2023 REPORT
LA RUTA DEL CLIMA
Introduction

La Ruta del Clima is a Costa Rican non-governmental organization (NGO) that advocates for the right of the public to participate in the climate governance process and climate justice.

It is our goal to work with other organizations as a climate knowledge broker. We seek to draw attention to the need to respond to the adverse impacts of climate change on our communities.

**Mission**

A leading Latin American NGO at the national and international level on climate change governance and on the promotion of climate justice and public participation in climate decisions.

**Vision**

A leading NGO at the national and Latin American level, a reference in climate change and focused on political advocacy to encourage citizen participation with international recognition and positioning.
We are a Costa Rican non-profit, non-governmental organization registered in 2015 to promote climate empowerment and sustainable development.

We develop research and local processes with grassroot organizations on issues related to: Public participation, Climate action, Human Rights, Loss and Damage

We advocate with stakeholders for the public’s right to participate in the process of climate governance and climate justice.
All we need is Justice. As a Global South NGO were decided to claim our right to a healthy environment, to protect our climate and to remain in our territories. We have a right to prosperity and to develop in our communities.

As a Think and Do Tank, researching, learning from communities, talking with politicians, and exercising environmental democracy is at the core of our political activism. A Pedagogy of Resistance leads us to research and understand social, environmental, and economic issues to interpret them from our perspective as agents seeking justice and human rights.

During 2023, La Ruta del Clima collaborated with partners across the world to fight for climate reparations and a loss and damage fund. People are entitled to justice and climate reparations. On climate decisions, human rights and science have to lead the way.

For 2024, research for political activism will lead our agenda. Working with key partners, we will push for our right to climate reparations, a Loss and Damage Fund that does not monetize human suffering, and to imagine just futures in a healthy environment.

"Los derechos se toman, no se piden, se arrancan, no se mendigan"
José Martí.
Our Work

Dignity and Climate Justice

Promote the right to public participation and access to public information and strengthen Latin American advocacy on the international climate agenda from a human rights, gender and science-based perspective. A project funded by Heinrich Boll Foundation.

Exploring pathways to climate justice

Civil society organizations have placed climate justice and gender issues on the international climate agenda, strengthened multilateral mechanisms to repair damage and loss, and created new ones where needed, thereby securing the rights of groups of people who are particularly affected by the climate crisis. A project funded by Heinrich Boll Foundation.

Climate Justice for Latin America

NGOs in Latin America Develop Knowledge on Loss and Damage to be able to influence the climate agenda and ensure the participation of Central American civil society in the climate governance. A project funded by Brot für die Welt

"Participatory Research on Climate Change-Induced Loss and Damage and Its Relationship to Environmental Health in Vulnerable Communities in Desamparados de Costa Rica"

This research on Climate Change-Induced Loss and Damage seeks to identify the link between climate impacts and loss and damage on the health of urban communities. A project funded by Mount Sinai.
PA-22-002: Panama - Deliver Methane Roadmap and SLCP Roadmap focused on black carbon CR-22-001: Costa Rica - Deliver national SLCP plan and methane roadmap

The objective of this project is to provide technical assistance to the Ministry of Environment of Panama and the Ministry of Environment of Costa Rica to develop the mitigation of short-lived climate pollutants (SLCP) assessment and support for the improvement of methane mitigation planning in each country, respectively. A project funded by Climate and Clean Air Coalition.

Strengthen Civil Society for the implementation of national climate policy

It discusses the legal framework, existing structures, as well as concrete opportunities and processes that enable civil society organisations (CSOs) to participate in national climate policy, especially with regard to the Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC) review processes. A project funded by Unabhängige Institut für Umweltfragen (UfU).

Support for Latin American positioning on interface between climate finance and international financial reform

Develop organizational capacities on the interconnectedness of international finance reform and climate impacts advocacy at international level focused. A project funded by Climate Emergency Collaboration Group.

Regional IKI Podcasts

Produce and promote 4 episodes of a bilingual podcast (Spanish-English) that presents the impacts and results of the work of IKI projects in Central America and the Caribbean. A project funded by Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit.
PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT between CNCD-11.11.11

The purpose of this partnership agreement is to establish the modalities of collaboration within the framework of the partnership relationship financed by the "Citizenship and Democracy" line of CNCD11.11.11. It specifies the respective responsibilities and commitments of both parties. Funded by CNCD-11.11.11

ACE Strategy Implementation - Panamá

The purpose of this contract is to provide support services to public authorities for the implementation of Panama's National Climate Empowerment Strategy. A project funded by Fundación Internacional y para Iberoamérica de Administración y Políticas Públicas (FIIAPP).

Implementation of needs assessments to strengthen the capacities of local governments and communities to address the drivers of environmental migration in Los Chiles and Puerto Jimenez.

Contributed to strengthening the capacities of local governments and communities to address the drivers of environmental migration in Costa Rica. A project funded by International Organization for Migration (IOM).
Just and Transformational Solutions for Climate Justice

The purpose of this Agreement is the cooperation and implementation of the Just and Transformational Solutions for Climate Justice Project. Facilitating the dialogue between organizations of the Global North and the Global South. You can find the publication in our website. A project funded by Oxfam US.

Voices from the Frontline Phase III: Stories on Loss & Damage

This product compiled a story about the impacts and local responses to loss and damage in a community in Costa Rica, impacted by climate change, who plant mangroves to save their community. A project funded by International Centre for Climate Change and Development (ICCCAD).
Publications

Podcast La Ruta del Clima Radio

Podcasts in English and Spanish were available:

La Ruta del Clima | Podcast on Spotify

Publications:

Available: Publications – The Climate Route

During 2023, we developed 12 publications

Movilidad Humana en el contexto climático: Costa Rica
El futuro consumido: Extractivismos y Cambio Climático en Centroamérica
Participar es un Derecho: El camino de Egipto a los Emiratos
A closer look into the TC5 Recommendations
Nuestro Derecho a Reparaciones Climáticas
COP28: Haciendo Balance Mientras el Planeta Arde
Una Ley Marco de Cambio Climático para Costa Rica
Impactos Climáticos en Comunidades Urbanas Marginalizadas
A People Centered Loss and Damage Fund
Observaciones sobre la opinión consultiva sobre “Emergencia Climática y Derechos Humanos”
A Mandate from Sharm: Unpacking the Transitional Committee on Loss and Damage
Justicia un Reclamo Radical: Financiación de daños y pérdidas
Public Events

Virtual:

- Marco Contexto de DyP
- Comité de Transición de DyP
- Marco Jurídico para la Justicia sobre DyP
- Fondo de DyP en base a los Derechos Humanos
- A CSO proposal for the Loss and Damage Fund
- Justice and the politics behind loss and damage at the UNFCCC
- Opinión Consultativa CIDH y el reto de la Justicia Climática
- Litigo climático transnacional por daños y pérdidas
- Perspectivas centroamericanas con respecto a daños y pérdidas - Enfoque en el recurso hídrico
- “Loss and damage” in the context of capitalism
- Litigo Climático por daños y pérdidas en la corte mundial
- ¿Por qué tenemos que unir fuerzas y apoyar una Convención de la ONU sobre fiscalidad?

In-person events:

COP 28
- Human mobility and Climate Change in Latin America:
- A path to Climate Justice:
- A Participatory Dialogue on Justice and Responsibility
- A North-South Participatory Dialogue on Justice & Loss and Damage
- Justice and Responsibility: US and Latin American NGOs addressing loss and damage

SB 56
- The Bridgetown Initiative – Fit to Finance Climate Justice?
- Essential Costa Rica: Human Rights and Climate Ambition
- Imagining just futures A participatory dialogue on just and rights-based approaches to address loss and damage in Latin America and the Caribbean. Experts and practitioners of the region will discuss redress and justice to vulnerable communities affected by loss and damage.
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