

	<div>digital connectivity</div> <div>energy</div> <div>transport</div> <div>health</div> <div>education and research</div>	<div>YES</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/></div> <div><input type="checkbox"/></div> <div><input type="checkbox"/></div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></div>	<div>NO</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></div> <div><input type="checkbox"/></div>	
	<div>Migration @</div> <div>(methodology for tagging under development)</div>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<div>Reduction of Inequalities @</div> <div>(methodology for marker and tagging under development)</div>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Covid-19	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BUDGET INFORMATION				
12. Amounts concerned	<div>Budget line(s) (article, item): Budget Line: BGUE-B2024-14.020140-C1-INTPA</div> <div>Total estimated cost: EUR 5,300,000</div> <div>Total amount of EU budget contribution EUR 5,000,000</div> <div>Total amount of AECID budget contribution EUR 200,000</div> <div>Total amount of AICS budget contribution EUR 100,000</div> <div>This Action is inscribed in the context of the Team Europe Initiative (TEI) ‘Economic green recovery through circular and bio-economy, contributing to Sustainable Growth and Jobs and Green Deal EU policies’.</div> <div>Germany EUR 5,500,000</div> <div>Italy EUR 100,000</div> <div>Spain EUR 200,000</div>			
MANAGEMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION				
13. Type of financing¹	Indirect management with the entities selected in accordance with the criteria set out in section 4.3.1			

1.2 Summary of the Action

Ecuador enjoys a privileged position as one of the most biodiverse countries in the world, with a unique set of ecosystems in a rather limited space. It is a small contributor to the negative effect of climate change, but due to its privileged position, is naturally inclined to the Green Agenda. For this reason, Ecuador should be a natural world flagbearer of green-led development and conservation, following the likes of Costa Rica, as well as in the protection of human rights and rights of nature, having also ratified the Escazú agreement on May 21, 2020, and as the first country in the world having enshrined nature’s rights in its Constitution (2008). Nevertheless, deforestation poses a major problem to the country, with rates close to 100.000 ha/year deforested. The increase in deforested areas not only leads to a decrease in biodiversity, but also to economic and social challenges for rural and indigenous communities.

¹ Art. 27 NDICI