

# Strengthening women environmental defenders through a digital and advocacy network

# Description of the project:

'Defensoras Ambientales' empowers women environmental rights defenders from indigenous peoples and local groups in Argentina, Bolivia and Paraguay, with a gender justice perspective. A network of over 1,200 women has been built, and an innovative mobile phone application (PLAC) was launched to inform, connect, protect and communicate efficiently. This supports the protection of territories deteriorated by extractivism, agrochemical contamination and the restriction of local actors' civic space. A feminist school was established in 2021 to strengthen local knowledge, technical and advocacy skills for climate adaptation and mitigation, with the aim to improve the groups' resilience and amplify their demands.















# TRANSFORMATIVE OUTCOMES

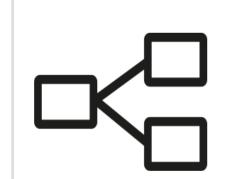
## Climate impact



Active conservation of natural resources, promoting the right to land, access to clean water, and organic food production via small grants



Fosters significant climate action through meaningful participation processes using advocacy and systemic transformation



Rehabilitation of cultural and ancestral knowledge for environmental protection

#### **Gender impact**



Mobile application to inform, protect, and connect women human rights defenders with each other

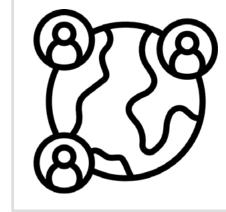


Creation of the Feminist School for Climate Action as an education space for political advocacy

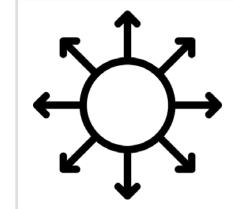


Strengthening the political participation of women environmental leaders in international human rights and SDG frameworks

### Scalability / replicability



Network building advocacy alliances in the Latin America region



Expansion of the PLAC mobile application to other countries

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