

Overcoming the Challenge of Consensus: The Creation of the Green Caucus in Peru

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The Starting Point

- As a continent, we still have an outstanding debt to our population in environmental matters. Our populations continue to be victims of the dramatic effects of climate change as they await concrete mitigation and adaptation measures.
- Even if we have strong political will and initiatives, it is establishing consensus that will lead to the real change in stopping environmental degradation.

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- Care for the environment and measures to address climate change have ceased to be partisan or ideological issues, instead becoming a necessity on which our own survival as humans depends.



The Call

- Requirements for membership
 - Persons sensitive to environmental issues
 - Committed to parliamentary work
 - Leaders in each of their political groups

- Members' mission

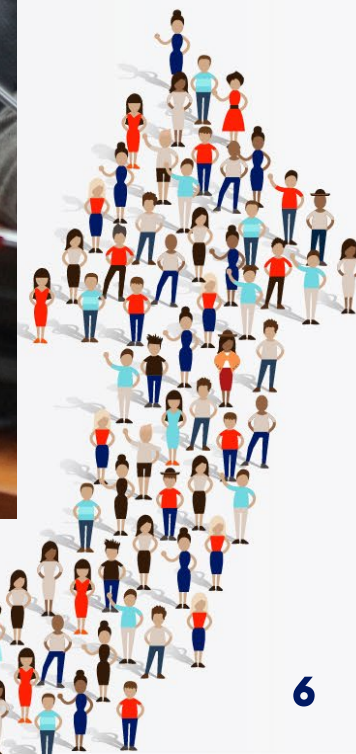
To be ambassadors for the Green Caucus in each of their parliamentary groups. We are the only caucus with 10 members and a coordination group.

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- Incentives for membership in the Green Caucus

All are agents of change, becoming environmental leaders who are seen as agents for dialogue and consensus building.





Se instala en el Congreso “Bancada Verde” para promover leyes ambientales



POLÍTICA

Solicitarán “pleno verde” a fin de acelerar revisión de proyectos de leyes ambientales

Ana María Choquehuanca, que preside dicha mesa partidaria, señala que es “imprescindible construir un marco jurídico propicio para el desarrollo sostenible” de leyes ambientales.

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Mission, Vision, and Objectives

- Mission

The Green Caucus is a space for multi-party collaboration in which members can propose, debate, and drive concrete measures for environmental protection and biodiversity in Peru.

- Vision

To be a reference point and model of good legislative practices in the region through the promotion of laws and agreed-upon oversight action, with a view to protecting the environment and biodiversity.



Objectives

1. To ensure that members promote, within each of their respective parliamentary groups, the need for the Peruvian State to have policies for the prevention and mitigation of environmental damage.
2. To drive agreed-upon legislative actions in support of environmental protection.
3. To adopt joint measures to provide oversight to entities responsible for care of the environment in Peru.
4. To promote action plans on environmental protection in the public and private sectors.

First Steps

- The training and sensitization of members of the Green Caucus is critical for achieving our objectives.

Priority issues:

- Legislative measures to address climate change
- Regulations to promote sustainable development in Peru
- Protection of oceans and water resources
- Regulations to prevent and sanction all forms of contamination, with particular emphasis on visual contamination, which is not currently regulated in the country
- The Escazú Agreement as an international legal tool for environmental protection
- Peru at COP 25

First Steps II

- Invite all relevant stakeholders to themed working sessions to develop the initiatives the Green Caucus will promote.
- Regarding oversight, the coordination group has proposed that Green Caucus members commit to incorporating an environmental agenda in the activities planned for representation week.

What is Needed for Continued Progress?

- Technological, human, and economic resources are needed to make the Green Caucus sustainable.
- The support of a technical team and additional funding to hold wider consultations and undertake oversight work in the regions of Peru most affected by contamination and climate change.
- Collaboration with international organizations is fundamental. Investment and technical accompaniment are required to drive the Green Caucus and keep its work current.

Call to Action

- The message to our populations must be clear: the environment affects us all and we are in favour of development, but in conditions of sustainability. We stand in solidarity and, as a result, will work hard – in a coordinated manner and with consensus – to protect everyone from contamination and climate change; above all those who are least able to cope.
- Replicate this experience in your countries to promote environmental consciousness and parliamentary consensus.
- Form a “Continental Network of Parliamentary Green Caucuses.”