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ARGENTINA		
	Asociacion Civil Conciencia Ambiental	Students from schools and kindergartens that are associated with the awareness raising program of waste separation "Programa Punta Ovillo" worked to address related topics displayed in the Velasco Plaza, Buenos Aires on September 15. The event was attended by students, parents, teachers, employees from the Public Service Regulator and recycling entities. Not only did this event help to raise awareness about environmental preservation, it also helped to awaken the spirit of solidarity between the various members and bodies of the community. Students began the Punta Ovillo Program with very little knowledge of the topic of waste management however they have been converted into educators of their families in this area.
	Asociacion Patrimonio Natural	On the 23rd of September the Asociación Patrimonio Natural carried out a clean up in the Pilar Natural Reserve. With the support of the municipality and the local waste collection service, 60 volunteers collected 3.5 tonnes of waste separating the glass and metal for recycling. The Reserve is a space dedicated to the protection of biodiversity in the Pampas grasslands and associated ecosystems. It is an area of 300 hectares and is situated 6km from the banks of Lujan River. It contains streams, lakes and 155 species of birds. On September 23, the group also awarded the winners of the photography competition "The Four Seasons of the Pilar Natural Reserve". Local support provided by: Transur.
	Cuerpo de Guarda Ambiente Honorario Municipal	Cuerpo de Guarda held 2 clean ups in the CPC de Villa el Libertador. The first was held on May 13 when 300kgs of waste was collected; the second was carried out on September 23 when 500kgs was collected. Both events included an awareness raising campaign and both received local media coverage. On September 29 with the participation of 50 children, they ran an education activity called "From Grey to Colour". Education workshops for children were also held throughout the year. Cuerpo de Guarda noticed significant changes in environmental behaviors amongst these children. At the beginning of the year, their environmental habits were inappropriate. Throughout the year they began to modify their behaviors independently organising clean ups of the plazas and suburbs.
	Eco Club, Escuela 436	The first project carried out by the Eco Club, School 436 was called "Water, a resource in danger". Students learnt about the importance of saving water and created educational signs that were placed in the school and community. The second project on WED saw the students visit radio stations to teach listeners about environmental matters such as the importance of not littering or burning waste. The club also gave these talks to the rest of the student body.
	Escuadra Jesuitica Santa Maria Gendarmeria Infantil	In Concepcion de la Sierra on May 13, the Escuadra Jesuitica Santa Maria Gendarmeria Infantil held an event celebrating both Earth Day and Native Forest Day. They participated in radio interviews calling for participants to enter a drawing competition. They received 170 entries. They also planted native trees and held talks to raise awareness of the environmental consequences of deforestation and forest fires.
	Escuadra Lago del Desierto de la Gendarmeria Infantil	A clean up of the Nimez Lagoon and surrounding areas was held with the participation of 52 children and 20 staff from the Desert Lake Squadron to help re-establish the native vegetation and to create a clean area for the birds to reproduce. The volunteers collected 20kgs of waste despite the freezing weather. The Escuadra del Desierto also registered their activity on the official UNEP WED website and their activities also received attention from local print, television and radio media. Local support provided by: Calafate Squadron 42, Fernandez Campell.
	Escuela Maria Josefa Gonzalez Casero	Escuela Maria Josefa Gonzalez Casero continued with its school radio program offering monthly updates on its environmental campaigns as well as environmental advice, news and interviews. In the first few months of the year students planted trees on the school grounds reinforcing the current vegetation. Parents were able to attend workshops at the school, learning how to create vegetable gardens in their homes and each season they received seeds from the school. Together with the municipality students planted trees around the local riverside recreational area and managed to recover the area for recreational use. These students then went on to become Environmental Brigade Leaders who will teach students from other schools about environmentally friendly practices. The school is also carrying out information talks with various specialists presenting on such topics as sustainable water usage.
	Escuela Primaria (EPB) No 4 Distrito Maipu	In an effort to combat littering in the rural community of Gral. Madariaga, students of the primary school Escuela Primaria No 4 Distrito Maipu and their teacher erected 2 anti littering signs near the canal. The signs helped to educate the community about the effects of waste in the environment and resulted in a cleaner canal in 2006.



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	Fundacion AVES	<p>Fundación AVES called upon educational institutes to join them to celebrate Earth Day in April. A total of 17 schools created their own environmental proposals that included ways in which students believed their schools and communities could modify behaviours to help the environment. A representative from each school attended a session on WED in the municipal council where the 17 students discussed and amended their proposals. These students selected Peace Ambassadors who then attended a conference on water in the national senate in Buenos Aires on September 15. Minas school promoted CUW by creating a float which paraded in the National Students Festival in September. A crowd of 30,000 students watched a float that tried to educate observers about the environmental issues concerning the state of Jujuy. The float represented a forest scene that changed from beautiful to a scene of polluted rivers, dead animals and fallen trees. Other students carried out a clean up in different locations throughout the city and planted native trees.</p>
	Fundacion Patagonia Natural	<p>Within the protected area of El Doradillo 9 beaches were cleaned up. El Doradillo is situated on the Chubut coastline. It is a very important breeding area for Southern Right Whales. There were 100 volunteers from the community, schools and organisations that participated. They collected 15 containers of waste including 8 containers of scrap metals. The waste was 20 percent paper, 20 percent glass and 20 percent plastic. The volunteers were delighted with their efforts and the campaign and surprised at the unusual items found. The Municipality's Tourism Secretary, the Conservation and Protected Area Management and the Peninsula Valdes Administration also helped to organise the event. The volunteers and secretary staff were thrilled with the results. They want to repeat the activity more often in smaller areas so that they can be cleaned more thoroughly, and to create the custom of maintaining a clean society.</p>
	Fundacion Reserva Natural - Puerto Mar del Plata	<p>On June 5, the Fundacion Reserva Natural celebrated the opening of its headquarters from which they will manage the reserve. It will also act as the visitor's reception centre and an area where they can run workshops. The Fundacion Reserva Natural - Puerto Mar del Plata invited the Municipality and Environmental Policy Secretary to the inaugural event along with other special guests. A total of 15 volunteers assisted. A plaque was awarded to the Fire Brigade of Prefectura Naval Argentina in appreciation for their work in the community. The event also included the release of a rescued Coipo (aquatic mammal) into the reserve.</p>
	Grupo Ecológico "Sendero Ambiental"	<p>On October 27, Grupo Ecológico Sendero Ambiental carried out talks in various schools and a clean up of 2 areas of Cerro de la Cruz. A total of 2 truckloads of waste were collected and later transferred by council to the local dump. Throughout the month of October awareness raising activities, talks, clean ups and reforestation activities were held in Las Ovejas and El Cholar. A reforestation project saw 8,000 native trees planted. Volunteers that participated in these events came from schools, the volunteer fire fighting service, environmental groups and police services. The activities received local media coverage from newspapers, radio and television. Local support provided by: Cámara de Comercio local, Zona Sanitaria III, Bromatología Municipal, Escuadrón 30 de Gendarmería Nacional Argentina.</p>
	Instituto Adelia Maria	<p>From July to November the Institute ran investigations, productions and broadcasts regarding local environmental problems. Through their campaign they raised awareness about securing and maintaining potable water. It also focused on teaching people about the correct usage of agrochemicals. On November 25 they held a clean up during which 200 students and 20 staff collected 600kgs.</p>
	Jardin de Infantes No 118	<p>From March the Jardin de Infantes No 118 participated in a school driven paper recycling program. The kindergarten collects, classifies and separates the paper from the rest of the waste with the help of families and the mothers club. In May, the kindergarten planted trees in a green space designated by the municipality. In August, they commemorated the Day of the Tree by spreading messages about the importance of trees. The 5 year olds visited schools and local television and radio programs to talk about CUW. They were accompanied by their mascot "VERDINO" who is a green dinosaur. The kindergarten also carried out educational activities with recycled material including the creation of environmental messages to place in their homes.</p>
	Manos Limpias	<p>Manos Limpias organised various environmental education activities. On May 12 and June 7 they ran workshops in schools focusing on the correct handling of used batteries. On June 5 they carried out a seminar in the Cultural Participation Centre Benito Quinquela Martin which focused on the theme "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle". At the Kindergarten 907, they carried out an educational puppet show. To celebrate CUW Weekend in September, they held clean up activities in order to be able to create green spaces. Assisting with these activities were the students from the 501 school who make up the Green Brigade of Hurlingham and the Hurlingham's Gardiner's Club who designed the green space. Local support provide by: el Vivero Municipal.</p>
	Secretaria del Agua y del Ambiente	<p>On September 13, a clean up was held in the School 29 Autonomia de Catamarca, Nueva Coneta Capayán involving school staff, students, parents and a delegation from Huillapima Municipality. All sporting, green and recreational areas were cleaned. On September 15 there was a clean up of School Number 9 in Nueva Coneta. On the September 17 they conducted a general clean up of the Dique el Jumeal. They also held a concert with local artists. Local support provided by: local council, the Cultural Secretary.</p>



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	Torresolar SRL	
		Torresolar SRL organised a photography and children's drawing competition in September through their website under the banner of CUW. A total of 80 entries were received with 20 of these receiving prizes. The entries focused on the importance of maintaining a healthy environment. The winners received a certificate of participation and a book of art and poetry. Directing people to Torresolar SRL's website meant visitors were able to explore other information relating to the conservation of the environment.
	Trazo Verde	
		On September 13, CUW was promoted through Trazo Verde's environmental program series on children's television. They also launched the "Environmental October" campaign asking children to send in posters with environmental messages.
	Other Member(s) in ARGENTINA:	
	Clear SRL	
	Colegios Ingeniero Victor Ree & Ricardo Rojas & Marina Waisman & Madres Escolapias	
	COMIES (Comision Interministerial de Educacion y Salud)	
	E-4075 P.V.Amieva	
	ECOMANIA	
	Escuadron 38 - RIO MAYO	
	Estacion Biologica de la Reserva Natural Yacutinga	
	Geo Juvenil La Rioja Argentina	
	Instituto de IFD No 6	
	Instituto Don Bosco-Ramos Mejia	
	Instituto Martin Rivadavia	
	JoTA (Jovenes Tucumanos Ambientalistas)	
	Nautico Escobar Country Club	
	Proyecto Tucuman SRL	
	BOLIVIA	
	Asociacion de Scouts de Bolivia	
		Scouts groups throughout Bolivia joined with organisations to carry out a variety of activities including environmental awareness fairs, distribution of environmentally-friendly bags to local residents, clean up campaigns, creation of art pieces made from waste products, displays of information relating to the environment, paper recycling activities and classification and reuse of waste. The clean ups revitalised the areas surrounding Guadalquivir River and one of the most affluent areas of Cochabamba. The company responsible for urban cleaning noted the lack of waste bins in these areas and realised how people are accustomed to throwing their waste on the streets. The local councils also realised the importance of raising awareness amongst its members in order for them to act as agents of change. Residents who participated in the activities learned how waste can be reduced, reused and recycled instead of accumulating in the environment and creating unhealthy living conditions. Local support provided by: Proyecto Integrado de la Cuenca del Rio Pilcomayo, PROMETA, FABIA, TIGO, Vinos ARANJUEZ, Cascada de Sur, PERTT, Universidad Católica Boliviana San Pablo, Universidad Autónoma Juan Misael Caracho, Periódico Nuevo Sur, VIVE, EMAT, H. Alcaldía Municipal, Asociación Sucrense de Ecología, Club juntos por la Tierra, Proyecto Calidad de Vida, Empresa Municipal de Aseo Urbano Sucre, Club de Leones, Rotarios.
	Other Member(s) in BOLIVIA:	
	Fundacion Apachita	
	Grupo Scout Mafeking	
	BRAZIL	
	Associacao Acacia Pingo d'Ouro	
		On September 17, to celebrate CUW Weekend, 20 volunteers from Acácia Pingo d'Ouro participated in a beach clean up. Another beach clean up was held on November 12 by 8 volunteers. Common types of waste found included: plastic bags, bottles, wrappers, straws, cigarette butts, wire, peanut shells and fruit peel. Volunteers spoke with people on the beach about the litter problem as residents in the area often don't believe it is their responsibility to clean up the outdoor environment. The volunteers used information from CUW and the analogy "The world is our home" to encourage people to think about the shared responsibility of conserving the environment. The CUW campaign has been placed on the city calendar thanks to a partnership between the City Government Urban Cleaning Branch and Coca Cola.



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	Canto Ecológico	<p>To celebrate CUW Weekend Canto Ecológico once again joined the eco group Sementes do Viver at their local beach for a clean up and then on the following day they cleaned their own local beach with a group of young students. Canto Ecológico are continually striving to educate the youth and citizens of the island how to live in balance with nature.</p>
	Colégio Santo Américo	<p>Several clean up events were held throughout the year collecting a total of 12 tonnes of waste. The waste was classified and the recyclable material sold. The money received was used to support several community projects in underprivileged neighbourhoods surrounding the school. All students participated in the collection and separation of the waste and then went home to teach the practice to their families. Many environmental educational activities were developed and run through the school subjects of geography, english and computer studies. Some students have now begun to question government public policies.</p>
	Ecosurfi	<p>On September 18, 190 volunteers including the Department of Environment from the Itanhaém Municipality and the Forest Institute/SMA cleaned up an area of 1.9km including an island in Itanhaém, São Paulo. These locations included Sonho Beach, Pescadores Beach, Saudade Beach, the coast of Prainha, Cabras Island and Sonho Beach. A total of 480kgs of waste was collected which was made up of 3,627 items of waste. The volunteers also planted 39 native trees. The clean ups were concentrated along the rocky coast, water inlets, sand banks and dunes. Potential problems for public health were detected. Plastic bags containing stagnant water were found in large quantities encouraging the proliferation of dengue fever. There were also large amounts of broken bottles and glass found.</p>
	Grupo Escoteiro do Sul - 21/RS	<p>The scouts group and their families cleaned 2 plazas on September 20 with 50 volunteers collecting 1 tonne of waste. They later launched a campaign to reduce the use of plastic bags. One of these plazas is situated close to the river which provides the city's drinking water. Removing waste from the plaza will prevent it ending up in the river.</p>
	Koka Sub Dive Centre	<p>Koka Sub Dive Centre held beach clean ups on September 23 and 24 on Ilha Grande in the state of Rio de Janeiro. At Passaterra Beach they cleaned the beach and underwater. They also ran workshops for local residents and children. Working over a quarter of a mile, 25 divers and 15 other volunteers collected 100kgs of waste. Items collected included plastic bottles, car batteries, cigarette butts, straws and plastic cutlery. A new problem in the area is the discarding of construction material such as bricks and cement bags as correct removal of these materials is expensive. Koka Sub Dive Centre tried to make local residents aware of the impact this can have on the fauna and flora such as the seahorses and seaweed.</p>
	ONG OCEÂNICA Pesquisa, Educação e Conservação	<p>Clean up events were held at Ponta Negra and Maracajaú beaches and the Arituba lagoon. On August 30 and September 13, 58 volunteers attended a lecture learning about the CUW campaign and about why beaches should be kept clean. The clean ups involved 200 volunteers who managed to collect a total of 450kgs of waste. The waste was separated and the recyclable materials were donated to the waste collectors while the non recyclable waste was collected by the city's waste collection service. These events helped to bring the issue of environmental conservation to the attention of the City Hall. Local support provided by: Ecocil, Maracajaú Diving, Laboratório do Oceano/UFRN, IDEMA, PROMAR, Mad Dogs, Gaia Consultoria Ambiental e bar Mormaço.</p>
	Programa TV Na Praia - On the Beach Program	<p>Limpeza Na Praia Project, Instituto Ecológico Aqualung (IEA) and Programa Na Praia "On the Beach Program" organised many clean ups on September 16 in celebration of CUW Weekend. In the city of Rio de Janeiro (RJ) 14 beaches were cleaned including the famous beaches of Copacabana and Ipanema. Lagoons and rivers were also cleaned. Other locations in RJ state that were cleaned included 8 beaches in Cabo Frio, 2 beaches in Búzios, and other beaches in Petrópolis and Saquarema. A total of 1,495 volunteers collected a total of 17.5 tonnes of waste. Meanwhile 1,149 other volunteers collected 8.4 tonnes of waste from lakes and beaches in Salvador, Barra Grande, Brasília, Vitória and Recife. Live footage of the clean ups was broadcasting throughout Brazil by the Programa Ressoar, Rede Record. Programa Na Praia also ran events to mark WED. These events concentrated on working with public and private schools, universities and sport organisations with the main objective to promote environment education. The Campaign took place at many RJ beaches and other beaches of Brazil. A total of 393 volunteers collected nearly 4 tonnes of rubbish and distributed education material to the people in streets. The rubbish collected was sorted and reused by cooperatives and recycling institutions. Local support provided by: RJRefrescos / Coca-Cola, Prefeitura e Secretaria de Meio Ambiente e Pesca de Cabo Frio, Secretaria de Planejamento e Meio Ambiente de Búzios, AMA Geribá, JW Marriott Hotel RJ, Sheraton Barra Hotel, Intercontinental Hotel, Hotéis Marina, ANTILHAS, EcoAtitude, Caenge Ambiental, Secretaria de Meio Ambiente da Prefeitura RJ, Outback SteakHouse, Amigança Produções, Aqualittera, Programa Na Praia, ABIH-RJ, Produtora Supervideo, Ong Jogue Limpo Bahia, Toulon, Ong Gdasi, Secretaria de Meio Ambiente de São Pedro D'Aldeia, Prefeitura do Recife, Projeto Orla Recife, Restaurante Kotobuki, Rede Accor, Secretaria de Proteção aos Animais - Prefeitura RJ, Ong Lagoa Viva, Rio Voluntário, Federação de Bandeirantes do Brasil, Jeep Tour, ABIH-RJ, Rede Record Responsabilidade Social, Instituto Ressoar, Ong Amigos da Praia, Ong Defensores da Terra, Prefeitura e Secretaria de Meio Ambiente de Petrópolis.</p>



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Projeto Araras

Projeto Araras ran a clean up festival from September 16-30. On the first day the clean up teams departed from the Anglican College and went to various locations throughout the suburb where they cleaned the streets and rivers. Removing waste from the rivers means flooding will no longer occur during summer storms. During the festival expositions, theatre and films were held in the local shopping centre which stimulated debate and reflection on environmental issues. Presenters included a library group who presented a play called "Waste in the Sea", a group called Rainbow that performed a play called "Collect, Select and Recycle", and stands and exhibitions were run by Projeto Araras, the Secretary of Agriculture, the Secretary of the Environment, Comdep and REBIO. The film "Estamira" by Marcos Prado was also shown. The opening ceremony of the festival included the awarding of a prize to the winner of the festival slogan competition.

Local support provided by: Comdep, Bramil Supermarkets and Shopping Estação Araras.

Rodrigo Esteves Ribeiro

In October, a clean up event was held at Ponta Negra Beach, Manaus, located in the Amazon. A total of 80 volunteers collected over 1 tonne of waste which consisted of 25 percent glass, 10 percent metal, 35 percent plastic and 20 percent organic waste. The event was held in conjunction with local universities. The group's main aim was to increase awareness and to make people more responsible for their environment and community.

Local support provided by: Tape Publicidade, Grupo VDA, Prefeitura de Manaus, Uninorte, UEA, O Laranjinha Bar.

Sementes do Viver

During the week of WED, bins were donated to Sementes do Viver which they decorated and placed in suitable areas on the island. They also placed signs with environmental messages around the island. In celebration of the CUW Weekend, children from the island carried out a theatrical performance with "Mother Nature" as the theme. Sementes do Viver ran a clean up of their local beach and mangrove area where volunteers collected 1 tonne of waste. Suitable waste was then sent to a recycling depot. These activities were featured in a television program on SBT TV in the state of Bahia. Sementes do Viver were pleased that activities involving children lead to the participation of their families in the activities and that it gave the families a reason to become interested in environmental issues.

Local support provided by: FETAG/BA.

Universidade do Vale do Itajaí - Univali

In the municipalities of Itajaí and Balneário Camboriú, situated in the state of Santa Catarina, the CUW campaign was launched by the Laboratory of Waste Appreciation Management of the Vale Itajaí University. During 4 hours on September 16, 120 volunteers cleaned Itajaí's Brava Beach and Camboriú River situated in Balneário Camboriú. The volunteers collected 27 bags of waste from the river while almost 320 tonnes were collected from the beach. The most common items of waste found on the beach included straws and glass bottles. Not only did these activities help to clean the environment but these also assisted in educating those involved about the environment.

Other Member(s) in BRAZIL:

Associação Ambiental Parque Ecologico Recanto do Aracua

Care Brasil

Escola Gaucha de Surf

Escola Municipal de Ensino Fundamental 21 de Abril (EMEF)

Espaco Cultural Frans Krajcberg

Federacao de Bandeirantes do Brasil

FE-Social - Federacion de ONG's de la Isla de Itaparica e region

Grupo Escoteiro Arno Friedrich

Organizacao socio-ambientalista Pro-Mar

Partido Verde

CHILE

Escuela Basica Sara Cortes

Escuela Sara Cortés is a government certified environment school situated in the Atacama Desert. Its mission is to form environmentally responsible students and to undertake environmental activities continuously. This year an activity of great importance was the creation of compost using domestic waste. With the compost students planted trees and some pulses that act as a source of study. With the assistance of the municipality, the school removed 50 truck loads of contaminated soil due to the presence of mining operations in previous years. In its place, children planted 150 trees with the school's compost. Students also recycled materials such as aluminium cans, bags, plastic bottles, cardboard and paper which they are able to sell. Students participated in two regional recycling competitions in which they gained first and second placements.

Local support provided by: Comisión Nacional del Medio Ambiente, (CONAMA).



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	Red Nacional de Ecoclubes	Youth from the Red Nacional de Ecoclubes together with their local alliances and with the help of local government carried out 15 activities which involved 2,550 participants. The activities included clean ups, recovery and improvement of public spaces and awareness raising. From 14 of the activities, 55kgs of waste were collected. These activities have contributed to reconfirm a sense of belonging, community identity and lead to a more responsible use of public spaces.
	Other Member(s) in CHILE:	
	AVISTA	
	Red Ambiental Ciudadana de Osorno	
	Unidad de Medio Ambiente	
	COLOMBIA	
	Asociacion Civica por Colombia - Ecologica	In and around the Villagorgona Market Square, Asociacion Civica por Colombia - Ecologica celebrated Earth Day planting trees and removing waste. A mural was created to raise awareness about maintaining a clean environment since the Market Square is an area that lacks proper waste management.
	Club Amigos de la Ecología	On April 22, Club Amigos de la Ecologia held a clean up of the local parks. They ran a workshop for children about global environmental issues and set goals for the local community to follow regarding the reduction of pollution. Individuals and groups signed the "Good Faith Pact with the Environment" which symbolised their commitment to follow environmental policies. To celebrate WED Club Amigos de la Ecología together with volunteers, collected organic material from homes and parks in the suburb of Sabana de Tibabuyes that was later used for compost and organic fertilizer. They also collected paper, cardboard, glass, plastics and discarded construction materials from these areas that were taken to recycling depots. The group held talks with the Environmental Police and ran an environmental education workshop for children. They also created a forum about the environmental impact of domestic solid waste. A total of 1,200 citizens came from the suburb of Sabana de Tibabuyes and 700 others from neighbouring suburbs, to clean their streets and parks over CUW Weekend. The success of the "Good Faith Pact with the Environment" has meant that now there is much less waste to remove. With the Aqueduct company, they completed maintenance work of 4km of Bogota's sewerage system and drains, from which they collected 4 tonnes of debris.
	Organizacion para la Educacion y Proteccion Ambiental - OpEPA	This year OpEPA coordinated the efforts of 15 groups in 5 areas of Colombia. A total of 2,033 volunteers collected approximately 11 tonnes of waste. Police, environmental entities, cleaning consortiums, schools, institutions and civil defence bodies also participated in the clean up activities. The cleaning took place at beaches, valleys, parks and streets. Some murals were also painted as a reminder of the events, and as a way to generate awareness amongst local communities. The clean up campaigns gave volunteers a renewed sense of community involvement and in some cases children visited locations for the first time. Some groups set goals relating to working for their communities on a regular basis. OpEPA also assisted in another 3 clean up campaigns driven by Exxon Mobil and Coca Cola. These clean ups resulted in the collection of nearly 6 tonnes of waste from 14 locations throughout Colombia.
	Other Member(s) in COLOMBIA:	
	Corporacion el Andinista	
	ECOAMBIENTALES DEL TROPICO "ECOTROPICO"	
	Fundación de Promotores Ambientales de Cordoba	
	Fundacion Ideales - Gimnasio Santa Ana	
	Fundación Marentes	
	Grupo Scout Yari 25, colegio San Bartolemé la Merced	
	INCOR	
	Observatorio Ecologico y Ambiental para America Latina - Coepal - A Limpiar el mundo Colombia	
	OCOTEA Organizacion Ambiental	
	OIKOS	
	Verde Positivo	



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COSTA RICA		
	Asociacion para la Integracion y la Accion Regional (ACIAR)	<p>In the province of Guanacaste 2 beach clean up events were held in September. At Playa Brasilito 70 volunteers participated and another 100 volunteers cleaned Playa Conchal, one of Costa Rica's most visited beaches. On both days volunteers began the activities listening to why it is important to keep the beaches clean, what recycling is and how to classify waste. The recyclable materials were later sent for recycling at the Conchal Reserve Collection Centre. Amongst the volunteers were children from the Brasilito School and their parents, workers from the Conchal Reserve and individuals from Playa Brasilito's Environmental Blue Flag Committee, Santa Cruz Municipality, the Hotel Paradisus Playa Conchal and CEPIA.</p> <p>On September 16 in 4 Reinas, San José volunteers carried out a door to door collection of recyclable materials while in Puntarenas 80 volunteers carried out a beach clean up event collecting 4 tonnes of waste from Playa Cocal where international cruise ships dock. On October 7, at Lemon Port on the Caribbean Sea 100 volunteers collected 5 tonnes of waste including 50kgs of plastic and 3kgs of aluminium.</p> <p>Local support provided by: Reserva Conchal, Instituto Costarricense de Turismo, Ministro de Turismo, Puntarenas local government, JAPDEVA.</p>
	Colegio Ambientalista El Roble de Alajuela	<p>Colegio Ambientalista El Roble held 2 environmental days. The first occurred in July when green areas and the streets of 5 communities were cleaned. Waste was collected and trees planted. Classroom walls were washed and painted. The activities attracted the help of 1,200 students, 50 teachers and 30 community members. The second day of activities occurred on September 13 with the objective of protecting natural resources in a sustainable manner. Students ran stalls from which they sold medicinal plants and fruit trees which they had grown themselves, and natural food products which had been made from these plants. An indigenous group participated in the event by selling their handicrafts and performing a cultural act.</p>
	Mata Redonda Recicla	<p>The clean up campaign run by Mata Redonda Recicla made up part of another campaign which focuses on environmental awareness raising and capacity building for the suitable management of solid waste in Hatillo. Various state institutions and private businesses form this commission. Teachers, students and members of the community participated in 3 capacity building workshops which were aimed at raising awareness of waste management practices. Community meetings were also organised to appoint groups of vigilance to prevent the dumping of waste in the streets. The meetings also helped to initiate recycling and waste reduction programs. Everyone who was involved in these meetings and workshops united on September 29 to carry out a street clean up. They collected 345kgs of waste.</p>
	Other Member(s) in COSTA RICA:	
	Asociación de Guías y Scouts de Costa Rica	
CUBA		
	Centro de Investigaciones de Ecosistemas Costeros (CIEC)	<p>CIEC carried out 3 clean ups. The first commemorated WED and saw volunteers remove waste from the access road to Playa Larga. Another clean up occurred in the centre of the city emphasising the need to dispose of waste correctly to avoid the presence of disease carrying organisms. A large clean up was carried out September 15 in celebration of CUW Weekend. A total of 244 volunteers collected 759kgs of waste consisting of mainly plastic, glass, carton and metal. Areas cleaned included the surrounding areas of the hotels, El Bagá Natural Park, Emprestur, the beach and the beach's access road. Local and state radio and television covered the event. Support was received from the administrations and staff of the local hotels in particular the Hotel Sol Guillermo and Meliá Cayo Guillermo.</p> <p>Local support provided by: Hotel Sol Guillermo, Meliá Cayo Guillermo.</p>
	Gobierno Municipal de Playa	<p>For Earth Day, Angela Corvea Martinez represented the Gobierno Municipal De Playa at the Eliseo Reyes school where she gave a talk about CUW and their council's campaign, "Save your Piece". She then guided a group of students to the mangroves where they conducted a clean up. Another talk was given on WED and at 2pm the school carried out a clean up on the coast. The municipality held a WED event at the aquarium where they recognised the great efforts of Angela Corvea to educate the public about CUW and the environment. On September 30, a clean up event took place in Playa with hundreds of children learning about the environment and collecting marine debris along the coast.</p>
	Parque Nacional Jardines de la Reina	<p>This year the Parque Nacional Jardines de la Reina conducted a variety of activities in the Júcaro community including removal of waste and weeds from green areas and vacant land, waste collection days, recycling and water saving projects, pest eradication, tree planting, a coastal clean up, and talks with community leaders, teachers, children and community members about CUW. Activities were conducted every weekend running from WED in June until CUW Weekend in September linking both occasions to the topic of Desertification. These activities involved 354 volunteers throughout the year. During the clean ups and waste collection days 1.4 tonnes of waste were collected. This year residents were much more aware of retaining recyclable materials until the appropriate collection days.</p> <p>Local support provided by: Administración del Parque Nacional Jardines de la Reina, Centro de Investigaciones de Ecosistemas Costeros, Administración del Refugio de Fauna Cayos de Ana María, Ministerio de Ciencia, Tecnología y Medio Ambiente, Ministerio de Educación.</p>



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S/B Manuel Permuy Hernandez

S/B Manuel Permuy Hernández school carried out 6 principle activities. In January they organised a municipal student reunion focusing on the environment which 71 students and teachers attended. In May, in collaboration with the University of Havana, a student workshop focused on endemic birds and their importance. With the support of the school's industrial design classes, a workshop was run on the reuse of materials in April. In celebration of WED, 38 students and teachers participated in clean up activities in the Reserva Ecológica from June 2-4. As a part of CUW Weekend in September, 30 volunteers worked to clean up Cachón Beach. To conclude the year's activities, World Habitat Day was celebrated on October 3 in the school with the presence of a UN Habitat representative. The school has also continuously recycled plastics, cardboard, glass, aluminium and other metals, helping to decrease the amount of waste in their community.

Other Member(s) in CUBA:

CITMA (Ministerio de Ciencia, Tecnología y Medio Ambiente en el municipio Bolivia, Ciego de Avila,)

Ecologia para la Comunidad (ECCO)

Escuela William Soler

Foro de Medio Ambiente Dr Jorge Ramon Cuevas

International School of Havana

Revista Juventud Tecnica

EL SALVADOR

La Ruta del Zapamiche

La Ruta del Zapamiche carried out 3 large clean ups and 19 other smaller scale activities. To mark Earth Day in April, locals and tourists cleaned several beaches on the islands of Meanguera del Golfo, Zacatillo, Martín Pérez and Conchaguita. Approximately 3 tonnes of waste was collected and later transported to the mainland for recycling. On the same day the volunteers planted native trees on the islands. On September 13 a turtle nursery was built and school children, together with locals, undertook a clean up of Majahual Beach on Meanguera Island. They collected 1 tonne of bottles and plastic bags. During CUW Weekend in September, students and locals from the Island of Meanguera del Golfo cleaned Majahual Beach collecting 2 tonnes of plastic waste. La Ruta del Zapamiche, an ecotourism company ran 19 tours this year and on each of these they insisted that the tourists participate in a clean up activity, and also return to the main land with all the waste that they personally produced on tour. The year culminated on November 5 with the release of 400 baby Golfina turtles from the nursery.

Other Member(s) in EL SALVADOR:

Los Cobanos village lodge

MEXICO

AJIJIC LIMPIO

Ajijic Limpio organised clean up campaigns in January, March and June, uniting 1,200 volunteers who collected waste from the streets, waste land areas and the Lago de Chapala Beach. Now with less waste in the streets and on the beach, pollution of the ground and water has reduced considerably helping to conserve the Lago de Chapala, Mexico's largest lake. Ajijic Limpio's presence at traditional festivals such as Independence Day and Revolution Day has helped people to reduce waste usually accumulated during these public events. The Grupo Inmobiliario del Lago and council purchased and installed 290 waste bins in the streets and recreation areas throughout the town. The group also started a compost pilot program in which a door to door collection service collects green waste. The project hopes to generate natural fertilizer which can be used on local crops and which means fewer pollutants reach the lake.

Local support provided by: Grupo Inmobiliario del Lago, local Council.

Departamento de Agroecología de la UAAAN

From March 25 to November 18, the Departamento de Agroecología de la UAAAN carried out 20 clean ups in the university grounds. On each occasion an average of 20 volunteers assisted and in total 3 tonnes of waste were collected. Half of the collected waste was added to compost and then to worm farms. On September 23, 60 volunteers participated in the CUW campaign, "Clean Up Torreón", collecting 1 tonne of waste. Amongst the university students an action group has formed that maintains the university grounds and also promotes the planting of native species in local urban areas.

Departamento de Ecología Municipal

On October 21, the Departamento de Ecología and 230 students from different schools in La Mira cleaned 2km of beach from the Pichi Bar to the town of Playa Azul. They collected 2.3kgs of waste. On September 24 the Departamento de Ecología initiated a clean up campaign in the Lázaro Cardena municipality in Michoacan called " Clean Up the Turtle Camp - Pichi Bar". The staff from the camp participated in the clean up with the help of the Municipal's cleaning department and their 8 tonne truck. They cleaned up 300 metres of beach and later released turtles.



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	Dirección de Ecología, Gómez Palacio, DGO	Dirección de Ecología, Gómez Palacio carried out a campaign called "CUW cleans Gómez Palacio" on September 22. A total of 56 education groups participated cleaning the insides and outsides of their schools. Teachers, parents and students from 7 communities also cleaned their local plazas. Local sponsors assisted by providing the volunteers with brooms, gloves, waste bags and collection services. The municipality offered those schools who participated in the clean ups construction material for the creation of pavements. The Dirección de Ecología, Gómez Palacio also initiated a waste separation project. There will be collection centres in the schools for the recyclable materials. These materials will be collected by a company who in exchange will service the school's water systems. The campaign helped to create awareness in the public about caring for the environment. The adults and children who actively participated were convinced of their responsibility to care for the environment.
	FIVIPINCO - Fibra de Vidrio, Pintura, Industrial y Comercial	FIVIPINCO and the Environment Council of Torreón in Coahuila organised a series of events dedicated to CUW. A total of 10 staff members carried out a clean up that took place on September 23 in the outlying district of Raúl López Sanchez. They cleaned from Santa Fe Bridge to the Valle Verde community for several hours. After having participated annually in the CUW campaign, the FIVIPINCO staff have adopted a culture of care towards the environment which they pass on to their friends and family.
	H.Ayuntamiento de Zacapu	Volunteers from 9 education institutions assisted in a clean up of Zacapu Lake, Michoacán. The 200 students along with other volunteers from non government organizations removed 1 tonne of waste from the 5 most polluted areas of the lake. The waste collected was separated and removed for recycling. During the event the volunteers also planted trees on the banks of the lake.
	Juarez Limpio Asociacion Civil	Various education strategies were developed in order to promote values of cleanliness, order and environmental protection. These strategies consisted of a pilot schools program, a cleanest high school award granted by Juárez Council and the Council's Public Services Management, clean ups involving 1,500 volunteers throughout the city in celebration of CUW Weekend, an art festival focusing on environmental education, and a weekly column in the city's newspaper dedicated to teaching children about protecting the environment. Juárez Limpio Asociación Civil has been able to gather the efforts and support of the state educational authorities, the council, private industry and civil society. Together they develop programs with defined objectives and goals that promote sound values to the city's youth.
	Pro Defensa del Nazas AC	The CUW Weekend campaign was held in the Cañón de Fernández State Park located in the Chihuahuense Desert. Volunteers from scouts groups and schools located in the reserve cleaned up Nazas River which runs through this location. This helped to provide a cleaner habitat for turtles and fish. Prior to the clean up, volunteers learned about the separation of waste and about its impact on the environment. The group camped responsibly and on the Sunday began the clean up. The activities from the weekend initiated a recycling program that communities living in the park will continue.
	Reciclemos A.C	On October 13 Reciclemos A. C. carried out a clean up of Zacapu Lake, situated in Michoacán. A total of 200 volunteers participated in the clean up coming from schools, local businesses, and the general public. Divers also assisted in the clean up. The volunteers collected 1 tonne of waste including batteries and cosmetic packaging. RECICLEMOS A. C and divers from Mexico City also carried out a clean up of the Camécuaro Lake located in the National Park in Camécuaro Municipality, Michoacán. This event held on October 14 resulted in 100kgs being removed from the lake. The group's third clean up took place at the Mintzita Lake on October 21. Youth from the Ecologist Green Party and public service volunteers removed large quantities of fabric as the lake is often used by locals to wash their clothes.



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	Other Member(s) in MEXICO:	
	Acuario de Veracruz, A.C	
	Ayuntamiento de Ciudad Valles, San Luis Potosi	
	Club de ecologico y medio ambiente	
	COBAT Plantel 01	
	David Pena Hernández	
	DIF Nuevo León- Programa Desarrollo Integral del Adolescente	
	Dirección de Ecología del Municipio de Garcia Nuevo Leon	
	Dirección General del Medio Ambiente "Limpiemos Torreon"	
	Echame la mano, Limpiemos Zapopan	
	El patio de mi Casa	
	FSERSINSA GB SA de CV	
	Instituto de Historia Natural y Ecología	
	MUV (Movimiento de la Universidad Veracruzana)	
	Patrulla Verde	
	Presidencia Municipal de Patzcuaro	
	Programa Integral de Participacion Ciudadana por la Educacion Ambiental	
	Secretaria de Medio Ambiente y Recursos Naturales	
	Secundaria Tecnica del Estado Hermanos Flores Magon TM	
	NETHERLANDS ANTILLES	
	Scouting Antiano	
		A group of scouts aged between 5-18 years travelled by bus to a bay in the north of Curacao. In the past this location was used as a government waste disposal area which made the sea extremely dirty. The disposal of waste in the area was made illegal 10 years ago and since then scouts, schools and volunteer organisations have been cleaning up the area. Finally marine life and birds are returning to the location.
	NICARAGUA	
	Asociacion de Scouts de Nicaragua	
		On October 28, together with Bayer the Asociación de Scouts de Nicaragua held a clean up and planted 233 trees in the Coyotepe hills involving 90 Bayer employees and their families, as well as 89 scouts from the scouting groups of Managua. The Coyotepe hills cover 40 hectares and are part of the scouts' grounds. Local support provided by: Bayer.
	Ministerio del Ambiente y los Recursos Naturales (MARENA)	
		The environmental awareness actions driven by MARENA were aimed specifically at the problems associated with improper waste management and the contamination of water. MARENA worked in coordination with councils, the Ministry of Education, JICA, the Young Environmentalist Club, the Institute of Culture and the National Institute of Small and Medium Business to address these problems. This year they ran an awareness campaign "Don't throw waste from the bus window!" They lead celebrations during a week dedicated to the environment and natural resources under the slogan, "We won't turn Nicaragua into a desert". These celebrations included a market showcasing recycled and organic products, a photography exhibition displaying an Anthology of Nature; conferences held in universities throughout the country addressing the issue of environmental degradation and water management; a national Earth Festival in June with 42,000 participants and an award ceremony in which the President of Nicaragua presented Nagarote and Jinotepe the national award of Blue Council for their successful initiatives in the conservation and the preservation of the environment and the natural resources. Consequently there have been several changes in national policies and the creation of decrees in the environmental sector such as the formulation of the National Plan of Waste Eradication (PNEBA).
	Other Member(s) in NICARAGUA:	
	Grupo Empresarial de Hoteleros de Occidente -G.E.H.O	
	Secretaria de la Juventud	
	Voluntariado Social UPOLI	



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PANAMA		
	Carmen Lizarraga	
		Various local initiatives were undertaken as part of the "Clean Up Chiriquí 2006" campaign. The first phase involved an environmental education session which ran from August 8-18 that addressed students of physics, accounting, environmental science and natural resources, and primary education at the Autonomous University of Chiriquí. The second phase of the campaign ran from August 18 until September 13, and involved the dissemination of information to the authorities, NGOs, communities, schools and radio stations. The third phase of the campaign was undertaken during CUW Weekend. Rivers, ravines, streets, parks, patios and schools were cleaned in the districts of David, Boquete, Alanje and Bugaba. Chiriquí's Fire Brigade, the National Environment Authority, the Body of Peace, the Chiriquí Environmental Services, the International Rotary Club of Boquete, schools in San José Las Lomas, Pedregal, San Mateo, Guarumal, Los Pozitos, Manchuela and the Autonomous University of Chiriquí all participated in the event. Through the various activities students, communities and authorities were able to reflect upon their own consumption habits and were motivated to participate in the solution of the waste problem.
	Other Member(s) in PANAMA:	
	Asociacion Panama Verde	
PARAGUAY		
	AGRUJOLIAC (Agrupacion de jovenes lideres agrarios cooperativistas)	
		AGRUJOLIAC is a group of young leaders from an agricultural cooperative. This year they held 5 waste collections in 5 municipalities with the help of 105 volunteers that collected waste from the main city streets. AGRUJOLIAC also distributed 340 native plants mainly to education institutions as part of their reforestation project. In August they also planted 200 trees in Obligado City. They began a project which involves the elaboration of organic fertilizer using compost and worm farming. They trained 106 people in this practice and 20 of these trainees are now producing their own fertilizer to generate income. Many parents of these trainees are able to use the fertilizer on their Yerba Mate plants which is used as a national drink. Local support provided by: Cooperativa Colonias Unidas.
PERU		
	Agencia de Noticias Ecopress	
		On September 18, Agencia de Noticias Ecopress involved Peruvian TV personalities and singers in its second Clean Up the World campaign which was held in San Miguel. They called on the public to be conscious of water usage and not to litter or dump waste in public areas. Talks were given on environmental conservation and children participated in drawing activities. The editor of Agencia de Noticias Ecopress entered discussions with the private sector about its future involvement in education campaigns.
	Ambiente y Desarrollo (AMYDE)	
		On September 1, Ambiente y Desarrollo together with volunteers collected rubbish from San Pedro wetlands and beach in Piura. Large quantities of organic and inorganic solid waste were collected. The most common items collected were materials made from plastic.
	ONG Kurnetnet	
		ONG Kurnetnet ran environmental education programs from August onwards. They facilitated these programs through environmental youth days in joint effort with schools, local organisations and government. During these events, high school students participated in workshops, working in small groups to identify the environmental issues affecting their school, homes and community and tried to create solutions. After each group presented their findings, a final document was agreed upon called the "Students Proposal for the Environment" which was later presented to the local authorities in a ceremony. It is hoped that this document will be incorporated into the local authority's environmental management plans and programs. In these workshops, the students commit to practising the environmental practices agreed upon and this signifies that these students will act as agents of change and positive influence.
	Ronald Abel Lanazca Balbin	
		In collaboration with the Ecology and Environment group Ronald organised an inter-school sports ecology championship in which students were able to learn about the environment including the importance of water conservation. On WED in June, Ronald gave talks about waste reduction and management, and the importance of creating more green areas to a group of mothers from the town of Eucaliptos, in Puente Piedra District. On the same day, locals participated in a clean up where they collected 157kgs of waste including plastic bottles, tins and cigarette butts. Other awareness raising talks were given to various community groups throughout the year. Ronald believes such talks have assisted in the reduction of illness related to poor environmental awareness and practices.



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	Other Member(s) in PERU:	
	A Limpiar el Mundo - Peru	
	Agencia para el Desarrollo Humano de Ayacucho (ADHA)	
	Asociación para la Niñez y su Ambiente - ANIA	
	Centro Neotropical de Entrenamiento en Humedales - Peru	
	Colegio Andre Malraux	
	Comite Ambiental Juvenil (CAJU-Peru)	
	Grupo de Ayuda Internacional para el desarrollo social - Manos Solidarias	
	Grupo de Madres del Vaso de Leche	
	I.E. 2070 Nuestra Señora del Carmen	
	INPPARES	
	INSTITUCION EDUCATIVA No.120 MANUEL ROBLES ALARCON	
	Jose Rodriguez	
	Non Nibopotati	
	ONG Asociacion de Profesionales para reciclaje y manejos de medio ambiente	
	Rotaract Club Chiclayo San Carlos del Centenario	
	Titikaka	
	URUGUAY	
	Sueño Verde - Green Dream	
	Green Dream cleaned up their neighbourhood in September with the participation of 5 other volunteers. The organic waste that was collected was used in gardens and the plastic bottles taken to a recycling station. In July, they carried out an environmental education campaign which involved 58 local residents. These activities have resulted in a greater awareness amongst residents about the environmental repercussions of littering and have made residents happy to see a cleaner neighbourhood.	
	Other Member(s) in URUGUAY:	
	Arenas Blancas	
	Daniela Hernandez de Vasconcellos	
	Gabriel Brum	
	Liceo de Atlántida No 2	
	VENEZUELA	
	Cooperativa Gente de Playa	
	On Earth Day Cooperativa Gente de la Playa carried out a coastal clean up focusing on the beaches in the Urbaneja Municipality in Anzoátegui state. Approximately 1 tonne of waste was collected from the northern beaches including plastics, glass and metal. To celebrate WED they held a clean up of the banks of Neveri River in the state's capital. Approximately 4 tonnes of waste were collected, requiring 30 trips to the solid waste treatment plant. In celebration of World Beach Day in September the cooperative removed 2 tonnes of waste over 2 days from the mangroves of Pozuelos Bay. The activities carried out throughout the year were supported by community members and local, regional and national government, and helped to create a renewed community spirit and a feeling of responsibility towards their environment and the community. The Ministry of Environment has begun to address environment issues more seriously through the implementation of new legislation and now council meets regularly with the community to address environmental conservation issues. An increase in tourism has also been observed as a result of a cleaner environment.	
	Other Member(s) in VENEZUELA:	
	Fundación para la Defensa de la Naturaleza - FUDENA	
	Participemos ONG	