Semillas de Incidencia

Patalegal Training and AI for Women Leaders of Titicaca Lake

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THE PROYECT

From Leadership to the Effective Excercise of Rights

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LOCATION

Lago Titicaca and its sub-basins:

Municipalities: Copacabana, Bahìa de Cohana, Desaguadero, Huatajata, Pucarani, among others.

OBJECTIVE

The strengthen the leadership of indigenous women in water governance and the defense of enviromental rights through paralegal training and accesible technological tools.

WHO

20 indigenous and community women leaders
Asociación de Mujeres Unidas en Defensa del Agua - MUDA

GENDER RELATED OBJECTIVES

- Increase women’s effective participation in environmental decision-making processes.
- Reduce abrriers to accessing lgal information and institutional mechanisms.
- Recognize and enhace women’s knowledge and capacities as agents of knowledge and capacities as agents of change within their territories.





WHAT WAS WORKED?

Successful Strategies and Lessons Learned

1 CO - CREATION

Women leaders participate from the very beginning in defining the project's content. methodologies, and tools.

LESSON LEARNED

When women are protagonists in the design process, solutions respond to real needs and foster ownership and commitment.

2 VALUING EXISTING KNOWLEDGE

The project builds upon the knowledge that women already possess about their territories, water resources and biodiversity.

LESSON LEARNED

We didn't begin by "teaching", we began by listening.

3 TRADITION AND INNOVATION

Digital tools and artificial intelligence are integrated with community-based and intergenerational knowledge.

LESSON LEARNED

Technology only makes sense when it strenthens local capacities rather than replacing them.









CHALLENGES

IMPROVEMENT FOR OPPORTUNITIES

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TRANSFORMING PARTICIPATION INTO DECISION-MAKING POWER

Although women actively participate in community activities, they still face challenges in influencing formal governance spaces.

WHAT WE HAVE LEARNED

Integrating a gender perspective is not merely about ensuring women’s presence; it means creating the conditions for women to participate in ways that are safe, informed and influential.

THE INVITATION TO CHANGE

Women are not passive beneficiaries of environmental projects. They are guardians of their territories, generators of solutions, and indispensable actors in building more just and sustainable governance systems.

REFLECTION

Working with women leaders from Titicaca Lake has reminded us that a gender perspective is not an additional component of environmental projects-it is a prerequisite for truly sustainable solutions.

When women hace access to information, tools and decision-making spaces, we do not only strengthen their capacities; we strengthen the resilience of their territories and the protection of biodiversity.

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THANK YOU