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NOTIFICATION

Subject: Whitepaper on the Conservation of Estuaries and Restoration of Mangroves

Dear Madam or Sir,

I am pleased to formally announce the release of the whitepaper entitled "*Recommendations for the Conservation of Estuaries and Restoration of Mangroves in Central and South America*," available in [Spanish](#), [English](#), and [Portuguese](#)¹. Its central aim is to offer guidance to governments in the development of sustainable strategies to ensure the resilience of coastal ecosystems. The recommendations encompass a range of measures, such as establishing biodiversity monitoring programs, valuing ecosystem services, analyzing the involvement of local communities and cross-border management, preserving cultural values, and developing education and public awareness strategies.

This whitepaper is the result of the event "*Building Bridges between Science and Sustainable Public Policies*," which was organized by the Science Diplomacy Center of the Inter-American Institute for Global Change Research (IAI), the National Secretariat of Science, Technology, and Innovation of Panama (SENACYT), and the Coiba Scientific Station (COIBA AIP).

The event aimed to create an international and transdisciplinary group of experts to work together on the sustainable management and preservation of estuaries and mangroves. This document was developed through collaboration between 19 professionals, including scientists from various disciplines and decision-makers from different parts of Latin America.

Please accept, Madam/Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

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English: Edgardo Díaz-Ferguson, 2024, "Recommendations for the Conservation of Estuaries and Restoration of Mangroves in Central and South America", <https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/O0Y6QE>, Harvard Dataverse, V2

Spanish: Edgardo Díaz-Ferguson, 2024, "Recomendaciones para la Conservación de los Estuarios y Restauración de los Manglares de Centroamérica y Sudamérica", <https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/5ZPUUN>, Harvard Dataverse, V3

Portuguese: Edgardo Díaz-Ferguson, 2024, "Recomendações para a Conservação de Estuários e Restauração de Manguezais na América Central e do Sul", <https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/BATLEZ>, Harvard Dataverse, V2