



*Centre for Water and Climate, Irrigation and Water Engineering Group (IWE)*

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Short title : Concertación  
Full title : CONCERTACIÓN. Interdisciplinary Research and Capacity-building Program on Peasant and Indigenous Water Management in the Andes  
Duration : 2006 – 2011  
Donor-Programme : DGIS  
Budget : 2.500.000 EUROS  
Leading partner : Wageningen University / Chairgroup IWE

### Objectives

Strengthen capacities for interdisciplinary investigation and action by young water professionals (natural and social science, with 50-50 gender balance) in the Andean countries regarding the

- empowerment of peasant and indigenous user organizations and platforms;
- analysis of social and political context of water resources management
- interactive, sociotechnical intervention strategies supporting local water control systems;
- analysis of national policies and legislation
- analysis of gender relationships in water user organizations, water development interventions and water policies

### Activities

A. Interandean level : strengthening partner institutions in the Andean countries

1. exchange of knowledge and staff: interAndean staff exchange, staff exchange among Dutch and Andean country partners, interAndean workshops in Peru, Bolivia and Ecuador
2. research results distribution: publication of books and educational materials, and exchange between documentation centers.
3. focused capacity-building at the interAndean level (see proposal)

B. Interdisciplinary training of Andean country Master students

Masters courses with tailor-made specializations are organized by CEDLA and by Wageningen University

C. Research activities as part of Master Program of Andean country students in local partner institutions.

D. Interandean PhD research

sustaining the programs contents, providing coherent analytical frameworks and building the fundamentals for action-research.

E. Country specific capacity-building in Bolivia, Peru, Ecuador

Particular, tailor-made capacity building programs according to local needs (see project document)

### Output

See project document

### **Partners in the Andean countries**

- Peru:  
IPROGA (network leader) /  
IMAR Costa Norte / Colegio Andino – Centro Bartolomé de las Casas / SNV-Peru / P.Universidad Católica / CONDESAN / GSAAC-IICA / CICDA / ETC / ITDG / AEDES / RELAJU / IEP / IMA / MASAL / CIED / Plan Meriss / others  
Embedded in the interinstitutional network programs:
  - GSAAC – Programa Interinstitucional de Gestión Social del Agua y Ambiente en Cuencas
  - WALIR – Water Law and Indigenous Rights
- Ecuador:  
CAMAREN (network leader) /  
CESA / SNV-Ecuador / SIPAE / Foro Nacional RHH / CICDA / RELAJU / PRICA-Un.Loja / FEPP / IEDECA / CONAIE / ECUARUNARI / FLACSO-Ecuador / P. Universidad Católica / GRR / others  
Embedded in the interinstitutional network programs:
  - Foro Nacional de Recursos Hídricos / CAMAREN – Consorcio Interinstitucional de Capacitación para el Manejo Sostenible de los Recursos Naturales Renovables
  - WALIR – Water Law and Indigenous Rights
- Bolivia:  
UMSS-Centro AGUA (network leader) /  
CGIAB / PRONAR / SNV-Bolivia / CICDA / CONIAG / CIPCA / Fundación Solón / RELAJU/ PIEB / others  
Embedded in the interinstitutional network programs:
  - CGIAB - Comisión para la Gestión Integral del Agua en Bolivia / Centro AGUA – Centro Andino para la Gestión y Uso del Agua
  - WALIR – Water Law and Indigenous Rights

### **Partners in the Netherlands**

- University of Amsterdam:  
CEDLA / Center for Latin American Research and Documentation
- Wageningen University:  
Irrigation and Water Engineering Group (general program coordination)  
Collaborating chair groups:  
Chair group Law and Governance  
Chair group Rural Development Sociology

In coordination with: Royal Dutch Embassies in Peru, Ecuador, Bolivia

The collaboration takes place within the framework of CERES – Research School for Resource Studies for Development

### **International partners**

- UN / CEPAL – United Nations Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean
- CONDESAN – Consorcio para el Desarrollo Sostenible de la Ecorregión Andina
- CapNet / LA WETnet – Capacity Building Network for Integrated Water Resources Management