

Information on the country strategy Peru

For each partner country of VLIR-UOS, a country strategy has been developed. The country strategy represents the strategic niche for VLIR-UOS cooperation in a country, with specific **thematic areas** and an institutional and/or regional focus, based on the needs and national priorities of the country with regard to higher education and development. The [VLIR-UOS Country Strategy for Peru](#) is aligned with national development and higher education priorities, which is translated in the country strategy by means of following central themes: **'environment'**, **'food security and agriculture'**, **'health'**, **'economy'** and **'government & society'**. Transversal support themes are **'institutional strengthening'**, **'quality of research and education'** and **'academic English'**. There is no **geographical focus** put forward, however, the idea is to increase activities outside Lima. 17 preferential partner universities are put forward in the **institutional focus** of the strategy: Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú (focus on national-level networking), Universidad Nacional Agraria La Molina (IUC, only as support partner), Universidad Nacional de Trujillo, Universidad Nacional de San Antonio Abad del Cusco, Universidad Nacional de San Agustín, Universidad Nacional del Altiplano, Universidad Nacional Amazonia Peruana, Universidad Nacional de Piura, Universidad Nacional de San Cristóbal de Huamanga, Universidad Nacional de Cajamarca, Universidad Nacional del Centro in Huancayo, Universidad Nacional de San Martín, Universidad Nacional Toribio Rodríguez de Mendoza de Amazonas, Universidad Nacional Mayor de San Marcos, Universidad Peruana Cayetano Heredia, Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería, Universidad de Piura (private). The last four institutions are not for internal capacity building projects but should focus on strengthening of other partner institutes from the list. A promoter wishing to engage in a cooperation with a higher education institute or public (not for profit) research institute not listed, will need to motivate in the project proposal why a collaboration with this institute is found relevant, how the proposal is aligned with the country strategy and why he/she is presenting a proposal with the proposed partner institution.

Information for potential synergy and complementarity

Synergy and complementarity (S&C) can improve the impact of development cooperation interventions and is a top priority of the Belgian minister of Development Cooperation and encouraged by the reform of non-governmental cooperation in 2016. In order to promote S&C, all Belgian non-governmental development actors were invited to elaborate a Joint Strategic Framework (JSFs) per country in 2016. These JSFs provide information about the goals to which the actors want to contribute, and also indicate potential for synergy and complementarity. In the table below, a general overview of relevant information from the **Joint Strategic Framework Peru** is provided for each **thematic area** of the VLIR-UOS **country strategy**. The Joint Strategic **Goal** relevant for each theme is listed, together with the **Belgian non-governmental actors** which are active in **Peru** with funding of the Belgian development cooperation. By providing this list, VLIR-UOS wants to facilitate **synergy** and/or complementarity with programmes of other Belgian actors. Synergy and complementarity will also be integrated as an element in the **selection** of interventions, more in particular when discussing the (developmental) relevance of project proposals. The last updated version of the JSF Peru can be found [here](#).

Thematic area of the VLIR-UOS country strategy	Potential match with the Joint Strategic Goal of the Joint Strategic Framework	Belgian Non-Governmental Actors active in this area
ENVIRONMENT	(3) Contribute to the protection of the environment and take measures to address climate change and other risks	11.11.11, Eclasio, ARES, Autre Terre, BOS+, BD, IDP, ITG, LMSF, SOS Faim, TRIAS, VECO, VIA DB, VVSG
	(4) Contribute to the protection, promotion and exercise of the economic, social and cultural rights of local actors , in particular the most vulnerable, in the democratic and intercultural	11.11.11, ECLOSIO, ARES, Autre Terre, BOS+, BD, IDP, LMSF, SOS Faim, TRAIS, VECO

	management of their territory and the sustainable use of their resources (water, land, biodiversity ...), as well as the rights of nature .	
FOOD SECURITY and AGRICULTURE	5) Contribute to the protection, promotion and exercise of social, cultural, environmental and economic rights of families , including all forms of organizations (peasant and indigenous communities, associations, micro-enterprises ...), to live in dignity of its main activity, family agriculture	ECLOSIO, ARES, Autre Terre, BOS+, BD, IDP, LMSF, SOS Faim, TRIAS, VECO
HEALTH	(8) Contribute to the universal and integral access of citizens to health care	ECLOSIO, ARES, ITG, LMSF
ECONOMY	(6) Promote the social economy and inclusive enterprises with high-impact and shared value-generation, through chains and markets, which contribute to local, regional and national development (7) Contribute to a more equitable economic development in harmony with nature, which guarantees respect for rights and redistribution towards the most vulnerable groups (Decent Work) Creating jobs and sustainable livelihoods, guaranteeing labour rights and extending social protection and promoting social dialogue for all	ECLOSIO, ARES, Autre Terre, BOS+, IDP, LMSF, SOS Faim, TRIAS, VECO, VIA DB 11.11.11, ARES, BOS+, BD, LMSF, VVSG FOS-IFSI-SOLSOC (country level), WSM-IIAV-BIS (regional level)
GOVERNMENT and SOCIETY	(1) Contribute to the respect and promotion of human rights , both civil and political as well as economic, social, cultural and environmental, be they individual or collective, and particularly for vulnerable groups. (2) Promote the gender approach, recognizing, respecting and promoting the exercise of women's rights in all areas, including sexual and reproductive rights. (10) Contribute to good local governance for sustainable local development (11) Strengthen civil society organisations so that they can fulfil their role, as defined in Busan and the EU Road Map	11.11.11, ECLOSIO, ARES BOS+, BD, GEOMOUN, EF, LMSF, VIA DB 11.11.11, ECLOSIO, ARES, Autre Terre, BOS+, BD, IDP, LMSF, SOS Faim, TRIAS, VECO, VIA DB ECLOSIO, ARES, Autre Terre, BOS+, BD, IDP, LMSF, SOS Faim, TRIAS, VECO, VVSG 11.11.11, ECLOSIO, ARES, Autre Terre, BOS+, IDP, LMSF
Crosscutting themes for HIGHER EDUCATION and RESEARCH (institutional strengthening)	(9) Help Peruvians to exercise their right to a quality, comprehensive, intercultural education aimed at the full development of their productive, cultural and political capacities	BOS+, VECO, VIA DB

(12) Ensure and improve access to **knowledge**, improve **research** and stimulate **innovation** in order to contribute to development

ECLOSIO, ARES, ITG, LMSF, VECO, VIA DB, VLIR-UOS

More information about the other Belgian actors active in **Peru** with funding of the Belgian development cooperation can be found in the table below. Their own suggestions for possible cooperation with academics are also provided, but this should not be seen as an exhaustive list. Academics and ICOS (institutional coordinators for development coordination at level of the Flemish HEIs) elaborating a project proposal are invited to contact relevant organisations for more information and/or to enquire them on potential collaborations. Information on the activities of **Enabel** (former BTC) in Peru can be found on their [database](#).

NGA	Short description of the activities in Peru	Name of the local partner(s)	Region(s)	Suggested research topics	Contact person
11.11.11	<p>In Peru 11.11.11 works together with organizations that stand up from a rights perspective for a differentiated development, based on social and economic justice and on a balance with nature.</p> <p>11.11.11 works together with organizations and networks that are active at national level on democratization and human rights, environmental issues, climate justice, and social and economic justice (including fiscal policy, financing for development, investments, trade agreements), environmental and climate justice. They support rights holders so that they are better able to defend their rights and carry out common actions to influence the policy. The partners are part of international platforms through which they promote South-South exchange and global actions.</p>	CNDDHH, Aprodeh, DAR, Cooperación, Red Muqui, MOCICC, Red GE, Peru Equidad	National, offices mostly based in Lima		Freya Rondelez
Eclosio (ex ADG)	<p>"Interacting with Living Territories" is an action that seeks to strengthen peasant families in the exercise of their rights in coherence with the goals of the Common Strategic Framework Peru (MEC PERU). A first axis of action consists in strengthening territorial management of community organizations and other actors in the territory;</p>	<p>DIACONIA, CEPES, Consorcio Agroecológico Peruano - CAP Representado por la Red de Agricultura Ecológica del Perú – RAE Perú, Grupo</p>	Ancash, Piura, Cuzco, Huancavelica , Ucayali	<p>Research Studies on malnutrition (public policies impact, quality of drinking water influence, ecological vegetables production effects etc.)</p>	Pierre Rouschop

	<p>for this pilot actions in the municipal territories of Pamparomás and Aija (Ancash) will be developed. This goes from the planning of the territory until the implementation of prioritized initiatives (in family agriculture, natural resource management and others). Construction and management of knowledge stands central. Also sensitization and advocacy actions at national and regional level (Ancash, Cusco, Huancavelica, Piura and Ucayali) are to be carried out, dealing with the rights of peasant• families, on issues of territorial management and natural resources, agroecology, healthy food ...</p>	<p>Género y Economía, Junta de Desarrollo Distrital de Pamparomás</p>		<p>Comparative study of nutritional qualities and innocuity between ecologic and conventional foods. Studies on climatic change: adaptation and mitigation strategies of small family farmers; effects of local territorial and natural resources management; adaptability and resilience of native and introduces species, varieties and breeds, etc.). Education Specialized training programs in agroecology for technicians, extensionists and agricultural advisors.</p>	
<p>Autre Terre (AT) / Iles de Paix (IdP) / SOS Faim</p>	<p>The present program, developed in partnership between Autre Terre, Iles de Paix and SOS Faim, aims to contribute to farmers and families, and micro- entrepreneurs in a situation of vulnerability to improve their quality of life, within an environment favourable to sustainable family farming and social economy. 17 Peruvian institutions will be strengthened within the framework of this program in order to improve the living conditions of 257 436 family farmers and micro-entrepreneurs. In this way, specific support will be provided to producers so that they improve their production through sustainable and environmentally friendly techniques. At the same time, support will be given to producer organizations and social microenterprises in their transformation and marketing skills. Support will be given to credit cooperatives to support farmers in their access to financial services. Intense advocacy, sensitization and empowerment of citizens, organized civil</p>	<p>SOS Faim: Convención Nacional del Agro Peruano – CONVEAGRO, CAP-RAE, CIDERURAL, CC&CP, CAAP, Asociación ARARIWA, REDES, O.N.G AGROSALUD DE UCAYALI; ILES De Paix, DIACONIA, CEDEL, IDMA; Autre Terre: APT? Cooperativas Frutas del Andes, Red de Mujeres Productoras de Jauja, CEDEL, Asociación de Mujeres Eco-solidarias</p>	<p>Cajamarca, Huanuco, Ucayali, Pasco, Junin, Cuzco, Puno, Ayacucho, Apurimac, Arequipa, ..</p>		<p>AT: David Gabriel; Gaelle de Bellefroid (Iles de Paix); Luis Vargas (SOS Faim)</p>

	society and local public authorities, will also be undertaken. Special attention will be given to the conservation of natural resources and recognition of the leading role of women as key actors in development.				
Académie de Recherche et d'Enseignement Supérieur (ARES)	ARES has chosen as a partner the University of San Antonio Abad del Cusco, given its importance in the development of the Southern Andean region. UNSAAC is a public institution. Since the establishment of the new university law in Peru, which aims to regulate the university offer and to ensure its quality, a group of universities, including UNSAAC, has begun to reflect on the contribution of the university to development. The theme of academic social responsibility has been defined as a priority area. The institutional support program with UNSAAC takes into account the institutional urgency to be trained in research but articulates this with the needs of the Andean population. The other focus of this program is (i) to train teaching staff because UNSAAC has too few Doctors and holders of quality masters to meet the requirements in the field of new university law; and (ii) to improve the administration and management of education and of research	UNSAAC	Cusco		Tanguy Goethals
Broederlijk Delen (BD)	The Broederlijk Delen programme in Peru is located in the High Provinces of Cusco and Apurimac, a region in the southern Andes that is drastically transformed by large-scale mining projects. In addition, we support with our own means a smaller intervention in Cajamarca in Northern Peru, a region with similar characteristics, with a view to exchange and mutual learning. We support rural communities in their efforts to improve	APRODEH, CBC, CEDEP AYLLU, COOPERACCION, DHSF, GRUFIDES, IBC, IBL, PDTG, TARPURIS UNCHIS	Cusco, Apurimac, Cajamarca		Raphael Hoetmer

	<p>access and sustainable management of natural resources.</p> <p>In addition, we want to ensure the protection of the rights of the indigenous and peasant population, and we strengthen the role and institutions of the Peruvian government for democracy and sustainable development. We pay particular attention to the rights of women, young people and indigenous people. Through our partner organizations we support local communities in developing alternatives to an economy based on large-scale mining. We give visibility those alternatives so that they can be inspiring. We strengthen the local social organizations so that they can play their role in defense the rights and interests of the population. The local interventions are supplemented with influencing policy at regional and national level.</p>				
Bos+	<p>The overall objective is to improve the livelihoods of rural communities in Peru, to strengthen CSOs in inclusive and participatory management of forest resources (products and services) (SO1) and avoid deforestation for the improvement of livelihoods through value chains of sustainable agroforestry products (SO2). We focus on three regions of Peru: Central jungle, Amazon rainforest and dry forest in the province of Piura in association with 2 counterparts DRIS and AIDER, and each in consortium with their allied CSOs. The interventions they produce changes in the daily practice of the beneficiaries. Specifically: 1) improve the management of protected areas; 2) improve the value chain of non-timber forest products; 3) recover</p>	DRIS, AIDER	Piura, Amazon rainforest, central jungle	<p>In general:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Participatory evaluation of socio-economic value/potential, ecosystem services and/or diversity assessment with a focus on ecosystem services and other benefits, with a focus on forest ecosystems - Community forest management - Participatory community forest mapping - Implementin a Landscape approach in community forests - Characterizing Agroforestry production systems - Forest restoration 	<p>Pieter Van de Sype</p>

	<p>degraded areas; 4) improve agroforestry systems; 5) enforce organizations and capabilities</p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Remote Sensing or UAV use for measuring forest cover intactness <p>More specific:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Socio-economic potential of ecosystem services and products in the Community-managed protected areas Amarakaeri and Yanasha, with a focus on non-timber forest products, from both a biological-ecological as a socio-economic perspective - Design and use a Protocol for SENTINEL data analysis to determine degree of intactness of community-managed forest and to compare community-managed forests with other forest areas - Design a protocol for UAV use by local communities for vegetation cover monitoring - Participatory community landscape mapping in Dry forest and the Amazon, towards implementing a landscape approach for a sustainable use of local forest resources and improving ecological connectivity - Participatory characterization of Cacao and Banana Production systems in indigenous communities the buffer zone of 	
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				the RCY and RCA reserves, as an input for best practices recommendations for a transition towards agroforestry systems that contribute to a higher degree to ecological connectivity	
GEOMOUN / ENTRAIDE ET FRATERNITE (EF)	<p>Geomoun, a Belgian NGO experienced in children's rights, will involve three NGOs with several years of experience working with children in Peru: E & F, a Belgian NGO, Kallpa and Chibolito, two Peruvian NGOs. The program will be run with children and adolescents, girls and boys, living at risk in two regions of Peru (San Juan de Lurigancho district in Lima and Cajamarca city). We will work with the actors closest to childhood and adolescence: families, local institutions (schools, childcare facilities, etc.), communities. It will also be important to involve local authorities and operators or public service providers of the State (health sector, education, Ministry of Development and Social Inclusion).</p>	<p>Entre Aide et Fraternité Kallpa Chibolito</p>	<p>San Juan de Lurigancho district in Lima and Cajamarca city</p>		<p>Geneviève Fuks, Sarah Crosset, Rocío Cortez</p>
Instituut voor Tropische Geneeskunde (ITG)	<p>The Institute of Tropical Medicine Alexander von Humboldt has a longstanding relationship with ITM in the frame of fundamental and translational research for improving health. We have developed over the years a strong partnership in the area of infectious diseases that pose significant public health concerns in Peru and the Latin American region (and globally as well): leishmaniasis, malaria, tuberculosis, HTLV-1-associated diseases, and bacterial diseases. Current proposal builds further on the acquired knowledge and experience, and includes an additional component on arboviral infections.</p>	<p>Institute of Tropical Medicine Alexander von Humboldt</p>	<p>Yurimaguas, Iquitos, Loreto, Cuzco</p>		<p>Jean-Claude Dujardin</p>

<p>Le Monde Selon Les Femmes (LMSLF)</p>	<p>The Program developed by Le MF and its counterpart GGE / REMTE Peru promotes the recognition of the role of indigenous and peasant women (MIC) towards equality and in processes of their reinforcement in social and political decision spaces; as well as the valorisation of knowledge and experiences for the adaptation to climate change, in productive capacities and access to resources in family agriculture (campesinos and indigenous).</p> <p>The MF and GGE / REMTE Peru will also contribute to a better gender integration on behalf of the development actors, including Belgian ACNG and their counterparts, through: monitoring the target strategy on gender, the dissemination of information, the exchange of knowledge and practices, participation in activities and joint accomplishments, the organization of training and institutional support.</p>	<p>ADEMUC et CONAMOVIDI</p>	<p>The activities will be carried out mainly in the Puno region and Lima (national level).</p>		<p>Stefania Del Zotto</p>
<p>TRIAS</p>	<p>The 2017-2021 program of Trias Andes in Peru has as its main objective to improve the living conditions of 32,200 family farmers and microentrepreneurs, organized around different productive chains and economic sectors, to achieve a favourable environment and an inclusive society. The program will work with several organizations of producers of the agri-food sector in Peru, which move in a territorial context that demands horizontal articulations between producers and governmental actors to improve the infrastructure and logistics conditions that allow a permanent and sustainable production; as well as vertical articulations between regional and national organizations and institutions for the construction and</p>	<p>CNCJ, CONVEAGRO, COOPAGROS, cooperativa de CNCJ</p>	<p>National Cuzco, Apurimac</p>	<p>A new research topic is related to the coffee sector, where different possibilities are tried out to re-use the peel of the coffee bean and to make organic fertilizer out of it. A research could help to optimize this process, as well as to look for other possibilities to re-use this product.</p>	<p>Lieve Van Elsen</p> <p>Marc Vogelaers</p>

	<p>management of public policies that improve development conditions.</p> <p>We will work with 4 grass root organisations (organizaciones de base) of family agriculture in the departments of Apurímac, Cusco and nationally, to strengthen their productive and commercial processes, reaching markets with fair prices in different productive chains (potato, agroecology and fair trade products such as coffee, bananas and cocoa). At the national level, the generation of public policies in favour of family farming and fairtrade is supported.</p>				
<p>Rikolto (former/ VECO) Country Office (Rikolto)</p>	<p>The challenge of Rikolto (former VECO) Andino in Peru is to contribute to improving the quality of life of small agricultural producers, through an effective linkage to the market, through intervention strategies that professionalize their organizations, to commercialize quality products that generate more stable income to agricultural families.</p> <p>To this end, four areas of work are proposed, in the coffee and cocoa chains: 1) Support producer organizations so that have professionalized business models, with effective use of new information systems (digitization), and positioned in differentiated markets with quality products. 2) Generate evidence of agro-food companies that carry out sustainable procurement and encourage the participation of rural youth in the chain. 3) Generate and implement public and private policies that foster a favorable business environment to ensure sustainability and inclusion. 4) Manage knowledge through networks and platforms at national and international level, which promote reflection</p>	<p>APROCASI, CAC La prosperidad de Chrinos, CAC Pangoa</p>	<p>Cajamarca, Junín</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Study on consumer awareness in Lima: healthy, sustainable food. This study would support the formulation of the food policy of Lima as city-region. At this moment. FAO is working on this food policy, but we are looking for funds to support this exercise together with other actors. • Complement the research project of VLIR-UOS with KULeuven and Espol (<u>Ecuador</u>) on cadmium, having a similar project in Peru with the University "La Molina" and a Flemish university. In 2019 the European Union will make effective a new regulation on cadmium in chocolate. This can be disastrous for many smallholders if we don't have information on actual levels of cadmium in the cocoa bean to start mitigation measures. In Peru there isn't an agreed protocol on 	<p>Paola Mercado</p>

	and the construction of public and private policies.			<p>research. It would be very interesting and important to have a research in Peru with the same protocol. Belgian cooperation/embassy is very interested in this possibility because of the great importance of cocoa for the Belgian market.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inclusive sustainable business models for local markets: fruit and vegetables. How can we influence local companies to have a more sustainable and inclusive supply? We have worked with the Universidad Pacifico on this item, together with CIAT, and they are also interested in working with public universities in the different regions of Peru on this item. This could be an interesting opportunity to link with a Belgian University and set up a national project based in different regions. 	
VIA Don Bosco (VIA DB)	<p>The objective is to ensure that vulnerable young women and men (15 - 29 years old) in Lima, Arequipa and Piura are professionally and socially integrated into Peruvian society. To achieve this goal, close collaboration with our partner organizations is crucial. We will collaborate with 6 Professional Technical Education Centers (CETPROs), 2 Planning and Development Offices (OPD), and an Office of Labor Insertion (OIL). Together with the partners, we will work first to improve the quality of the educational process and the learning in all training</p>	<p>Centro Educativo Técnico Profesional (6), Oficinas de Planificación y Desarrollo (2) , Salesianos de Don Bosco, Solidaridad Mazzareliana</p>	<p>Lima, Arequipa, Piura</p>		<p>Blanca Guerrero</p>

	centers. Second, we want to strengthen management capabilities of all partner organizations in different areas (human talent management, financial management, among others). In the third place, we will focus on improving the accompaniment to decent work and the entrepreneurship of the young people.				
Vlaamse Vereniging voor Steden en Gemeenten (VVSG)	<p>The program wants to contribute to the capacity building of technicians in local administration tackling social and ecological problems such as supporting local farming families, the development of organic cultivation, efficient environmental management aimed at good waste management, spatial planning and urban planning, ... this in collaboration with several strategic target groups such as women, young people, educational institutions, companies, ...</p> <p>By working together with strategic partners, a solid and realistic planning building and formulating clear objectives, the program contributes to an increase awareness with the local authorities.</p>	City Bond San Jeronimo and Edegem	San Jeronimo		Karlien Gorissen
Waardig Werk (FOS/IFSI)	The entry into power of a new president, government and parliament in Peru at the end of July 2016, whose terms almost coincide with the duration of this program of FOS and IFSI, and the signing of several commitments between the President Kuczynski and various counterparts of FOS and IFSI, open a new political conjuncture that offers possibilities for the proposals and incidence of the counterparts of FOS and IFSI to be able to lead to greater respect for the right to decent work, and better access to	<p>General Confederation of Workers of Peru (CGTP)</p> <p>National Federation of Workers and Domestic Workers of Peru (FENTTRAHOP)</p> <p>National Federation of Women Workers and Water and Sewerage Workers</p>	National		Felix Dewitte Katrien Beirinckx

	<p>social protection and health (including sexual and reproductive).</p> <p>The program in Peru will strengthen several social actors, trade unions and social and women's organizations, in the promotion of political, social and economic alternatives that facilitate access to decent work and to the social protection for workers and marginalized population groups. The program will support them in their processes of internal democracy, in its incidence before the authorities and public opinion, in its communication, awareness and complaints before national and international networks.</p>	<p>of Peru (FENTAP) Federation of Workers in Civil Construction of Peru (FTCCP) Health Forum, Promsex</p>			
<p>WSM</p>	<p>WSM works with 4 partners to promote the Right to Social Protection, to the potential benefit of especially the women and young people.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CSP (union, Confederación Sindical de Trabajadores del Perú) - JOC (Juventud Obrera Católica del Peru - JOC Perú) - GRESP (Grupo Red de Economía Solidaria), - Ecosol network - ANP (Asociación Nacional de Periodistas) 			

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