



UNOCACE

Challenges for the
implementation of a Due
Diligence System according to EU
requirements for deforestation-
free products in UNOCACE



UNOCACE:



We are a Representative Integration Organisation of the Popular and Solidarity Economy, with **1940 producers** and **25** organisations located in **11** provinces of Ecuador.

- ▶ ESMERALDAS
- ▶ MANABÍ
- ▶ GUAYAS
- ▶ SANTA ELENA
- ▶ THE RIVERS
- ▶ THE GOLD
- ▶ CAÑAR
- ▶ BOLIVAR
- ▶ COTOPAXI
- ▶ SUCUMBIOS
- ▶ CHIMBORAZO



CERTIFICATIONS:



PILLARS OF ACTION

- MARKETING ASSOCIATIVE
- IMPROVEMENT PRODUCTIVE
- GOVERNANCE AND PROFESSIONALISATION
- SAVING AND FUNDING
- REPRESENTATION AND INCIDENCE

KEY DATA



1940

PRODUCERS



2500 MT

COCOA SUPPLY



4,700 MT

HECTARES COCOA



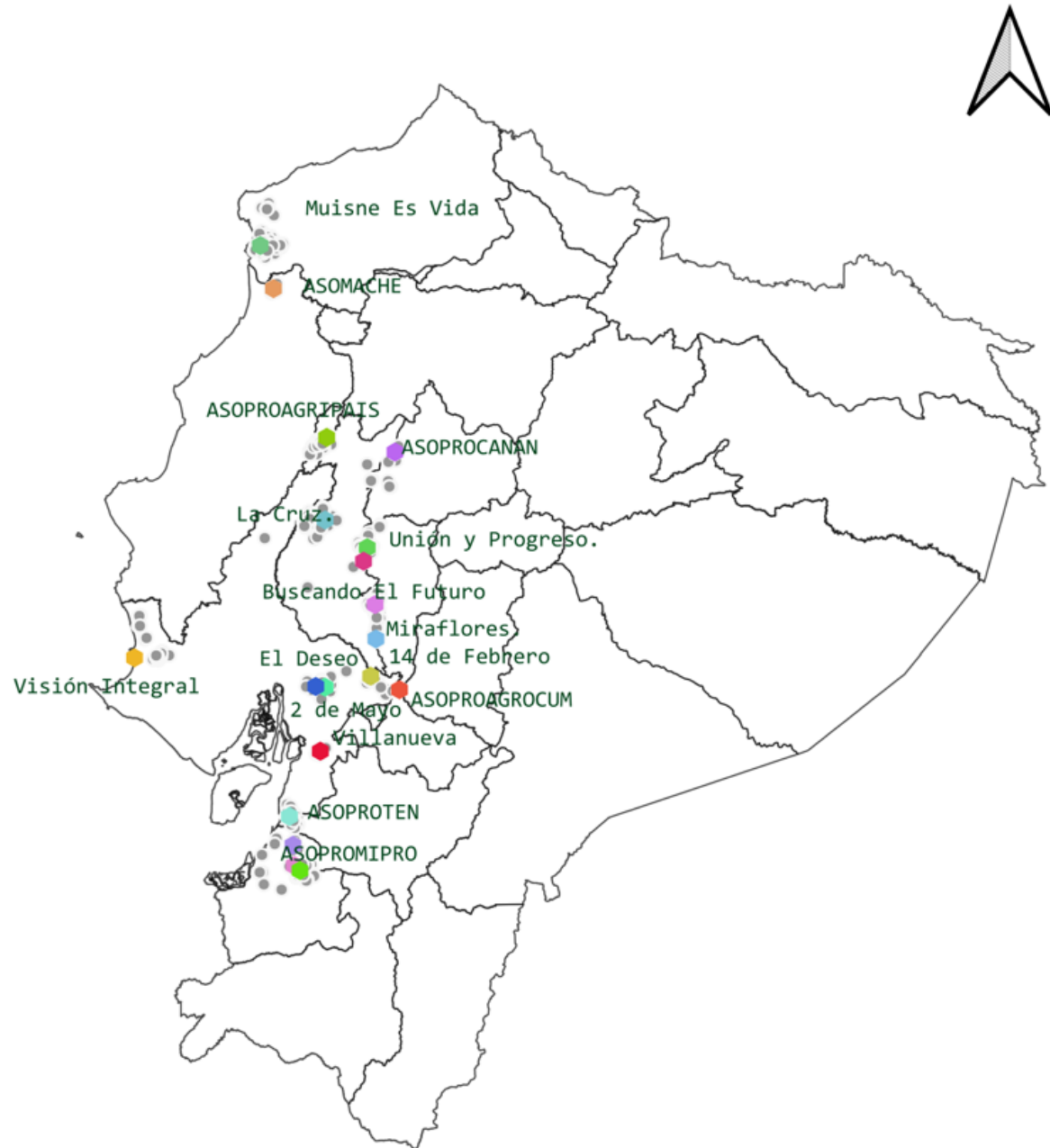
640 HA

RENEWED COCOA IN AGROFORESTRY



1500 MT

SUPPLY OF ASSOCIATED CROPS BANANA AND ORITO



Asociaciones

- 14 de Febrero
- 2 de Mayo
- ASOMACHE
- ASOPROAGRIPAIS
- ASOPROAGROCUM
- ASOPROCANAN
- ASOPROMIPRO
- ASOPROTEN
- Buscando El Futuro
- El Deseo
- El Paraíso
- El Rosario
- La Cruz.
- Miraflores.
- Mollopongo El Tovar
- Muisne Es Vida
- Unión y Progreso.
- Villanueva
- Visión Integral
- Unidades productivas

0 75 150 km



**Mapa de Asociaciones
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Lessons learnt 2024: Geolocation data collection

Actions implemented by UNOCACE in organisations:

- Georeferencing of plots and polygons ($X \geq 4$ ha):
 - ✓ GPS points < 4 ha
 - ✓ Polygon ≥ 4 ha

Deforestation analysis was carried out in the *Satelligence Software* of the crops *with GPS points*.

Polygon analysis is in process.

The plots with deforestation alerts were checked against national sources and it was determined that the it is agricultural land.

Deforestation free

83.5%

Total plots

526

Non deforestation free plots

87

Deforestation inside plots

11.6 ha

Plots with non-negligible risk

456

Plots per risk factor

Presence of forest	428
Prevalence of deforestation	273
Presence of protected areas	28
Presence of indigenous territories	0



Lessons learned 2024: Implementation of traceability system (INATRACE)

Actions implemented by UNOCACE in organisations:

- Training of technical staff in handling and implementation of the software.
- Activities:
Operational practice in the system: purchases, registers, means of verification.
Data entry in the software of the organisations of the centre: **El Deseo & 2 de Mayo**

The screenshot displays the INATRACE PRO interface for the 'Asociación de productores Agrícolas El Deseo'. The main section is titled 'Entregas' and includes a dropdown menu for 'Seleccione área', two buttons for '+ Añadir entrega' and '+ Añadir entrega global', and a table of delivery records. The table has columns for 'Fecha de entrega', 'Agricultor', 'Semiproducto', 'Cantidad', 'A pagar / Saldo', and 'Acciones'. The first two rows are visible, showing deliveries on 26.2.2025 and 30.1.2025.

Fecha de entrega	Agricultor	Semiproducto	Cantidad	A pagar / Saldo	Acciones
<input type="checkbox"/> 26.2.2025	Franklin Francisco Briones Ruiz	Cacao en baba	99,97 lb	149,96 / 149,96	Editar Ver Añadir pago de saldo Perfil de agricultor Borrar
<input type="checkbox"/> 30.1.2025	Washington Delfin Haro Leon	Cacao en baba	299,97 lb	119.988 / 119.988	Editar Ver Añadir pago de saldo Perfil de agricultor Borrar



Lessons learned 2024: Risk assessment and mitigation

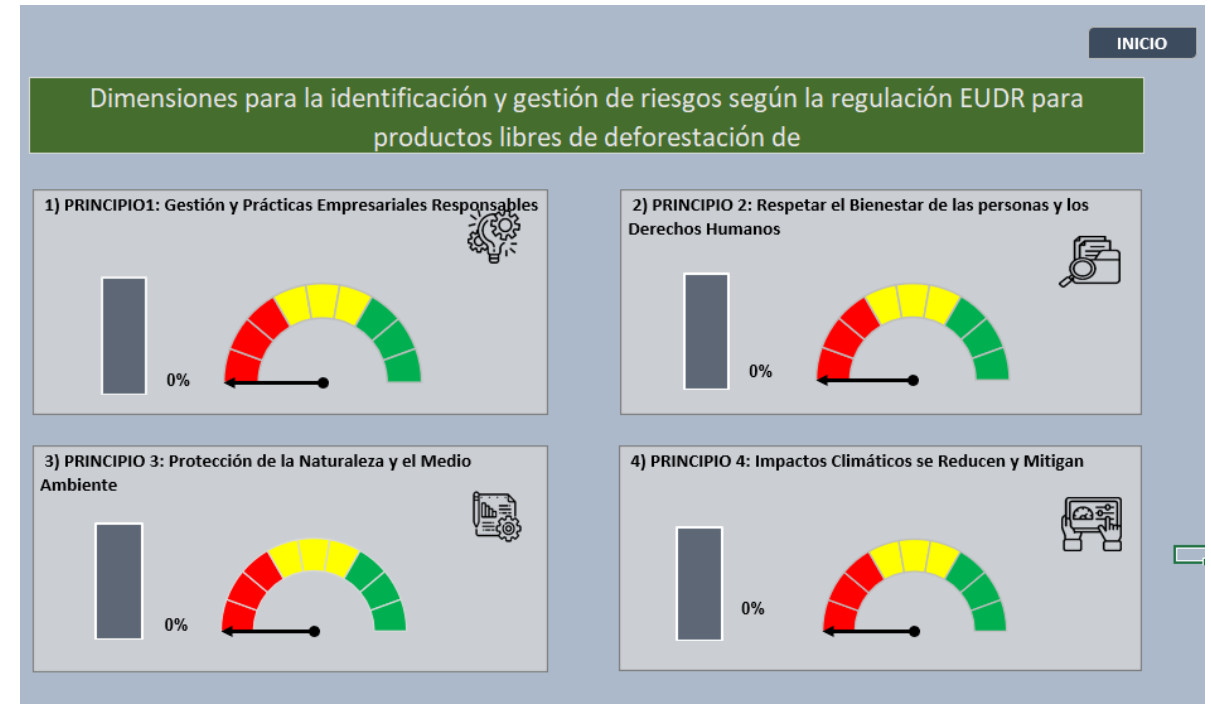
Actions implemented by UNOCACE in the organisations:


- Application of tools to identify the risk level:


- Union and Progress
- 2 May
- Integral Vision
- Asoproten
- Aprocash
- Aprocel


- **Activities:**

The survey was carried out in the organisations where information was collected to implement risk mitigation.



 HERRAMIENTA AZUL DIAGNOSTICO ASOCIATIVO.xlsm

 HERRAMIENTA NARANJA ANALISIS DE CAPACIDADES EUDR.xlsm

 HERRAMIENTA VERDE GESTION DE RIESGOS EUDR_v2.xlsm



Lessons learned 2024: Exporting with Geolocation Information

Actions implemented by UNOCACE in the organisations:

- So far, it has been carried out in three cocoa plots with geolocation information:
- **Activities:**
An information management system is created for sending traceability information that verifies the origin of free of deforestation cocoa beans.





Learnings 2024: Other areas of action

Actions implemented by UNOCACE in the organisations:

- Diagnosis of the organisations/cooperatives according to performance indicators
- Development of roadmap for implementing due diligence system
- Updating the process flow of the organisations and the head office
- Training of producers on EUDR regulation
- Development of a risk mitigation plan (ongoing)
- Strengthening local law enforcement (legality)
- Coordination of strategic actions with cooperating partners
- Expansion of the model to other organisations



THANK YOU...

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