

## PROJECT REPORT FINAL 58143

### WITH MY SCHOOL, I DISCOVER THE CHILLON RIVER

#### BACKGROUND

The pollution that has been occurring for several years in the Chillon River is mainly due to the discharge of domestic and industrial wastewater, solid waste, agricultural activities, pig farms, informal foundries and other companies, which dump their waste on the banks of the river without complying with established environmental standards. In this sense, the lack of interest of various actors and the lack of initiative to improve water quality, as well as the need for basic sanitation, have been noted. In addition, the riparians fail to comply with environmental regulations, causing the river to deteriorate. However, the scenic beauty of this ecosystem is magnificent, and the basin offers a series of ecosystem services that could promote sustainable income-generating activities, so it is necessary to strengthen environmental management programmes for water resources, water quality, solid waste, environmental education and sanitation of the population. In addition, environmental citizenship must be built in educational institutions in order to initiate the establishment of some corrective measures with primary and secondary school students and to initiate, through creativity, innovation and research, the implementation of actions that benefit the recovery of the waters of the Chillon River.

#### PROGRESS

Progress to date is as follows:

- During the first months, a meeting was held with key actors in the river basin to analyse the problems of this area and plan key actions involving schools, local governments and churches.
- Stakeholder mapping was carried out with the support of the Uniendo Manos Network, in order to identify the main representatives of public and private institutions present in the intervention area, including the district education management units (UGEL).
- A sample was taken to analyse the water quality of the spring - Siete Colores lagoon, Chuchón lagoon and sectors of the province of Canta.

#### BUDGET

- To date, \$20 has been raised from Global Giving.

#### FUTURE ACTIONS

- Proposals will be presented to different state and private institutions in order to obtain the required budget to address the issues raised in the project. The important thing is that we already have a driving committee that will ensure the care and protection of the Chillon river basin.

## PICTURES



Picture 1. Socialisation and analysis meeting with key actors in the Chillón river basin for joint action in schools for the care of the Chillón river.



Photograph 2. Water sampling to determine the quality of the Chillón River.