

# WE BUILD PRESENT FOR THE FUTURE



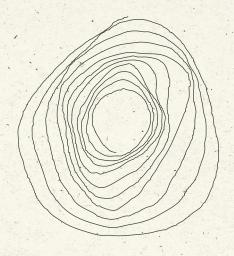
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# OUR **PHILOSOPHY**



At Fundación Futuro, we cultivate Grupo Futuro's deeply human philosophy: placing · life-in all its forms-at the center of every decision. Our story is born from a purpose and the shared conviction that true success is what drives collective well-being and leaves a lasting legacy.

For us, sustainability is a way of living in balance with the world. It means caring: for the environment, for people, and for the bonds that connect us. This vision aligns us with Grupo Futuro's values, where passion, excellence, creativity, responsibility, sustainability, and integrity

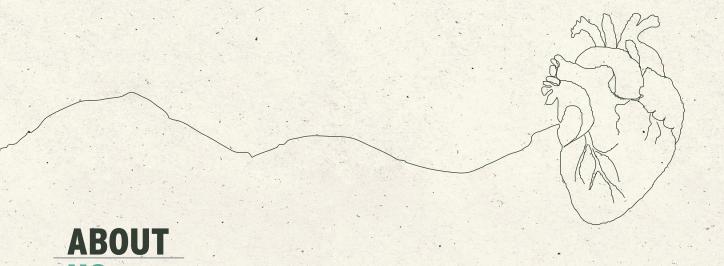
transcend individual interest. We believe an organization can and must be a driving force for life, inspiration, and regeneration.

Grupo Futuro's values model has guided the creation of purpose-driven companies and solutions for the country for more than 50 years. Today, through Fundación Futuro, we channel this living heritage toward caring for the planet and strengthening communities and ecosystems of high ecological value. This is how we build a present with a future.

#### **ABOUT US**

Fundación Futuro is the social and environmental heart of Grupo Futuro, a network of 21 companies committed to caring for life and seeking alternatives to mitigate the impacts of climate change, biodiversity loss, and social inequality.

We believe in a present with a future, where businesses, communities, and ecosystems thrive in balance. We are a space where ideas turn into action and collective purpose gains strength.



For more than two decades, we have worked to turn Grupo Futuro's commitment to human development and care for the planet into concrete initiatives that regenerate ecosystems, strengthen communities, and reconnect people with nature.

We leverage the resources, knowledge, and capabilities of the business sector to drive innovative solutions that address the great challenges of our time: climate change, biodiversity loss, and social inequality.

This is our story: since its beginnings in 1973, Grupo Futuro has been guided by the values of its founders, with a vision of sustainability that runs through all its businesses. In 2000. Fundación Futuro was created as the technical and structured channel to turn those values into real impact.

We began by facilitating access to healthcare and credit in rural communities. Since 2019, with a renewed vision, we have redirected our efforts toward climate action, ecosystem conservation, and regenerative territorial development.

Today, we support the holding's companies in their ESG (Environmental, Social, and Governance) strategies, work with communities in biodiverse ecosystems, promote climate finance mechanisms, and build public-private partnerships that generate shared value.

We turn conservation into a strategic value proposition. Our financing mechanism, NFTree, has been internationally recognized for its ability to combine technological innovation with tangible results. Since 2019, we have proven that protecting nature can also be an innovative choice for companies, investors, and communities.

CATALOGUE **MILESTONES** 



Grupo Futuro founded

# 2000

Fundación Futuro created

# 2019

Mission shifted toward climate action, conservation, and regenerative development

# 2025

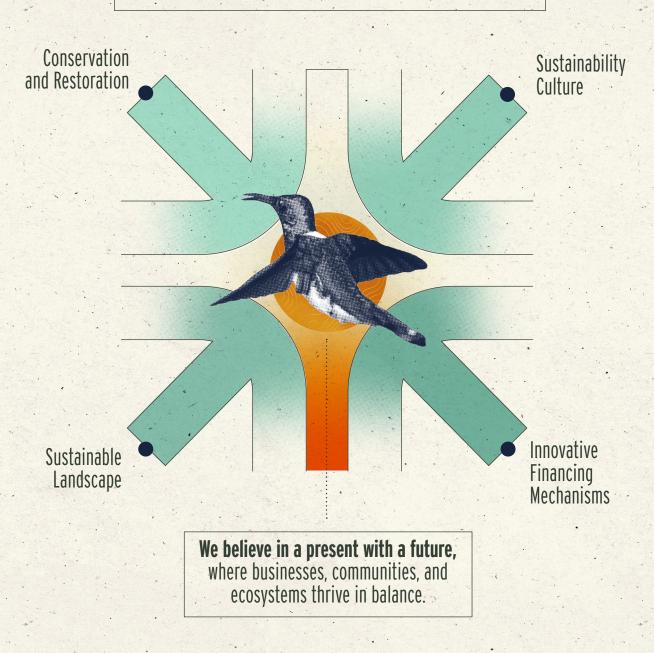
Building Presents with a Future

CATALOGUE OUR PURPOSE

# OUR

To mitigate climate change, regenerate biodiversity, and generate sustainable well-being from the Chocó Andino.

We do this through a comprehensive four-pillar model



CATALOGUE **OUR MODEL** 

# OUR

We create high-impact solutions that improve quality of life in communities through a work model structured around four integrated pillars: Conservation and Restoration, Sustainable Landscape,

Innovative Financing Mechanisms, and Sustainability Culture, all aligned with our vision of a sustainable landscape where nature, communities, and economies coexist in balance.

### **CONSERVATION AND RESTORATION**

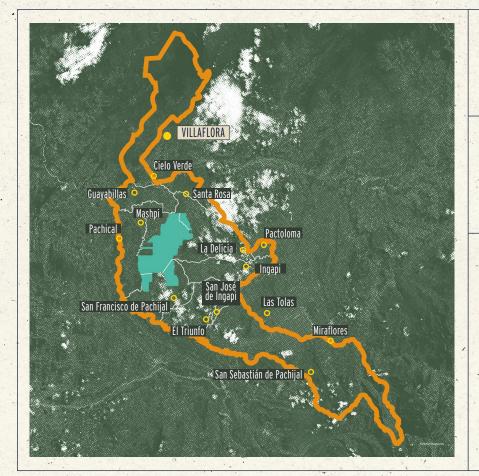
We reconnect forest remnants in the Chocó Andino to · support the adaptation of all human and non-human species to climate change.



We address threats such as illegal logging and agricultural frontier expansion with concrete actions to protect and rebuild the ecological fabric of the Chocó Andino. Our starting point is a 3,237.02 hectare-core conservation area anchored in the Mashpi-Tayra Wildlife Refuge-recognized by the Ministry of Environment & Energy and integrated into the National System of Protected Areas in 2023.

Based on this, we work with 15 communities as we are weaving two strategic bio-corridors spanning 22,600 hectares to reconnect forest remnants for climate adaptation, resulting in a total direct impact of 5,820.02 hectares protected and restored through our dual model of reserve management and community partnerships.

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5,820.02 hectares protected and restored in the Chocó Andino

3.237.02 hectares under direct management (Mashpi-Tayra and Mashpi Protected Forest).

2.583 hectares conserved and restored through sustainable practices and Conservation Agreements.

### **INNOVATIVE FINANCING MECHANISMS**

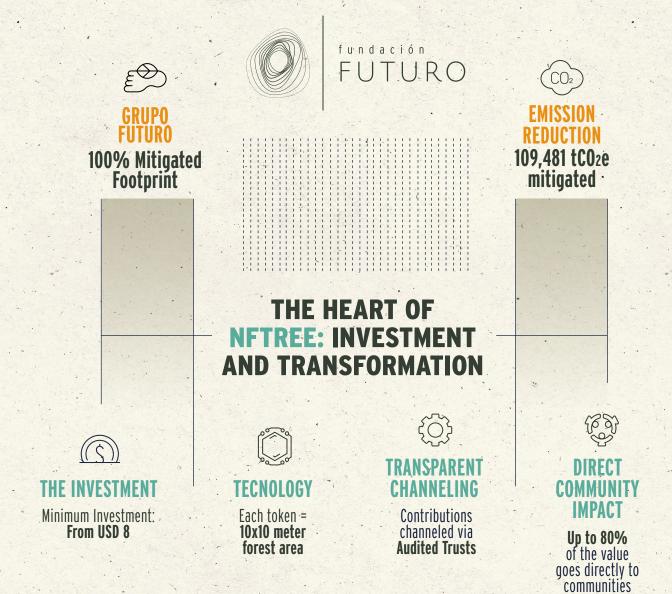
Caring for life requires sustained and innovative investments



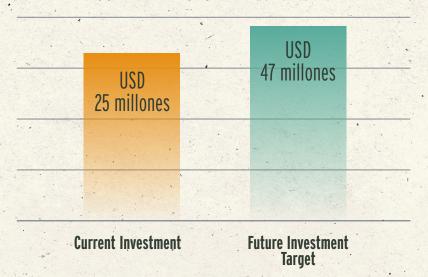
For this reason, we have developed strategic tools to mobilize resources and turn financing into impact. We are part of the Chocó Andes Network, an alliance of local organizations and international donors aiming to conserve 500,000 hectares in 10 years. As members of its Steering Committee, we lead this initiative alongside renowned partners such as Rainforest Trust, Liz Claiborne & Art Ortenberg Foundation, and Bezos Earth Fund, which have committed USD 25 million toward a USD 47 million goal.

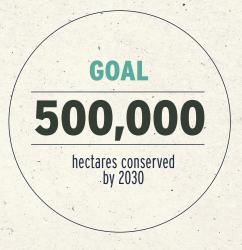
One of our mechanisms is NFTree, a platform that uses blockchain technology to channel investments transparently toward conservation actions. Through these tools, we have achieved the capture of 109,481 tCO2e, equivalent to removing more than 24,000 vehicles from circulation annually.

"We transform investment into impact and conservation into a strategic asset"



### **SCALE AND FUTURE PROJECTION**





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# 3 SUSTAINABLE LANDSCAPE

We promote a harmonious relationship between communities and their natural environment. We strengthen sustainable livelihoods and access to opportunities through conservation models based on governance, education, and regenerative culture in ecosystems of high ecological value.



In governance, we support 30 landowning families in the legalization of 1,223 hectares of their lands—a fundamental—step for their security and well-being. At the same time, we promote the bioeconomy from within communities by opening markets for local producers. Currently, this economy-driven initiative generates—direct income for 72 families through three consolidated markets, and we are working to open three additional markets that will benefit 66 more families. We also support the strengthening of productive associations, such as the Guayabillas Women Entrepreneurs Association (ASOMEG), assisting in their legal formalization process, the gastronomic development of nine products, and securing their health permits.

This work is complemented by strong investment in the future through capacity building, education, and professional development. We benefit more than **300 students in five schools and have graduated 51 community guides**, who today represent local talent leading conservation.

#### **GOVERNANCE AND LAND TENURE**

#### INTEGRATED TERRITORIAL GOVERNANCE MODEL

implemented with local stakeholders

# 30 FAMILIES SUPPORTED

in land legalization processes

# 1,223 HECTARES REGULARIZED

with completed topographic surveys

#### SUSTAINABLE LIVELIHOODS

#### USD 81,679 GENERATED

for 72 families across four communities.

#### ASOMEG STRENGTHENED

legal formalization, development of 9 products, and sanitary registrations obtained

# FOUR MARKETS OPENED

Mashpi Lodge, Banchis, Moonshot, and Tutosnack.

#### **CAPACITY BUILDING**

#### 300+ STUDENTS BENEFITED

each year in 5 rural schools

# 51 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY GUIDES

graduated (26 men and 25 women)

# 50 YOUTH AND ADULTS

enrolled in our motorcycle mechanics specialization program

#### **15 ADULTS**

completing high school through virtual learning CATALOGUE **OUR MODEL** 



# **CULTURE OF** SUSTAINABILITY

We generate pride and strategic value for Grupo Futuro companies: through our leadership in the intercompany sustainability committee, we support Grupo Futuro companies in embedding sustainability into their business models.



With strategic guidelines and global standards such as double materiality and B Corp certification, we drive the construction of a genuine culture of sustainability that develops value propositions with a positive impact on the planet · and society.

We guided Salud S.A. through its successful process to become the world's first prepaid healthcare company certified as a B Corp-a milestone that demonstrates the power of our model. Today, we are replicating this responsible leadership, guiding nine additional companies along their path toward certification.

# **OUR MASHPI-TAYRA**

### RESERVE

In the heart of the tropics, where the equatorial line meets the Andes, lies the Chocó Andino-an ecosystem of global importance due to its extraordinary ecological and scientific value. It serves as a natural laboratory, offering insights into ecological processes, the threats of climate change, and the opportunities to restore the relationship between humans and nature.

The Chocó Andino is one of the 36 most biodiverse places on Earth. Its altitudinal range, from 500 to 4,000 meters above sea level, allows the coexistence of unique ecosystems-from tropical forests to high Andean páramos.

Within this landscape lies the Mashpi-Tayra Reserve, the core of our territorial work. It encompasses 3,237.02 hectares of voluntarily conserved forest: 1,229 hectares recognized in 2023 as part of Ecuador's National System of Protected Areas (SNAP), and an additional 2,008.02 hectares under other forms of private conservation.

The reserve includes three key microwatersheds-Chirape, Guambupe, and Sune Chico-and forms part of the core of the Chocó Andino Biosphere Reserve. It harbors high-priority ecosystems such as the Foothill Evergreen Forest of the Western Andes and is home to:



This represents 24% of Ecuador's bird species and 21% of its mammal species

From this core, we are building two ecological biocorridors spanning 22,600 hectares in collaboration with 15 communities, connecting the Cotacachi-Cayapas Ecological Reserve in the north with the Mindo-Nambillo Protected Forest in the south. By 2035, through the Chocó Andes Alliance, we aspire to protect 500,000 hectares.

# OUR **IMPACT**

When care is transformed into action, it generates lasting impact. Our modelintertwining private investment, community well-being, and technological innovation—is not just a vision: it is a reality reflected in concrete figures. Below we present the evidence of our living legacy, the results that demonstrate the power of our formula.



**CONSERVATION** 

under-conservation and active restoration in the Chocó Andino.



**CLIMATE ACTION** 

captured since 2019, equivalent to taking more than 24,000 vehicles off the road annually.



MOBILIZED INVESTMENT

invested by Grupo Futuro and its companies since 2019, equivalent to 3% of their net profit.



**UNIQUE BIODIVERSITY** 

for science described in our Mashpi-Tayra Reserve.



are now earning new income by selling their products through markets opened by Fundación Futuro.



benefiting annually across 5 schools.



#### LOCAL TALENT DEVELOPMENT

# 116 people

benefiting from our technical certification programs in mechanics, tourism guiding, and accelerated virtual high school.



#### LAND TENIIRE

# 30 families

supported in the process of legalizing their land (1,223 hectares).



#### TERRITORIAL GOVERNANCE

# 1 DAO established

(Decentralized Autonomous Organization) established, operating on an innovative blockchain-based governance model.



#### BUSINESS TRANSFORMATION

# 10 companies

in transformation, one certified as a B Corp, 9 advancing toward corporate sustainability.



# VISION FOR THE FUTURE

# 500,000 hectares

our 10-year protection goal, with USD 25 million already secured through the Choco Andes Network. CATALOGUE OUR CONTRIBUTION

# OUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE COUNTRY

Our commitment is to the future of Ecuador. Therefore, our working model is designed to contribute directly to the strategic goals that the country has established before the international community and in its own legislation. We are an active ally in the nation's success.



# **CLIMATE CHANGE**

We contribute to Ecuador's emission reduction goals. The mitigation of more than 16,000 tC02e in 2024 alone, through the conservation of 2,400 hectares, is a measurable contribution to the goals of the "Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry" (LULUCF) sector, the most relevant for the country.

# SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

We support entrepreneurship in 14 communities, generating more than USD \$81,000 in income in 2024, strengthening the national development model that seeks to create economic prosperity in harmony with nature.

#### **BIODIVERSITY**

La protección legal de las 3,237.02 hectáreas del Refugio de Vida Silvestre Mashpi-Tayra y del Bosque Protector Mashpi, junto con nuestro trabajo en biocorredores, representa una contribución tangible a las metas nacionales de conservación de ecosistemas y especies amenazadas, en plena sintonía con los compromisos globales asumidos por el Ecuador.

# **OUR CONTRIBUTION**

### **TO GLOBAL GOALS**

Based on our deep commitment to sustainable development and our pragmatic approach, we view our sustainability strategy as a driver of shared value and a catalyst for innovation within our business ecosystem. We believe the alignment between our values and our actions must be communicated transparently. We understand these actions allow us to contribute to building a regenerative economy and guide us in making better business and investment decisions that positively impact society.

We manage risks and opportunities guided by ESG (Environmental, Social, and Governance) guidelines. These guidelines reflect international best practices and are closely aligned with the requirements of the OECD, the European Union, multilateral banks, and other sustainable investors.

We fully support the United Nations' 2030 Agenda for Systainable Development and consider the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as an important benchmark to guide our sustainability priorities and how we address them

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL**













#### SOCIAL













#### **GOVERNANCE / ECONOMIC**













### LOCAL INNOVATION, **GLOBAL IMPACT**

### **OUR CONTRIBUTION TO ECUADOR**

CLIMATE ACTION AND NDCs

Contribution to Ecuador's NDCs with

+109,481 tCO<sub>2</sub>e

5,820.02 hectares

conserved and restored



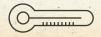
### **OUR CONTRIBUTION TO GLOBAL GOALS**

GO ,	SDG 13: CLIMATE ACTION Emission reduction and ecosystem resilience.
<u></u>	SDG 15: LIFE OF LAND Native forest conservation and restoration; species protection.
	ODS 12: RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION Sustainable bio-enterprises with local communities.
	ODS 17: PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS Public-private collaboration with territorial and global impact.



# KUNMING-MONTREAL GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY FRAMEWORK:

Contribution to conserving 30% of terrestrial ecosystems and restoring degraded ecosystems. Mobilization of innovative financing.



### Paris Agreement (1.5 °C):

Concrete actions: 100% mitigation of Grupo Futuro's footprint; 109,481 tC02e offset; 5,820.02 hectares under conservation as carbon sinks.

Futuro demonstrates that global goals are achieved through local innovation, genuine partnerships, and sustained commitment.

# PARTNERSHIPS FOR ACTION

We invite companies a media to collaborate, co-create and scale this model.

Our work boosts towards an innovative sustainable vision in Ecuador, recognizing the primary role of the host communities.

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