from the parish inhabitants. In addition to this, it is linked to another GIZ objective, and that is the strengthening and the independence of ADGs within Ecuador.

3.4.4. Needs of the target group

"Right to live in a healthy environment that guarantees its sustainable development", according to art. 86 of the Constitution of the Republic of Ecuador (National Assembly of Ecuador, 2008).

Economic and dietary sustainability.

Creation of green spaces.

Natural resources care

Information on sustainable agricultural practices

3.4.5. Actions to be taken to generate international cooperation

The following are the main activities to be carried out to generate international cooperation, which were described throughout the chapter:

Project design (a project proposal is attached)

Presentation of the project (in the Parish of Sinincay ADG)

Project approval

Identification of conditions to apply for the project (see NGO Appendiz)

Contact with the NGO

Negotiate cooperation agreement

Sign agreement

Project execution

4. Conclusions

To begin, the analysis of International Relations theories allows the understanding of the birth of International Cooperation from various approaches, which are essential to understand its evolution and the different types that have emerged according to their historical context. Hence, the IC subsequently align with local development based on the Sustainable Development Goals.

From this, it is possible to extract the types of actors and methods, to choose the most appropriate to the project at hand. Thus, technical cooperation is suggested, which is decentralized, bilateral, and horizontal. Therefore, the ADG autonomy is guaranteed to exercise IC powers, to have direct contact with the NGO, and at the same time to guarantee equal treatment between the parties.

In order to implement IC, it is necessary to know the Legal Framework in Ecuador, which attributes IC powers to the ADGs. It should be noted that South-South cooperation is spreading more, as a more equitable method between parties. While IC powers are being transferred to ADGs, it is still necessary to disseminate these capabilities.

In the case of Sinincay, the authorities have knowledge of their powers and autonomy as an ADG, with respect to International Cooperation and in relation to the central government. However, it is suggested that it should be empowered by the central government - after training - to exercise these powers and gain autonomy when implementing projects.

On the other hand, environmental management has been neglected within the Parish of Sinincay. As evidence, there is the amount of social projects carried out in the ADG in relation to environmental projects. In the evaluation made in chapter two, it was possible to demonstrate the ADG's weaknesses, which derives mainly from the lack of economic and technical resources. It is important to point out the lack of interest and lack of knowledge that

exists on the part of the community regarding environmental matters, since there is irresponsibility and even more so in the absence of a sanctioning element that controls environmental care.

In the same way, it can be seen how local sustainable development is linked to environmental management. This concept highlights the importance of development hand in hand with the capacities of the community without neglecting indigenous knowledge: a development that is equitable and fair.

Hence, the importance of linking the ADG with the community for the creation of socio-environmental projects. It should be noted that the majority of projects arise from the same community and there is still a spirit of minga when they start. This motivated the design of the project: "Minga: Recovery of native plants through ancestral practices and knowledge in Sinincay, from 2020 - 2023". This project raised based on the needs of the inhabitants of the Parish of Sinincay and was presented by the same ADG.

As part of the ADG evaluation, within the PDYOT the ADG organization chart is structured, but in practice the functions are diffused due to the scarcity of resources. Thus, an official is in charge of several projects at the same time.

The financial part is a factor that prevents its organizational structure from functioning in the best way, since for the project that the ADG proposes it is necessary to hire a technician who is focused clearly on the project, making it necessary to find the funds needed to hire such an individual, because the internal budget is not sufficient to pay for it.

Thus, within the institutional organization chart the international cooperation powers established in Resolution 009/2011 are not exercised. Therefore, it is necessary for each official to know their responsibilities as part of the international cooperation, which are detailed in the last chapter, so that they can exercise them properly. This point is essential, because although there are several international organizations that work within the environmental axis, the internal institutional structure is required to apply and / or present cooperation projects that are approved.

Finally, the details of the International Cooperation Pilot Plan were presented along with each of the phases and activities needed to carry out for the development of the project, as well as the Appendices - the evaluation matrix of each axis and the detailed list of NGOs and Networks among other documents that serve as tools and guidance to clarify the current and future projects for international audiences.

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Appendices

Appendix A: Interviews with ADG Officials

Name: Johanna Quishpe

Post: Legal Advisor

Department: Legal

1. So I want you to tell me in as much detail as possible what your responsibilities

within the ADG are and in which department you work

My name is Johanna Quishpe, I am a freelance lawyer. I work in the legal department of the

ADG. Within the legal department, we carry out activities for the Parish of Sinincay ADG

judicial processes. We deal with creating, surveying, and executing public procurement

processes, issues related to community service management in general, and also issues on

the level of community organizations. Basically, those are the areas.

Are you involved with technical-legal advice?

Yes.

And is it linked to social projects or is it separate? The technical-legal advice, that is.

For example, the issue of legal advice works the same as, not the same, but similar to the

same structure as accounting, we generally intervene in some areas of that project. For

example, for hiring technicians, for hiring in general, or for the acquisition of goods, if they

exceed the minimum allowed amounts or if the hiring process requires it.

2. How do you perform your duties in the sense of whether you have someone in

charge, who is your immediate boss, as you usually do, or if perhaps, you have a

process for each activity?

First, my immediate boss is Mr. José Luis Atancuri, who is the president, from whom the

directives or activities that are executed are directly derived. Now, how are procurement

processes executed in general? What do you need to see the most? Always starts with the

technician's requirements, the technician presents specifications, requirements, and

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guidelines for what he needs. There is also the issue of preparing specifications or general documents to deal with the issue of selecting suppliers or contracts, and once that is done, the public procurement process is applied.

3. Likewise, for your functions, do you have the power of decision in any of them? What about the functions you have?

I would have the power of decision, for example, in functions or activities that are not related to the issue of procurement or to the application of public procurement processes.

Which ones, for example?

For example, in the issue of sector support, for the community; on the issue of directive election, which is precisely an issue we were discussing the previous week with the Carmen Sector. I decided we have already structured what the Electoral Tribunal is going to be. That's an example, and what I do is follow up on how we are going to carry out the procedure, make the proposal of how we are going to proceed on the issue of elections and other things. How to follow the whole procedure is a decision that more or less falls directly on me. On the issue of process monitoring, we have an administrative process, for example, which the Superintendence follows for land use planning. So what I do is see what are the best opportunities, the best options that the parish ADG has, and I carry them out accordingly.

As for what I was saying about the community, what kind of processes do you carry out?

On the subject of community, the main issue is leaders getting the support that they need for changing policy. So generally, the organizations we support do not have legal status, they do not have the notion of establishing statutes, or establishing procedural rules in general. So what we do is, looking at the big picture, for example, what would be the most suitable procedures for them. There are sectors that are large and there are sectors that are small. We have a big problem in that people are no longer so interested in actively participating in their community, and for several reasons. Those are a few of the problems we have with the community and that also affects the time that we are going to spend on prioritizing public works or we are going to socialize the works. We can see that we do not have support in the community to be able to bring up the topic of the socialization process.

4. Between the activities where you have autonomy and those where you do not have decision making power. Who is the one with decision making power?

If it is a public purchase, it is already through the public procurement procedure. For example, the commission meets there, classifies the most viable technical offers, and according to the reverse auction process, granting it to the lowest bidder. To a lesser extent, for example, the qualified suppliers have a lottery to decide who will get the job, while in a reverse auction the lowest bidder gets the job.

So in that case the ones who have decision-making power are the technicians who meet to decide, or who does that?

It's part of the system, let me tell you. In a reverse auction process, for example, we may have three technical offers, which we could acquire, which I know, is 100 thousand dollars, for example, then the person or the bidder who makes the lowest bid is the person who wins, but they do it through the public procurement process. In the case of smaller amounts, for example, in the solidarity rate we had 17 bidders, so of those 17 bidders, 10 are qualified by the technical commission. We upload the information to the system, well, I upload the information to the public purchasing portal, and the public purchasing portal makes the raffle. So there we no longer decide, neither the technician nor the commission decides.

Then your direct boss would be Mr. Atancuri, is he the only one you have to report to, so to speak?

If, for example, I report my activities, I pass them directly to the president.

So he's the one you report to, and you are autonomous? Do you work with anyone else in your unit? Do you have an official, perhaps, in charge?

No. no one.

5. What do you think are the main strengths that you think you have in the performance of your duties? Maybe that you picked up along the way, or that you offer to the ADG or the community.

For example, on the topic of the parish ADG, we have a good working relationship with the group. We work with technicians; we have a good level of communication with them. Now what we're lacking in that regard is sufficiently structured planning that prevents us from,

for example, if I were already scheduled to leave today, but I have a priority to, or I was told

to make it a priority to publish a public procurement process. That was not within the

schedule that I was aware of, so that makes it a bit difficult.

6. What are the main difficulties you have in performing your duties?

It would be the subject of planning.

I do not know if I can clarify a bit because what we want to see specifically is how

much decision-making is there as they perform their functions? Do you have autonomy or

perhaps have limitations there, because it has to be approved by the president or by a certain

person?

I have autonomy to some extent, but from there, for example, he developed everything, I

make my reports with my recommendations, but generally the one who approves is the

president with my recommendations.

So whoever approves it isn't the president?

Exactly, with my recommendations.

Name: Mayra Bravo

Post: Secretary

Department: Administration and archives unit

1. So as I was saying, this is to evaluate what are the natural and functional

aspects of the ADG and to create a process manual for what we're doing with

the agreement. So can you describe to me what are the roles and functions,

more or less, of this administration and archives unit?

Well here what we provide is attention to the general public. All procedures enter here,

requests come and go, neighborhood leaders, and sector leaders. We make our entrance here

and we announce the president, and in turn, the members who are in charge of each system

or the technicians. So here we distribute those communications to give timely attention to the

public.

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So your functions are to receive, evaluate and...

This is effectively the secretary of the parish board. Within the secretary we take care of everything, by which I mean, we enter all the documents that come from neighborhoods, sectors, institutions, and we pass them on to the president or the technicians or speakers.

Anyone, even if not a leader, can come and participate?

Yes, everything is here in the secretariat. All proceedings are entered by the secretary.

2. So more or less what would the process be: the reception and the shipment, or do they have any specific process?

If you enter the document, we pass it to the president, then the president gives the answer. We already do the response trades, but in turn, as I said, we coordinate with the technicians and the speakers so that they are also aware of what is happening, if it is the responsibility of the architect, the public works technician, or civil works. According to the request and the respective jurisdiction.

3. So within your duties maybe you have decision power? For example, within the procedures that come you can say if this is approved or not approved, or whose responsibility it is.

It is the responsibility of the president to approve or not.

Is it always the president, or the speakers as well?

The president is at the head.

4. So he is the one with the decision power and is he your direct superior?

Yes.

And you report to him?

Exactly.

Just to him or the speakers as well?

We, as administrative staff, have the obligation to also see to the speaker's requests, we are always here to support them. But our direct supervisor is the president, but the speakers, as they are elected authorities, also become our superiors. They ask us to give him a trade and

we have to help them and make contacts so that they can go to the negotiations. We take care of that. When they ask us for support, we are ready to help them.

But do you report to them or the president?

As I said, the president is at the head and then come the speakers. If they are also elected authorities.

Then you help them too, support them.

Yes. Bone parish ADG is composed of 5 speakers. The first member is the president, the most voted, then comes the vice president and the rest. So they are practically our supervisors, but the one who makes the decision is the president. If a trade comes he says this is done or this is not done. Or if we do not go to the speakers ADG parish meeting, members there decide if the resolutions come out with everyone's approval.

Let's imagine a hypothetical case to understand this better: if the resolution is already there, of the 5 speakers, 3 are in favor or the majority is in favor, but the president is not, is it passed or not passed?

Of course, practically if the speakers are in favor, but the president is not, the speakers have already won. If it is by majority. Sometimes there are ties, in those cases the president returns, gives the vote, to break the tie. If it is not the majority.

5. So is there an official in your charge, or are you in charge of everyone, or do you have someone to support you?

We will see that the secretariat unit is composed of the secretariat and the administrative assistant.

So she is under your direction?

No, we work together, as she is also in charge of the administration of the ADG assets. We rely on each other here at work.

6. In general, what are the main strengths for the performance of their duties? Maybe he has the support of the ADG, the community, something technical, resources, I don't know.

Our strengths are all the support provided by technicians, and colleagues who work in the administrative floor. Those are the strengths.

And maybe some difficulties or limitations when doing the job?

If sometimes we have the problem that there is extra work and there are only two of us. So

sometimes we don't move forward and that makes things difficult. Also the problem at work

is that the internet is not good, it freezes sometimes, it would be more technical.

Name: Lucía Narváez

Post: I am a member of the biophysical commission of the Parish of Sinincay

Department: Administrative or legislative

1. What are your duties or functions? (describe what you do in full detail)

My duties are: to work in coordination with the ADG technicians in the environmental care

area, which must be managed, for example, to place children's games in the parish sports

areas or green areas. We also have to socialize the issue of garbage, recycling, compost, with

the people, these issues are our responsibility.

In short, we have to ensure the improvement in our quality of life.

2. What functions do you perform? (describe in more detail what you do)

My function is to legislate and supervise here in the ADG in such a way that things go

correctly without any alteration. This is the management that we carry out for the well-being

of the parish.

3. How do you perform your duties? (describe in as much detail as possible) Do you

have any manuals, guides? If so, what are they?

We carry out the joint efforts in coordination with the Miss Secretary, with the President of

the ADG, we also have the support of a technician, we also support the students as in your

case, the University of Azuay, and we also have the students of the Salesian Polytechnic

University that collaborate with us on the topic of cooperating for recycling, the correct

collection or classification of garbage to also avoid burning waste, as people in the

community usually do here, so those in aspects are we coordinating to prevent it from

happening again.

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4. Do you have decision power in any of your functions? Yes, or no? If so, in which ones?

Yes, because, for instance, if we have to act, let's say, with a foundation, then according to that we have to decide if something we have to execute or not, requires us to consult with a legal advisor that we also have available here in the ADG.

What kind of decisions do you make?

Our decisions are, for example, this: For example, my decisions are to run a "minga", talks, and things like that. Also to visit the neighborhoods, manage some purchases for the man who cleans the parish, so I have to act to give him the necessary materials.

What kind of talks?

Us. The talks are to prevent, raise awareness among citizens about keeping our planet clean, so there we work so that they don't throw away a lot of garbage, don't use plastics too much.

5. Of the activities you do, who has the power to make decisions on them?

The president also has to decide what is managed to be fully executed.

I mean, if it doesn't go through him, it doesn't happen?

No

6. Who is your boss or direct supervisor?

Well we don't have bosses, we don't. We all have the same rank.

The president is also like us.

7. To whom do you report?

We deliver our monthly report to the community of what we execute. Obviously that is filed here but the report we have to give annually to the community, but the monthly report we deliver here to the ADG.

8. Are there any officials under you? Who are they and what do they do, what roles do they play?

No, all officials are from the ADG, from the institution, so they are not under me.

I mean, you don't have a technician?

No

9. What are the main strengths for the performance of their functions or responsibilities?

The strength I have is to help the community because I really like to do that, and I do it with all my love and dedication.

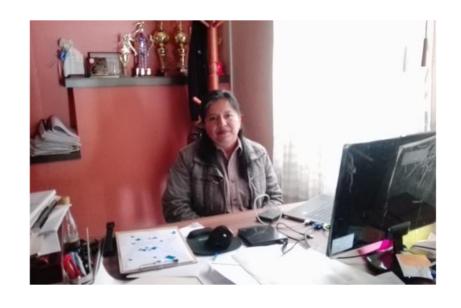
10. What are the main difficulties they have in performing their functions or duties?

The difficulties are that we need money to help communities, but we always have to coordinate with the accountant so that, for us, requests go through the portal for the respective purchases of materials. Then there is a quick and timely execution to help the community. That demands a process for acquiring the necessary materials.

The process is very cumbersome, very delayed, very problematic, then, but we have to comply.







INFORMATION COLLECTION MATRIX SININCAY ADG PARISH

PROJECT: STRATEGY TO ANNOUNCE THE DUTIES OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT OF THE MUNICIPAL ADG OF CUENCA AND THE PARISH ADG OF THE CUENCA CITY SECOND STAGE

BIOPHYSI CAL SYSTEM	DESCRIPTION / INFORMATION	PROBLEMS	POTENTIALITI ES	POLICIES	PROGRAMS	PROJECTS
WATER SOURCES	Parish of Sinincay, located in the Paute River basin, occupies part of the Machángara River sub-basin, and the Tomebamba River sub-basin. The sub-basin of Machángara comprises 60.35% of the Sinincay area, in an area of 2826.90 ha, covering the communities located towards the center and north of the	reservoir that comes from the	water sources. The Andean forest and highland areas have good performance	National Development Plan: Objective 3: Guarantee the rights of nature for current and future generations PDOT:	Biophysical System Program	3.1. Conservation and recovery of green, recreational areas, streams and riversProject for the recovery of the Sinincay river banks from the

parish and an extension of th		Population	1. Strategic	V	Valparaíso
Sinincay Agricultural	The 30 meters	predisposition to an	Objective:	t	oridge to the
Cooperative on the Cabogana		increase in the	Promote an	I	Daniel Durán
hill.	designated for green areas is	water service rate.	integrated, comprehensi		oridge.
The Tomebamba Sub-basin,	not respected.		ve, and		Construction
represents 39.60% of the	On the banks of		revalued		of a linear park
Parish with an area of 1857 h	the rivers		management		near the Daniel
covering the communities of	agriculture		of natural		Ourán bridge
the southern area of the paris Its hydrological courses are	practices are		resources		
born in the National Park "El	given and		with high		
Cajas". The upper parts of th	houses are built.		physical,		
basin still have native	which are		chemical and		
vegetation cover, but gradual			landscape		
suffer the advance of the	contamination.		quality,		
livestock frontier. In this sub	Wastewater		considering climate		
basin, the "El Cebollar"	problems.		change		
catchment plant (Parish of			adaptation.		
Sinincay) is located, which	Lack of control		1		
covers the water demand 509					
	systems.				

	of the population of the city of Cuenca. Water channel Main rivers: Sinincay, Milchichig Streams: Negrillo and Chamana.					
URBANIZE D SOIL PERCENTA GE	Sinincay is considered within the urban expansion plan, based on technical plans developed by the Municipality of Cuenca. The parish has a presence of rural housing of 193.39 ha, which represents 4.12% of the total area. In addition, as an indicator of the level of consolidation that the parish has, together the	Citizens do not respect urbanization plans. There are no improvements in asphalt, nor sewage. Lack of urbanized land planning by the Municipality, as the population	Extension projects of the tracks, and lighting.	National Development Plan: Objective 1: Guarantee a dignified life with equal opportunities for all people.	A. Program: Road Infrastructure B. Biophysical System Program C. Program: Urban Infrastructure	A.3.1. Improvement, rehabilitation and river drainage in the road network of the Parish of Sinincay. A.5.1 Concrete paving in Mayancela

batching coverage, consolidation area and header Parish represent 8.62% of the parish area with an extension of 403.61 ha.	grows and sits in a disorderly manner	Objecti Guaran the righ nature f current future generat Objecti Promot compet ess and product for econ growth, sustaina a redistril and support manner	tee tts of for and ions ve 5: e itiven tivity nomic able in butive	sector and other streets of Parish of Sinincay A.5.1. Project: Community Security A.1.4. Project: Adaptation of the parish power network with posts and lighting B.3.2 Conservation and recovery of green, recreational areas, streams and rivers.
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	management of natural resources with high physical, chemical and landscape quality, considering climate change adaptation 3. Strategic objective: Plan, build and / or maintain the physical infrastructure , facilities and public	C.3.2 Project: Sewerage prioritized in the 2018 ETAPA POA
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				spaces of parish scope. 4. Strategic objective: Ensure access to basic services and facilities and public spaces for the population through adequate spatial planning	
AGRICULT URAL SOIL PERCENTA GE	Most of the citizenry is dedicated to cultivation. There are mosaics of crops and cultivated grass that occupy a	knowledge in agricultural	Apply composting instead of chemicals for agriculture	National Development Plan: Objective 5: Promote	5.1. Development of productive agricultural systems for Good Living,

total of 1,579.4 ha, that is,	the	competitiven	through training
33.72% of the total area	environment.	ess and	and technical
	Most farmers plant capriciously without taking into account times of the	productivity for economic growth, sustainable in a redistributive	assistance in the different neighborhoods of the Parish of Sinincay.
	year, and care of the soil. Lack of	and supportive manner. PDOT:	
	technical knowledge about agricultural practices to	Strategic Objective: Strategic objective:	
	produce organic products.	contribute to the improvement of the	

				economic income of the Sinincay population based on initiatives with a social and solidarity economy approach	
PROTECTE D AREAS (specify category)	In the Parish of Sinincay according to the data provided by the Ministry of Environment through Ministerial agreement, there are 1761.05 ha in the category of Protected Forest. That is, 37.60% of the parish territory. Of the protected area, 32.35% corresponds to the Machángara	The "La Comuna" area went into private hands, despite being initially slated for the ADG. Organizations dedicated to agro ecological	There are organizations dedicated to agro ecological cultivation in 5 areas of the parish, which benefit from the talks given by the Municipality. Its organic		

	Expansion Protected Forest,	cultivation need	products are sold in		
	Tomebamba and 67.65%	economic and	the local market.		
	corresponds to the Machángara	technical	Tourism potential		
	Tomebamba Protected Forest	support to boost			
	There is a protected area called	their business.			
	"La Comuna", in the upper part				
	of the Sinincay Agricultural				
	Production Cooperative,				
	destined by the MAE, for the				
	conservation of the				
	environment.				
	In addition, the Parish of				
	Sinincay is located within the				
	Cajas Massif Biosphere				
	Reserve, which occupies				
	1,000,000 hectares of national				
	territory				
	The areas defined as risk zones	The cemetery	Urban planning	-	
AREAS	are those that present	area it is	project with the		

landslides, areas with	considered a	support of the		
topographic limitations,	risk zone due to	Municipalities of		
protected areas for rivers and	sinking. Studies	Cuenca		
streams or geologically active	are needed to			
areas.	make more			
If a comparison is made of the	vaults.			
total number of dwellings	The area called			
occupied by persons present in	"New Horizons"			
the parish (3,988) with the	has suffered			
number of dwellings located in	geological			
the risk zone (750), it turns out	failure, due to			
that 19% of the dwellings are	the rains.			
located in these risk areas.	Las Cochas,			
Some risk areas are: the	suffers damage			
cemetery, New Horizons,	due to			
Cochas, Chicta Rumi, Victoria	settlements			
	In La Victoria,			
	for landslides			

Geological fault
that comes from
Cañar, a product
of limestone due
to the
connection with
seawater
Chicta Rumi
Cincia Kuini
settlements by
rainwater and
sewage
Risk areas that
expand because
there is no good
treatment of
problems, there
have only been
superficial
repairs, such as
road fillings

LAGUNAS	Laguna de Pizarro, Laguna de Silla,Laguna de Cabogana Small lagoons called "Cochas"	Exploitation of clay for the brick industry, pollutes the lagoons.	House building permit as a prevention system. Technical control of the Municipality supports the ADG. Potential for tourism			
FAUNA	There is no information or a detailed analysis of the variety of fauna in the Cuenca City, beyond global data. In the protected areas there are animals such as foxes, wild rabbits, deer, wolves, coyotes, myrrh, parrots, swallows.	Based on the Protection of Rights Project: in the areas of San José de Balzay and Los Lirios: of 267 families, there is no responsibility		National Development Plan: Objective 3: Guarantee the rights of nature for current and	Biophysical System Program	3.1. Relocation and sterilization of pets

Pata	for the care of	future	
Pets	pets, urban	generations	
	fauna.	PDOT	
	Stray dogs for	1. Strategic	
	lack human	Objective:	
	responsibility.	Promote an	
	Lack of budget	integrated,	
	for sterilization	comprehensi	
	and public	ve and	
	awareness	revalued	
	campaigns.	management	
		of natural	
		resources	
		with high	
		physical,	
		chemical and	
		landscape	
		quality,	
		taking	
		climate	
		change	

				adaptation into account		
FORESTS	Most of Sinincay is occupied by coverage 103 (native forest), with an area of 1167.21 ha (24.92% of the parish area). It is located in part of the communities of: El Salado, San Luis de las Lajas, Sigcho, 24 de Mayo, Cochas and western territories.	trees near high	Tourism potential for its landscape wealth	National Development Plan: Objective 3: Guarantee the rights of nature for current and future generations PDOT 1. Strategic Objective: Promote an integrated, comprehensi	Riophysical	3.1. Planting trees on riverbanks

				ve and revalued management of natural resources with high physical, chemical, and landscape quality, taking into account climate change adaptation	
FLORA	In the Parish of Sinincay about 52.70% of the area is covered by wasteland, native forests, and eucalyptus forests. The	The penco, uvillas, and walnut trees are becoming	Promote seeding new plants that contribute to the productive sector,		

POPULATI ON (Total 15,859)	DESCRIPTION / INFORMATION	PROBLEMS	POTENTIALITI ES	POLICIES	PROGRAMS	PROJECTS
	introduced.					
	native, and 12 species are					
	species for Ecuador, 71 are					
	of Sinincay, 3 are endemic					
	registered so far for the Parish					
	the 86 species of plants					
	moderately diverse, since of					
	7.91%. The parish is					
	and eucalyptus forests with					
	highlands represent 19.87%					
	the entire surface. While the					
	which represents 24.92% of					
	with an area of 1167.21 ha,	attention				
	most represented ecosystem	require priority	cypress			
	native vegetation forest is the	extinct, so they	such as pine and			

MEN	7,277 people, representing 45.86%, are male	Problems of machismo, alcoholism. Psychological violence in the family and in society in general.	If there were gender equity, contributions would improve, because there is currently work overload for women. Entrepreneurship fairs. Social projects to eradicate alcoholism.	National Development Plan: Objective 5: Promote competitiven ess and productivity for economic growth, sustainable in a redistributive and supportive manner. PDOT: 1. Strategic objective: to	family agricultural production under forms of social economy with	5.1. Project of production and commercializati on of the guinea pig with associations and educational centers.
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				contribute to		
				the		
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				income of the		
				Sinincay		
				population		
				based on		
				initiatives		
				with a social		
				and solidarity		
				economy		
				approach		
	9 252 rangeonts 54 1104	Women are in	Projects that are	National	Program for the	5.1. Project of
	8,252 represents 54.11%.	charge of	planned for priority	Development	promotion of	production and
WOMEN There is a tendency of a female	families.	care groups: "The	Plan:	family	commercializati	
	population higher than the male, having a difference of	Mothers in	caretaker moms",	Objective 5:	agricultural	on of the guinea
	maie, naving a difference of	charge of	"La Colmena".	Promote	production	pig with

17.93%, that is, 1,305 women	children with	This is a means of	competitiven	under forms of	associations
more than the male population	disabilities do	economic support	ess and	social economy	and educational
	not have the	according to their	productivity	with the	centers.
	necessary time	capabilities.	for economic	technological	
	for their care.		growth,	transformation	
	Poor pay		sustainable in	processes	
	Upper area:		a		
	high rate of		redistributive		
	single mothers		and		
	due to		supportive		
	migration, and		manner.		
	lack of sex		PDOT:		
	education.		1. Strategic		
	Victims of		objective: to		
	verbal violence.		contribute to		
			the		
			improvement		
			of the		
			economic		
			income of the		
			Sinincay		

				population based on initiatives with a social and solidarity economy approach		
CHILDREN (1-10)	3,267 people, representing 20.60% of the population. They occupy the second place, according to the population density of the parish.	According to the Community Health Center, children with disabilities are abandoned by their fathers. In addition, there is no adaptation of spaces for people with disabilities.	Create recreational spaces, which will serve them in the future. Implement green areas.	National Development Plan Objective 1: Guarantee a dignified life with equal opportunities for all people. Objective 2: Affirm	inclusion to prioritize care groups through occupational recreational workshops. B. A rescue and protection	A.1.1. Promotion and sponsorship of recreational activities and promotion of rights for children and women: A.1.1. Promotion of sponsorship of community

	interculturalit	identity of the	participation in
	y and	parish	championships
	plurinationali		on an inclusive
	ty, revaluing		basis.
	diverse		A.1.1
	identities		Basketball
	PD 04		School
	PDOT		A.1.1 Soccer
	1. Strategic		School
	objective:		A.1.1 Vacation
	Promote the		Colony
	cohesion of		B.2.1
	the various		Ecuadorian
	groups of the		Andean music
	population		school
	under the		B.2.1
	principles of		Ecuadorian folk
	equity and		dance school
	equality as a		and ballroom
	basis for the		dance.
	rescue of the		

TEENS (10- 19)	3,586 people representing 22.61% of the population. The group with the highest population in the Parish of Sinincay is composed of adolescents between 10 and 14 years of age (11.48%), in second place are those with ages between 15 and 19 years with (11.13%).	High rate of alcoholism and drugs. Teenage mothers.	"Meeting house", a priority attention group due to social problems (Alcohol, drugs). It is intended to create occupational workshops to motivate young people to have ventures and sustain themselves economically. (Program provided in the Mayancela sector.)	Development Plan Objective 1: Guarantee a dignified life with equal opportunities for all people. Objective 2: Affirm interculturalit	prioritize care groups through occupational recreational workshops. B. A rescue and protection program for the memory,	A.1.1. Promotion and sponsorship of recreational activities and promotion of rights for children and women: A.1.1. Promotion of sponsorship of community participation in championships
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Higher population	revaluing	on an inclusive
density that	diverse	basis.
requires planning	identities.	A.1.1
for employment	PDOT:	Basketball
opportunities	1. Strategic	School
	objective: To	A.1.1 Soccer
	promote the	School
	cohesion of	A.1.1 Vacation
	the various	Colony
	groups of the	B.2.1
	population	Ecuadorian
	under the	Andean music
	principles of	school
	equity and	B.2.1
	equality as a	Ecuadorian folk
	basis for the	dance school
	rescue of the	and ballroom
	identity and	dance.
	cultural	
	diversity of	
	the parish.	

ELDERLY ADULTS (65 and up)	953 people, which represents 7.88% of the population.		create occupational workshops to motivate young	National Development Plan: Objective 1: Guarantee a dignified life with equal opportunities for all people. PDOT 1. Strategic objective: Promote the cohesion of the various groups of the population under the principles of	Program of inclusion to priority care groups through occupational recreational workshops	1.1. Formation of the Elderly club with recreational occupational activities.
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				equity and equality as a basis for the rescue of the identity and cultural diversity of the parish.		
ECONOMIC ALLY ACTIVE POPULATI ON	The economically active population is 6,907 inhabitants, that is, 46.16%, of which 3,866 are men and 3041 are women. The EAP is distributed in the primary sector (agriculture), with 696 people; secondary (industry), 2,803 people; tertiary (services), 3,393 people. Mostly artisan businesses, women are engaged in agriculture (corn,	High levels of pollution in the agricultural industry. Work in the brick industry causes health problems.	It is intended to hold an artisanal, agro-productive fair focused on the native products of the region. It is intended to have greater impact and acceptance of the community in the "Cuy	National Development Plan: Objective 5: Promote competitiven ess and productivity for economic growth, sustainable in	promotion of family agricultural production under forms of social economy with technological transformation processes	5.1. Production project for commercializati on of the guinea pig with associations and educational centers. 5.1. Project: Agricultural improvement of

beans), and raising minor	entrepreneurship	a	domestic units
animals (guinea pigs)	Plan".	redistributive	with
	The parish is a	and	technological
	reference in the	supportive	support.
	artisanal sector	manner.	
	(Brick)	77.05	5.1. Project:
		PDOT:	Market location
		1. Strategic	for productive
		objective: to	economic
		contribute to	insertion.
		the	
		improvement	
		of the	
		economic	
		income of the	
		Sinincay	
		population	
		based on	
		initiatives	
		with a focus	
		on a social	

				and solidarity economy.		
MIGRANTS	It has one of the highest indexes in the Cuenca City. The number of cases, according to the 2010 census, is 748 people, representing 4.38% of the migrant population of the county.	have high alcohol and drug use. High number of	This sector is linked to the entrepreneurial projects, explained above, to promote the community.	Does not exist	They are not aligned to programs.	Does not exist

COMMUNI	1. 24 de Mayo, 2. Bellavista, 3. Chamana, 4. Chicopatamarca, 5. Chictarrumi, 6. El Chorro, 7. Corazón de Jesús, 8. Cruce al Carmen, 9. Centro Parroquial, 10. Cruz Calle, 11. Daniel Durán, 12. El Carmen, 13. Galuay, 14. La Merced, 15. La	Some go abroad where they meet their parents. Mayancela, land use based on inheritance of territory. The ADG lost the territory management	We want to carry out workshops in the communities, to decentralize the basketball,	National Development Plan: Objective 1: Guarantee a dignified life with equal	Program of inclusion to priority care	1.1. Organization and sponsorship of art, culture and traditions rescue festivals 1.1. Project: Rights
TIES (POPULATI ON)	Victoria, 16. Las Cochas, 17. Santa Isabel, 18. Los Alisos- Dolorosa, 19. Los Andes, 20. Jesús del Gran Poder, 21. María Auxiliadora, 22. Mayancela, 23. Nuevos Horizontes, 24. Pampa de Rosas, 25. Pan de Azúcar, 26. Patamarcachico, 27. Perlaspamba, 28. Playas del	1 0	football, dance and music schools. These projects will be carried out with the commitment of community leaders.	opportunities for all people. Objective 2: Affirm interculturalit y and plurinationali ty by revaluing	groups through occupational recreational workshops	promotion festivals 1.1. Project: Installation of community alarms 1.1. Rescue of intangible heritage with the historical

Carmen, 29. Playitas, 30.	diverse	commemoratio
Pumayunga Alto, 31.	identities.	n of 05-02-1853
Pumayunga, 32. Rosasloma,	DD OT	1.1. Promotion
33. El Salado, 34. San José de	PDOT:	and sponsorship
la Calzada, 35. San José del	1. Strategic	of community
Carmen, 36. San Luis de las	objective:	participation in
Lajas, 37. San Vicente, 38.	Promote the	championships
Sigcho, 39. Tres Cruces, 40.	cohesion of	with inclusive
Yanaturo.	the various	character
	groups of the	1.1. Days of
	population	medical and
	under the	nutritional care
	principles of	with the
	equity and	hypertensive
	equality as a	and diabetic
	basis for the	population
	rescue of the	2. 1. Rescue of
	identity and	local identity
	cultural	and folklore by
	diversity of	designating the
	the parish.	

						" Cholita
						Sinicayense"
ECONOMI C	DESCRIPTION / INFORMATION	PROBLEMS	POTENTIALITI ES	POLICIES	PROGRAMS	PROJECTS
MIPYMES	"Cooperative Agropecuaria Sinincay", in addition to agricultural organizations, and small enterprises. Within the artisanal sector such as: furniture and bricks	financial	Recognition of the parish through MIPYMES. Natural diversity. There are green areas with natural and tourist potential. Manufacturing industry as the main activity in the Parish The parish is a reference in the artisanal sector (Brick)			

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	profit perceived	CONTRIBU	
	by the producer.	TE TO	
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	negotiation	G THE	
	capacity.	ECONOMIC	
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		ECONOMY	
		APPROACH	

AGRICULT	It is produced for the urban area, and is not retained for the parish. Agricultural production, as the primary sector of production in the Parish of Sinincay represents an important sector that has been gaining strength in recent years. Plant production: In the Parish of Sinincay the cultural tradition is associated with cultivating corn and beans. This kind of farming has a certain diversity that supports home food demands, which is to say, subsistence farming. - Permanent cultures 1% - Transient and fallow crops	There is no fair payment to small farmers, as intermediaries cover the majority of the parish's productive offer, generating a decrease in the profit perceived by the producer.	Training programs for farmers. Organized groups have been identified that are dedicated to organized agricultural production and the circulation of products through parish marketing channels and / or through spaces in the city of Cuenca. These groups are organized in collective processes of agroecological	National Development Plan: Objective 5: Promote competitiven ess and productivity for economic growth, sustainable in a redistributive and supportive manner. PDOT: 1. Strategic objective: to	Program for the promotion of family agricultural production under forms of social economy with technological transformation processes	5.1. Agricultural improvement of domestic units with technological support 5.1. Development of agro-productive systems for Good Living, through training and technical assistance in the different neighborhoods of the Parish of Sinincay
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	- Rest 2%		production, or of	contribute to	
	- 30% cultivated pastures		production of	the	
	- Natural pastures 56%		smaller animals,	improvement	
	- Other uses 4%		and vegetables	of the	
			among others	economic	
			things.	income of the	
				Sinincay	
				population	
				based on	
				initiatives	
				with a focus	
				on a social	
				and solidarity	
				economy.	
	It is mostly done in the upper			National	MAG Ministry
		Insecurity, and	There are	Development	
LIVESTOC	region.	livestock theft	organizations at the	Plan:	of Agriculture and Livestock,
	Animal production: Animal		austral level	Pian:	,
K	production volumes in the Parish of Sinincay show that the trend is to raise guinea pigs	throughout the parish.	dedicated to this activity, in the parish there is a	Objective 5: GUARANTE	vaccination campaigns specific periods
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and chickens, followed by field	group of 10 people	RIGHTS OF	RELOCATING
chickens and pigs.	dedicated to agro-	NATURE	AND
	ecological	FOR	STERILIZING
	production and	CURRENT	COMPANY
	they are part of the	AND	ANIMALS
	Association of	FUTURE	
	Agro-Ecological	GENERATI	
	Producers of	ONS.	
	Azuay, a grassroots organization, as well as being part of the Agro ecological Network of the Austro as a 2nd grade entity. According to data provided by the Parish ADG of Sinincay, the products they offer are guinea pigs,	PDOT: PROMOTE INTEGRAT ED, INTEGRAL AND REVALORI ZED MANAGEM ENT OF NATURAL	

			poultry, vegetables,	HIGH	
			corn, and grains,	PHYSICAL,	
			among others.	CHEMICAL	
				AND	
				LANDSCAP	
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				QUALITY,	
				TAKING	
				INTO	
				ACCOUNT	
				ADAPTATI	
				ONS TO	
				CLIMATE	
				CHANGE	
SERVICES	Tourism Potential: According to the latest Inventory of Tourist Attractions drawn up by the Ministry of Tourism in 2007, the Parish of Sinincay does not have attractions	The population has no knowledge or skills for operating tourist activities.	Tourism potential in natural areas. The parish of Sinincay presents favorable conditions for the		

within its territory. However,	Bad conditions	practice of the		
in order to determine the	and accessibility	following tourist		
tourism potential, an inventory	to ecosystems of	activities: hiking,		
of tourist sites (contiguous sets	tourist interest.	sport fishing,		
of resources with tourism	37. 1 11	participating in		
potential) has been carried out,	Visual pollution	agricultural		
among which are: Mishirrigri	of urban	activities,		
Hill, Pizarro Lagoon, Silla	environments.	horseback riding,		
Lagoon, Cabogana Lagoon,	Ignorance of	mountain biking,		
Yurogcaca Forest and Sinincay	tourism	camping,		
populated center.	planning and	identification of		
	administration	medicinal plants,		
	by the social	interpretation of		
	organizations of	myths and legends,		
	the	rock descent, and		
		bird watching.		
	Parish.			
	The rural			
	sectors with			
	tourism			
	potential do not			

		have basic services.				
INSTITUTI ON	DESCRIPTION / INFORMATION	PROBLEMS	POTENTIALITI ES	POLICIES	PROGRAMS	PROJECTS
PLANNING TEAM	Projects in the areas of the 5 components of the ADG: Human settlement system, networks and connectivity, biophysical, sociocultural, and economic-productive It is composed of all members of the parish ADG including the president, members and technicians of: Public works,	Lack of economic resources, delivery of annual resources by the Cuenca ADG that do not meet their needs. Delivery of resources by the Ministry of	All programs and projects are based on the Development and Planning Plan linked to the National Development Plan. There is citizen participation in assemblies			

	civil works, social planner, and	Economy and			
	productive projects.	Finance			
	It works together with the Parish Planning Council, which approves the projects in parish assemblies. It is composed of the chairman of the board, the parish ADG technician, ADG speaker and two people from the community.	Delivery of resources from individuals and private companies Authority transition issues			
ENVIRONM ENTAL TEAM	Coordinated work of the biophysical system speaker with the support of the public works technician and productive projects. This is because it involves the maintenance of green areas, for example parks, where you	Lack of economic resources. Authority transition issues	There are several projects aligned to the POA. Plant thousands of trees for the parish with the support of the Sinincay Educational Unit		

	need to implement bio-friendly		through planting		
	games, plants, and trees.		squads. The plants		
			are donated and the		
			irrigation system of		
			Machángara.		
			Recycling		
			campaigns		
			Sterilization		
			campaigns		
	This team is supported by the		Breeding project		
	associations of parish	Lack of	for minor animals -		
	entrepreneurs - especially	economic	guinea pigs,		
ECONOMIC	ecological entrepreneurs.	resources.	work in family		
TEAM		Authority	gardens, delivery		
	At the head is the technician of	transition issues	and planting of		
	the productive economic		fruit bearing plants		
	system				

			Among the		
			priorities is the		
			Manuel Puma		
			Meeting House.		
			This house is		
			located in		
			Mayancela for info		
	OCIAL minimum of 10% for fulfilling social projects.	Lack of	centers, and care		
SOCIAL		economic	for the elderly,		
PROJECTS		resources.	recreational and		
TEAM		Authority	social schools.		
	the socio-cultural commission		Social projects for		
			the benefit of		
			children,		
			adolescents, and		
			older adults		
			through soccer,		
			basketball, music,		
			and dance schools.		

BASIC SERVICES COVERAGE	It mainly focuses on sewerage works.	Lack of economic resources that do not meet the needs of the population. Authority transition issues	Agreements are made with ETAPA, ADG, and the locals to carry out projects.		
COMMUNI TY LEADERS	There are leaders who are active, on the other hand, there are others who only show up when there are problems. There is a process for the prioritization of annual POAS, through workshops in which leaders participate to expose the needs of their neighborhoods. The decision is made through the president of the ADG and the members,	people taking public positions.	There are plans to develop leadership and administrative management workshops, which allow leaders the proper management of their communities and their relationship with society.		

	taking into account economic	between the	Workshops for the		
	resources and project urgency.	authorities	prioritization of		
		Lack of	annual works.		
		participation			
		and interest of			
		some leaders.			

Source: (Parish of Sinincay ADG, 2015).

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Appendix C: NGO Chart

NGO	A C R O N Y	RU C	COUNT RY OF ORIGI N	OBJECT	SCOPE OF ACTION	TYPE OF COOPE RATIO N	AGREEM ENT	CONTA CT	WEBSI TE	OPEN MODE, MEETING	LINKS FOR APPLICATION
ECOL OGY PROJE CT INTER NATIO NAL	EP I	1792 4706 3300 1	United States	This is a nonprofit educational organization like no other. Our mission is to improve and inspire scientific education and conservation efforts throughout the world through partnerships between students and scientists. We train young people to take	ENVIRON MENTAL: Conservati on and scientific education through first-hand education experience s to promote	Bilateral Cooperat ion	BASIC OPERATI NG AGREEME NT BETWEEN THE GOVERN MENT OF ECUADOR AND ECOLOGY PROJECT	315 S. 4th St. East Mis soula, MT 59801 P 406.721. 8784 F 406.721. 7060 Galápag os Juan	fellowshi p@ecolo gyprojec t.org	Open Inscription, form application per account created	Students travel guide: https://www.ecology project.org/assets/do cs/2020_EPI_Catalo g_for_web.pdf

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					ty.			Scalesia			
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								Cruz,			
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INC.				Earth and build a	biodiversit	financial	BETWEEN	Olmedo	essional-		<u>nes_2019.pdf</u>

human beings live in harmony with nature 1 Preserving the world's biological diversity. 2 Ensuring that the use of renewable natural resources is	those functions that are defined in the statutes by which it is	MENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF	Av. Orellana E11-28 and Av.	ment- grants	
1 Preserving the world's biological diversity. 2 Ensuring that the use of renewable natural	that are defined in the statutes by which it	THE REPUBLIC OF	Orellana E11-28	<u>grants</u>	
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consumption.	its objectives through non- reimbursab le technical and	ATION \ "WORLD WILDLIFE FUND INC. \". (Valid until April 2019)	Telepho ne: (05) 2527299 / (05) 3015100 / (02) 2 554783		

					economic cooperatio n programs, in accordance with the needs of the different sectors in which it serves.			Email: hugo.arn al@wwf. org.ec, gabriela. maldona do@wwf .org.ec Website: www.w wf.org.e			
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TION,		integrity in land and	nt framed	MENT OF	Manabí.		
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MANN A PROJE CT INTER NATIO NAL	M PI	United States	Establish a worldwide network of Manna Project communities where young adults live and work together in marginalized communities.	Social: Social developme nt, education, cultural exchange	Technica 1 Cooperat ion	BASIC OPERATI NG AGREEME NT BETWEEN THE GOVERN MENT OF ECUADOR AND THE FOREIGN NON- GOVERN MENTAL ORGANIZ ATION	uí-	www.ma nnaproje ct.org/ec uador- spanish	Open	Contact the organization directly to be part of the project: ecuador@mannaproj ect.org, deborah@mannaproj ect.org

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POR CRIST O INC	9913 5632 0001	United States	Provide health care and social development to poor children and their families	SOCIAL: Health	Bilateral Cooperat ion	NT BETWEEN	, Mz. 16, Solar # 1	www.por cristo.or g www.por cristo.or g/facebo ok.com/p	Work in primary medical care, only on the Trinitarian Island	

						AND THE FOREIGN NON- GOVERN MENTAL ORGANIZ ATION POR CRISTO, INC. VALID UNTIL JANUARY 2020	Phone: (04) 2600828 /099948 8663 Email: teresitarc e@yaho o.com; porcristo org@yah oo.com			
FOND AZION E DON CARL O GNOC CHI -	8917 5539 2001	Italy	The Foundation exclusively intends to follow social solidarity purposes in the fields of health care, social, and social-sanitary	SOCIAL: Health - Social and educationa l assistance - Social inclusion	Bilateral Cooperat ion - Technica	BASIC OPERATI NG AGREEME NT BETWEEN THE	Address: Calle Amazon as and Carchi, within the	https://w ww.dong nocchi.it/ solidariet a- internazi onale	Operates exclusively in the province of Esmeraldas	

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		and labor integration					

			for people with disabilities - Public awareness about disability - Management of programs and rehabilitation activities in the communities of San Lorenzo county.			JUNE 2020. DOES NOT				
Japan Internat ional Cooper ation Agency	JI C A	JAPAN	It is oriented towards field work, focusing on human security and adopting an approach of greater effectiveness, efficiency, and speed.	Social: Human Security	Bilateral Cooperat ion - Technica	KEEP AGREEME NT WITH THE GOVERN	https://w ww.jica. go.jp/spa nish/abo ut/missio n.html	Add: Av. 6 de Diciemb re N33- 42 and Ignacio Bossano, Titanium Building, 4th	Conference	https://www.jica.go.j p/ecuador/english/of fice/others/c8h0vm0 000a81f64- att/brochure 03.pdf

									Floor, Quito Tel: + 593-2- 3333- 653 Fax: + 593-2- 3332- 956		
EDUC ATION AL ORIEN TATIO N CENT ER - COE	С	1890 1136 0100 1	Italy	The main objective is to provide comprehensive health services to the most vulnerable population. In the Specific Objective it is to give preventive, primary, and secondary care to the	SOCIAL: Civil Volunteeri ng - Education - Social Promotion	Technica 1 cooperati on	BASIC OPERATI ON AGREEME NT BETWEEN THE GOVERN MENT OF ECUADOR	s / n Atocha - Atocha Indigeno us	www.co eweb.org	Open	Contact the organization directly for project presentation: mascoecu@yahoo.es

				population to the province of Tungurahua and the central zone of the country.			AND THE "EDUCATI ONAL ORIENTA TION CENTER - COE". BEYOND DECEMBE R 2022	Telepho ne: (03) 242 3927 (03) 242 1279 (03) 242 1562 Email: med55co e@yaho o.es / coehia@ yahoo.es			
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Appendix D: Funds List

	Interna	tional Coope	eration for funds
Organization			
name's	Description of opportunity	Date Valid	Web page
	GIF invests in social projects that improve		
	the lives and opportunities of millions of		
Global	people in the world. It especially funds		
Innovation	innovative solutions to the challenges of		
Fund (GIF)	sustainable development (ODS).	No deadline	https://globalinnovation.fund/apply/about/
	CAF finances specialized operations that		
	complement the technical capacity of the		
CAF -	shareholder countries, in order to promote		
Development	innovative programs that contribute to		
Bank of Latin	sustainable development and regional		
America	integration.	No deadline	https://www.caf.com/es/sobre-caf/
		No	
	Projects with global social or	deadline.	
Oak	environmental interests will be supported,	The period	
Foundation	particularly those that have an important	-	https://oakfnd.org/

	impact on the lives of the most vulnerable	and	
	sectors.	selection of	
		projects can	
		last from 2	
		to 9	
		months.	
The Minor	MFMC will support the development of		
Foundation:	innovative communication strategies that		
MFMCs	involve people, and that facilitate the	The invite	
Grant	necessary transition to avoid dangerous	closes in	
Program	climate changes.	August	http://www.minor-foundation.no/apply-for-a-grant
	French organization that supports projects		
	that contribute to the reduction of		
Insolites	educational, cultural, health, economic,		http://www.fondation-insolitebatisseur-philipperomero.com/-
Batisseurs	and environmental inequalities.	No deadline	Proposer-un-projethtml?lang=fr

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Appendix E: Funds by country

Observations	Source	Notes
Receives projects throughout the year. It does not finance		
more than 50% of each project and does not finance less		Program officials have
than \$25,000. They have not subsidized projects in Ecuador.	http://oakfnd.org/our-grant-making.html	to send an invitation
In case of not being summoned to present a project, a		to send an invitation
consultation letter must be submitted.		
They receive applications at all times of the year, however it	https://www.nippon-	
is preferred that they be sent 6 months before the start of the		
project.	foundation.or.jp/en/what/grant/application/other_fields/	
Different types of invites in different periods of the year.	https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/node/1106	
There is currently no open invite for the region.	https://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/node/1100	
Receives requests at any date of the year	https://www.usaid.gov/work-usaid/get-grant-or-	
Receives requests at any date of the year	contract/unsolicited-proposals	
It has no application deadline.	https://globalinnovation.fund/apply/steps/understanding-	It is applied by filling
it has no application deadinic.	the-application-process/	out a web form.
It has no application deadline. The average grant is \$6200	http://www.hildencharitablefund.org.uk/overseas.htm	
Receives applications at any time of the year.	http://www.fondation-insolitebatisseur-	
Receives applications at any time of the year.	philipperomero.com/-Proposer-un-projethtml?lang=fr	

Invitations open all the time. It consists of technical assistance for community development, focused on ecotourism.	https://www.travindy.com/es/buenas-practicas-en-trc/	
Open invites for financing projects that aim to eradicate hunger through nutrition. Open until 09/24/2018	https://innovation.wfp.org/innovation-accelerator	
The INSPIRE Fund offers a grant from \$5,000 to \$30,000 for projects that seek to eradicate child violence. There are different invites with different deadlines: 08/31 - 10/31 - 12/31.	http://www.cpcnetwork.org/wp- content/uploads/2018/07/INSPIRE-Fund- RFP_Spanish.pdf	
For the foundation to finance a project, it needs to use	https://www.gsma.com/mobilefordevelopment/mobile-	
mobile technology. The application deadline is 08/10/2018.	for-humanitarian-innovation/innovation-fund/	
Invites are open until 08/31/2018. Offers an approximate	https://www.leatherman.com/grants.html#terms-and-	
amount of \$100,000	<u>conditions-modal</u>	
There are three open invites that end on: 08/17/2018 - 09/28/2018 - 11/28/2018.	http://www.minor-foundation.no/for-grantseekers	

Appendix F: Agencies

NGO	ACRO NYM	COUNT RY OF ORIGI N	GOAL	AXIS OF ACTION	TYPE OF COOPER ATION	AGREE	WEBSI TE	CONTACT	OPEN STATUS, INVITAT ION	LINKS FOR APPLICA TION
Korea Internationa 1 Cooperatio n Agency	KOICA	Korea	KOICA aims to achieve sustainable socio-economic development and poverty eradication in developing countries; and to contribute to solving global problems related to international development cooperation to harmonize development efforts with those of the international community.	Education		BASIC OPERA TION AGREE MENT	There is no specific website	Address: Av. 12 de Octubre N24- 660 and Francisco Salazar, Concorde Building, 3rd Floor Quito Phone: (02) 255- 8437		

ANDALUC	AACID	SPAIN	Development Cooperation (AACID in Spanish) is the body responsible for coordinating and promoting the international solidarity policies of the Junta de Andalucía. Configured as a Public Law Entity with	Developm ent cooperation itself, raising awareness and education for developm ent projects, and humanitarian and emergency action.	Financial Aid	BASIC OPERA TION AGREE MENT	http://w ww.junta deandalu cia.es/aa cid/inici o.html	Av. De la Palmera, 24 - 41012 Seville (Spain) Telephone: 955 051 851 - FAX: 955 051 898 aacid@juntadean dalucia.es	The collaborati on between the Andalusia n Agency for Internatio nal Developm ent Cooperati on and the aforementi oned agents is developed through collaborati on	
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							General	agreement s and grants.	
VALENCI ANA	SPAIN	Promote sustainable, equitable, and inclusive human development that helps to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals.	Sustainabl e developm ent	Technical cooperation and grants	BASIC OPERA TION AGREE MENT	ww.coop eracioval enciana. gva.es/es /coopera cion-al- desarroll o	Directorate for Cooperation and Solidarity	Invite	

Basque Developme nt Cooperatio n Agencies	-	SPAIN	Public entity of private law that seeks to plan and manage development policies: fight against poverty, promotion of human development, education, gender equity, humanitarian action in disasters and conflicts; all	Assistance in developin g cooperatio n projects and programs, scholarshi ps, emergenc y funds,	PS	BASIC OPERA TION AGREE MENT	https://w ww.elan kidetza.e uskadi.e us/infor macion/a gencia- vasca- de- cooperac ion-al-	Spain Tel: 945018087 Fax: 945017808 e-mail: agencia@elankid	Annual Invite	
-				emergenc			cooperac			

German Society for Internationa 1 Cooperatio n	GIZ	GERMA NY	GIZ has been present in Ecuador since1962. Around 77 national collaborators, 11 international collaborators, 6 integrated experts and 6 cooperators, work there.	Conservati on of the Environm ent and of Natural Resources and State, Democrac y and Participati on.	Technical	BASIC OPERA TION AGREE MENT		Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH Whymper N28- 39 and Orellana T +593 2 3815 810 F + 593 2 3815 810 Ext. 200 giz- ecuador@giz.de www.giz.de	Proposal submissio n	
SPANISH AGENCY FOR INTERNA TIONAL DEVELOP MENT	AECID	SPAIN	The Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID, in Spanish) is the main management body of the Spanish Cooperation, aimed at the fight against		cooperatio	OPERA TION AGREE	http://w ww.aeci d.es/ES/l a-aecid	Av. Reyes Católicos 4 - 28040 Madrid - Tel. +34 91 583 81 00 centro.informacio n@aecid.es	Open	

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TION			sustainable human	developm	n,					
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			to its statute, the agency	security	ian aid					
			was created to promote the	and						
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			development, conceived as	education,						
			a fundamental human	gender,						
			right, the fight against	democrati						
			poverty being part of the	c						
			process of building this	governanc						
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				climate						
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nt Agency			experts, staff, and	Developm	cooperatio	HON	el.be/con	18, Peru		

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CATALAN			The Catalan Agency for Development Cooperation	Health and water;	Developm		http://w ww.coop	cooperacio@genc at.cat.		
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MENT	ACCD	SPAIN	body of the Generalitat de	productive	Cooperati	OPERA TION	cat/2203	subvencions.accd.	Invite	
COOPERA	ACCD	SPAIN	Catalunya responsible for	capacities,	on and	AGREE	22_2.asp	exi@gencat.cat		
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			Department of the	rights,			gencat.ca			
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			of Catalonia to join the	ing of the						
			international community	social						
			in the commitment to	fabric;						
			build a more just and	empoweri						
			supportive world, and	ng						
			work to guarantee access	women,						
			to fundamental rights and	environme						
			the free development of	ntal						
			people and peoples of all	sustainabil						
			the world.	ity, and						
				peace						
				building.						
MADRID TOWN HALL	s	7 7 111 1	The Agreement of the Governing Board of the City of Madrid of June 27,	Focus on ODS	Financial cooperation and	BASIC OPERA TION	https://w ww.madr id.es/port ales/mun	Via Website	Invite	
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		General Sub Directorate for Internationalization.			extoid=c b520eb4 b923861 0VgnVC M10000 01d4a90 0aRCRD			
CEFA ONLUS - ITALY	ITALY	It is a non-governmental organization that supports the poorest communities in the south of the world to achieve food self-sufficiency and fundamental rights: food, education, gender equality, training, and work. CEFA in Ecuador has been present since 2008 with the EU-funded	FARMIN G; JOB;	Technical cooperatio n	https://ce faecuado r.org/#	Eloy Alfaro and Amazonas. 2nd floor (in the Office of German Technical Cooperation - Giz) - Quito. Ecuador (06) 2821117 Lago Agrio (02) 2239109 Quito cefa.ecuador@cef aonlus.it	Open	

Community Tourism		
project.		
CEFA aims to strengthen		
Producer Organizations,		
currently targeting 45		
associations of the three		
value chains, involving		
around 11,500 families.		
In addition, CEFA is		
working on resilience to		
climate change.		

Appendix G: Cities networks

NGO	ACRO NYM	COUNT RY OF ORIGI N	GOAL	AXIS OF ACTION	TYPE OF COOPER ATION	AGREE	WEBSIT E	CONTACTS	OPEN STATUS, INVITATIO N	LINKS FOR APPLIC ATION
United Nations Educati onal, Scientif ic and	UNESC O	United	UNESCO seeks to establish peace through international cooperation in	Education, Culture, Human and	technical, bilateral,	BASIC OPERATI ON AGREEM ENT	https://es. unesco.or g/	Commission of UNESCO:	Open Invitation, form application per	

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				Information				Ecuador.		
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				ENVIRON				Ulpiano Páez		
				MENTAL:				and Gerónimo		
				Natural				Carrión		
				Sciences				(corner), 4th		
								floor, Quito,		
								Ecuador.		
								Telephone:		
								593-2 299-		
								3200. Email:		
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								cancilleria.gob		
								.ec		
			URB-AL III is a	SOCIAL:	Governme	BASIC	http://ww	Latin America	Program	
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			decentralized	cohesion	technical,	ON	ocd.org/es	Municipality	Closed	

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Commission) with					Relations and
Latin America					Cooperation.
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contribute to					11200
increase the degree					Montevideo,
of social cohesion					Uruguay.
in the sub-national					Telephones:
communities of the					+598 2 413 66
region and that can					24 (o25) +598
become reference					2 413 66 24
models.					(ext. 207).
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					antena.al@gm
					ail.com

Europe an Union- Latin Americ OBF a L Relatio ns Observ atory	BREA	Its objective is to identify and strengthen the possibilities of relationships between the European Union and Latin America based on the specialized skills available in entities of both regions, in order to achieve a better understanding of the regional and sectoral problems that affect the development of public policies.	SOCIAL: dialogue and possibilities of association	Governme nt cooperatio n	BASIC OPERATI ON AGREEM ENT	https://ww w.obreal.o rg/	Globalization Observatory: University of Barcelona, Adolf Florensa 808028 Barcelona. Telephone: +34 934034479 Mail: info@obreal.or g	Open	
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Network of Region al Governments for Sustain able Development		South Africa	Support collectively sustainable development	IVE AND ENVIRON MENTAL: sustainable	nt, technical, bilateral cooperatio	BASIC OPERATI ON AGREEM	https://www.regions 4.org/abou t- us/regions 4	+32 736 234 903. Address: Chaussée d'Alsemberg,	Open Invitation, form application per account created	
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