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The National Technical Coordination of the Preal - Venezuela presented to Minec the proposal for the institutionalization of the National Committee, which would be made up of the public, private, academic sectors and environmental movements, in order to generate a productive chain that serves the development of the Venezuelan economy.

"The current of electrical and electronic waste is growing very

quickly on the planet, and has a high impact on health and the environment, so it requires better practices and actions to reduce its impact," said the technical coordinator of the Preal - Venezuela, Alfredo Pérez.

Pérez explained that they will seek to work with the Recycling and Cleaning Technical Tables (Metras), with the purpose of raising awareness and training on the subject of repair, recovery and correct treatment of WEEE.

The company Rodrigo Scrap, specialized in the collection, reuse and recycling of electronic waste, indicated its commitment to promote awareness of the recycling of electronic waste, one of the most dangerous environmental aspects in the world.

The head of Minec, Josué Lorca, participated in the meeting and

assured that Venezuela "is a country that is flourishing economically".

In this sense, Lorca emphasized the need to create an alliance with the private sector that allows State institutions to recover the "large number of electrical and electronic devices in disuse."

The Minister explained that through the Metras, distributed throughout the national territory, communities will be trained in the field of WEEE recycling.

He invited the actors of the entire WEEE value chain, the substantive directorates of the Minec related to the subject and other participants, to work concretely for the formalization of the National Committee in a forthcoming meeting.



For the preservation of the environment

# Ecosocial Congress Sucre State Chapter

**W**ith the participation of academics and spokespersons for social movements, as well as environmental institutions from the eastern region of Venezuela, they hold the First Ecosocial Congress in the state of Sucre, where various papers related to environmental issues were presented.

The start of the event was in charge of the director of the Ecosocialist Territorial Unit (UTEC) Sucre, Daniel Franco, with his presentation entitled "Strategic Lines of the Minec and its Articulation with the People's Power 2022", from the auditorium of the Territorial Polytechnic University of West of Sucre.

During his speech, Franco called for the unity and integration of social movements, because in his opinion "we must be united. An ecosocialist force must come from here, through the ecological movements, what we want is to take this congress to the entire entity of Sucre".

To this end, the Minec has among its objectives to promote the strengthening of comprehensive training for ecosocialism throughout the Sucre region.

On the other hand, it is necessary to highlight the intention to incite debate and discussion within the congress, in order to promote the socialization of new proposals and alternatives aimed at complying with the Fifth Objective of the Plan de la Patria 2019-2025.



*The Congress will tour the entire entity*

In Monagas

# They develop a course for the manufacture of biodegradable pots

**T**o reduce the use of bags in the germination of plants, the Ministry of People's Power for Ecosocialism (Minec), through the Ecosocialist Territorial Unit (UTEC) Monagas, held a workshop to manufacture biodegradable pots.

With the induction, which took place in the Andrés Eloy Blanco Park in the city of Maturín, the aim is to reduce the use of polyethylene bags in the seedling growth process, through the use of reusable materials such as paper, sawdust,

coconut, white starch glue and water.





The spice received specialized attention

## Joint effort achieved rescue of dolphin in Nueva Esparta

**W**ith the efforts of servers from the Ministry of People's Power for Ecosocialism (Minec), the community of the sector and the participation of two private companies, a stranded dolphin was rescued in Punta de Mangles, Nueva Esparta state.

The animal, which appears to be a hybrid of *Stenella species longirostris* with *Stenella clymene*, was treated by specialists in cetaceans from the Minec Biological Diversity Directorate, local residents and personnel from the TIDE and Waterland companies, where the corresponding medical evaluations are carried out.

In this regard, the Latin American scientific community that studies dolphins shows great interest in the hybrid specimens that are rescued, since during their analysis they provide an excellent opportunity to better understand the mechanisms of evolution.



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## UPAFV graduated 55 fourth level professionals



*Exchange of environmental knowledge with more than 50 universities*

**T**he Popular University of the Fruto Vivas Environment (UPAFV), awarded fourth level educational titles to 55 graduates, among whom the Minister of Popular Power for Ecosocialism stands out.

The graduates are made up of 28 women and 27 men, for a total of 55 graduates who received diplomas and medals in Masters, Doctorates in Ecology of Human Development and one in Agrifood Engineering.

The rector of the Upafv, Juan Manuel Parra, offered an emotional speech in which he celebrated the creation of the University for being a palpable result of the environmental movement in Venezuela.

In turn, Parra led the swearing-in of the graduates who raised their hands in honor of the Constitution of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, before which they

assumed to fulfill the obligations and duties that come with being graduated from this university.

The UPAFV has strategic alliances of inter-institutional cooperation with universities in Uruguay and Cuba, to establish joint activities, and particularly, with the Institute of Ecology of Cuba with which they held an agreement at the training level on natural museums.

Likewise, UPAFV has participated in exchanges of environmental knowledge with more than 50 universities in the American and European continents, with academics and environmental spokespersons from more than 33 countries, among which the following stand out: Argentina, Colombia, Uruguay, the United States and Spain.

UPAFV began its activities in 2017, when President Nicolás Maduro signed the decree for the activation and creation of this environmental academy.



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## The Mi Parque Recicla program began



*Each container represents a color for the waste*

**T**he Ministry for Ecosocialism (Minec) began the "My Park Recycles" program with the installation of 100 sorting containers for paper, glass, cardboard and plastic in the Generalissimo Francisco de Miranda Recreational Park, east of Greater Caracas.

300 containers will be delivered throughout the national territory, an action with which Minec seeks to promote classification from the source and thus promote the circular economy, preventing these materials from reaching final disposal sites.

The head of Minec, Josué Lorca, emphasized that of 100% of the solid waste produced in Venezuela, 40% of these products can be used for recycling, but only 5% is used.

Lorca explained that the colors of the containers represent where each of the waste goes. The green container is for glass, the blue for paper, and the yellow for plastic. The striking drawings of the containers are aimed at children so that they feel curious, and associate the color of the characters with the waste that must be deposited in the pot.

## Recovery of the Generalissimo Francisco de Miranda Park

**M**inister Lorca reported that the Generalissimo Francisco de Miranda Recreational Park has been recovered through the installation of new lighting, a curtain system, restoration of the lagoon system that had been without maintenance for more than 15 years, and returned the entrance to the park that it had 8 years closed.

Currently, the Minec is working on the recovery of the replica of the Leander ship, built of wood, which, as a result of a bacterium, progressively degraded.

Lorca emphasized that the Institution is strengthening the Utilization Directorate, attached to the Vice Ministry of Comprehensive Garbage Management of Minec, in the context of the policy of utilization of waste carried out by the National Executive to make visible the recycling processes and the people who are involved in this matter, in order to transform solid waste.

He reiterated that it is of utmost importance to promote awareness and sensitization of the population that visits national parks and natural monuments, on the issue of recycling usable materials.

## REFLECTION ON ECOSOCIALISM

# The Economic Potential of Venezuela with the Protection of the Environment

By Joshua Alejandro Lorca



Our country ranks third among the nations with the largest protected land area on the planet and is the first in Latin America. Standing as an example to follow to preserve ecosystems for future generations. Let's do a little statistics to understand the magnitude of our role as the Protector Country of Mother Earth:

- Venezuela has 408 Areas Under the Special Administration Regime (ABRAE) that represent 66% of its land surface and 4.41% of its water surface.

- It is a mega-diverse country, which due to its

biogeographical position includes the Andes mountain range, the Coastal mountain range, the Llanos, the Amazon, the Guiana Shield, the Colombian-Venezuelan arid zones, the Caribbean Sea and the Atlantic Ocean; with a wide diversity of biomes throughout 27 climatic zones, 650 types of natural vegetation, 23 forms of relief and 38 large geological units; and that biologically positions it as the 4th country in the world in amphibians; 6th in birds, 8th in mammals and 9th in the world in reptiles.

- It has one of the most extensive systems of Protected Areas (IUCN II - VI) in Latin America for protective, scientific, educational,

recreational purposes, and through regulated uses, covering an area of more than 50% of the national territory with a total of 286 areas.

If we look at this from a material and economic perspective, it can be inferred that protecting the environment has also been quite beneficial for the economy. Hydropower generated in protected areas, for example, saves the country \$12.5 billion in electricity costs a year, according to estimates by Nature Conservancy.

Extensive rainforests are natural carbon sinks that capture greenhouse gases. There are some 20.25 million hectares of protected forests



throughout the country, which "save costs for damages from global climate change of up to 28,000 million dollars" details the Nature Foundation Conservancy in its report dedicated to Venezuela.

With 10% of the planet's plant species, the potential for the development of a pharmaceutical biotechnological industry offers the country diversification in its export production matrix.

However, that is not all, the exuberant beauty of our parks and natural monuments are an anchor for the development of ecotourism.

The economic recovery that we are victoriously leading, against unilateral coercive measures, is reflected in the monthly flow of visitors to our natural and recreational parks throughout the country, which generates an economic activity that is estimated at more than 20 million dollars in that goes from the year 2022, for local tour operators (guides, restaurants, carriers, inns, and artisans). Our parks have received 5,122,418 visitors between January and June.

They also offer environmental services, essential to complete this framework of Protection - Economy - Preservation.

1) Environmental education is essential to forge ecosocialist citizenship: Training activities are carried out in our parks that have benefited 512,734 visitors between January and June.

2) Ecological Showcase, with stands present in the parks to educate about human and natural footprints and the reuse of waste.

3) Digital Ecological Showcase, which generates content for social networks, together with the exuberant photographs that exhibit the Flourishing Venezuela with its landscapes, our people, the rich and varied gastronomy typical of each region.

Perhaps the most important aspect of our protection policy is the relationship between our parks and the 81 hydrographic basins of Venezuela. 90% of our National System of Protected Areas are home to the main hydrographic basins, guaranteeing the protection of the nation's freshwater reserves. This raises the quality of our protection policy, also considering that the Key Biodiversity Areas (KBA) coincide in more than 80% with the National System of Parks and Protection Areas.

All this information gives us reason to revive national pride,

we live in a very unique and rich country from all points of view. In particular, the wealth provided by the natural heritage through its preservation generates potentialities for sustainable development, while at the same time providing mental health, recreation, and spirituality for our people in harmonious relationship with the environment.

The Venezuela Power is built from the protection of its ecosystems, to guarantee water, biodiversity, clean energy, economy, good living for our people and the peoples of the world that visit us.

Building the Ecosocialist Homeland is a task for all of us hand in hand with our Bolivarian Government, in unity, harmony and with the respect that Mother Earth deserves, to continue being a world example in the protection and preservation of our natural heritage.

Our Greatest Resource is our People, Long Live the Beautiful Homeland of Bolívar and Chávez, Long Live Venezuela!





## Up to date with Nicolás

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07/28/2022

The meeting between the Foreign Minister appointed by the President of Colombia @ petrogustavo , Álvaro Leyva and the Foreign Minister of Venezuela, Carlos Faría , was successful and virtuous, of union in the spirit of Bolívar. The future to come will be better, a reunion of our countries.



@NicolasMaduro

07/27/2022

Chavez We Are All and All! He is among us, giving us all his strength in every fight and battle in these years that we have faced harsh criminal aggression against the Venezuelan people. Today we remain united, seeing the future.



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07/27/2022

Honored to attend the International Colloquium "Bolívar and San Martín", an important day full of brilliance and light, which has delved into the depths of a unique and historic moment, the meeting of two giants, of the Liberators. Real Heroes of the Great Homeland!

