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# **The Degree of Implementation of International Recommendations for the Protection of Women Environmental Defenders in Ecuador: 2021-2024 Period**

## **ABSTRACT**

This research aims to analyze the degree of implementation of international recommendations for the protection of women environmental defenders in Ecuador during the period of 2021-2024. Through the review of international norms and semi-structured interviews, it is possible to recognize the motives that drive environmental fights, the difficulties faced by women defenders in their fights and their main needs. The findings show that the implementation of international recommendations is partial and limited, without a gender-differentiated approach or effective institutional articulation in the protection of women who play a key role in the defense of the territory. It is concluded that there is a significant gap between the State's commitments and the real conditions of protection and, based on the above, recommendations are made.

### **Key words**

Activism, Environmental protection, human rights, environment, gender-based violence.

# **El Grado de Implementación de Recomendaciones Internacionales para la Protección de Defensoras Ambientales en Ecuador: Periodo 2021-2024**

## **RESUMEN**

La presente investigación busca analizar el grado de implementación de recomendaciones internacionales para la protección de defensoras ambientales en Ecuador durante el periodo 2021-2024. A través de la revisión de la normativa internacional y entrevistas semiestructuradas, se logra reconocer los motivos que impulsan las luchas ambientales, las dificultades que enfrentan las defensoras al momento de ejercer la lucha y sus principales necesidades. Los hallazgos muestran que la implementación de las recomendaciones internacionales es parcial y limitada, sin un enfoque diferenciado de género ni articulación institucional eficaz en la protección de las mujeres que juegan un rol clave en la defensa del territorio. Se concluye que existe una brecha significativa entre los compromisos del Estado y las condiciones reales de protección y en base a lo expuesto se generan recomendaciones.

### **Palabras clave**

Activismo, conservación ambiental, derechos humanos, medio ambiente, violencia de género.