

CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS

South America and Mexico platform

	CSO	About NGO	UNCAC-related Experience
Argentina	Fundación Poder Ciudadano (Transparency International)	Founded in 1989, FPC promotes citizen participation, transparency, and access to public information to strengthen the institutions of democracy through collective action. FPC has become a pioneer in the fight against corruption, placing the issue on the public agenda and generating concrete actions in the public and private sectors. It is the Argentinian Chapter of TI since 1993.	FPC monitors UNCAC compliance at the national and sub-national levels. It promotes the development of strategic judicial actions to legally demand compliance with the country's obligations and to search for national, local, and regional judicial records on the scope of those obligations. The CSO participated in the 2019 Cartagena Regional Conference and the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.
	Fundación para el Desarrollo de Políticas Sustentables (FUNDEPS)	FUNDEPS is a founding member of the Network of Anti-Corruption Organizations (ROCC). Since its foundation in 2009, through democratic and participatory processes, the organization has worked towards an inclusive society that promotes human rights and sustainable development.	FUNDEPS works on issues related to chapter II of the UNCAC, such as public procurement and public information. FUNDEPS has developed a citizen monitoring platform to provide citizens with control tools to prevent corruption in the area of infrastructure projects - http://moci.fundeps.org . The CSO participated in the 2019 Cartagena Regional Conference and the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.
	Equipo Latinoamericano de Justicia y Género (ELA)	ELA promotes the exercise of women's rights and gender equality through law and public policies. It promotes budget analysis with a gender perspective, the analysis of accountability mechanisms in the area of women's rights, and the analysis of transparency and access to information mechanisms.	ELA's work revolves around promoting the strengthening of preventive measures established in Chapter II of the UNCAC. Since 2015, it has carried out the analysis of the national budget to influence policies aimed at gender equality. In 2018, the organization conducted an investigation in Argentina on access to information and transparency in institutional matters for the advancement of women's rights. The CSO participated in the 2019 Cartagena Regional Conference organized by UNODC.
Bolivia	Red Nacional de Participación Ciudadana y Control Social (Red PCCS)	Red PCCS works to strengthen civil society and mechanisms of rapprochement with the State in search of a participatory and transparent public management. The main methods of intervention are the processes of citizen training for the evaluation of levels of transparency and accountability of the State.	The work of Red PCCS is related to UNCAC Articles 10 and 13. Regarding its actions on public information, it has developed two initiatives: the first is the Municipal Openness and Transparency Index, which has institutional transparency as one of its components; the second, work in partnership for the promotion of a public policy of access to public information. The CSO participated in the 2019 Cartagena Regional Conference organized by UNODC.

	Fundación Jubileo	Fundación Jubileo undertakes research and socio-political training processes that seek to build capacities for political advocacy, and open civil society and state structures.	Fundación Jubileo encourages the participation of civil society and its intervention in the UNCAC self-evaluation stage. It develops dialogue with civil society on activities to monitor the country's performance in the implementation of the UNCAC. This helps obtain evidence and data that can be used in advocacy processes at the local and national level. The CSO participated in the 2019 Cartagena Regional Conference and the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.
	Fundación CONSTRUIR	Fundación CONSTRUIR works on actions on transparency and access to public information within the framework of cross-sectional programmes: i) Indigenous Rights, ii) Access to Justice, ii) Democracy, Human Rights and Freedoms Fundamentals.	Since 2019, Fundación CONSTRUIR has worked with CSOs to monitor the anti-corruption agenda from the perspective of the impact on human rights. The CSO participated in the 2019 Cartagena Regional Conference and the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.

Brazil	Instituto Brasileiro de Governança Corporativa (IBGC)	IBGC is the leading voice in corporate governance in Brazil and worldwide. The organization develops and disseminates research reports and handbooks, influences policies in the corporate governance arena, organizes training programs and events, certifies professionals, and provides a networking environment.	IBGC engages in dialogue with policy makers and regulators, coordinates a specific commission to explore ethics in corporate governance, offers a compliance training program, advocates for compliance, monitors the adoption of corporate governance practices required by law for state-owned enterprises and works to avoid political-party influence in selection of directors of state-owned enterprises and regulatory agencies. The CSO participated in the 2019 Cartagena Regional Conference and the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.
	Transparencia Internacional - Brasil (Transparency International Chapter)	TI Brazil was established in 2016 and has positioned itself as a leading anti-corruption organization in Latin America. The thematic portfolio within TI Brazil comprises initiatives on local governance, businesses, and the environment.	Since 2016, TI Brazil has published reports on different aspects of the UNCAC: money laundering, the 100 biggest companies in the country and their commitment to transparency and anti-corruption, and Brazil's business integrity agenda. It has also led the development of the 'New Measures against Corruption' – a package comprised of 70 anti-corruption proposals, considered the world's largest anti-corruption legislative package. TI Brazil contributed to the UNCAC review mechanism and took part in the Expert Group Meeting on Corruption involving Vast Quantities of Asset (Lima, Peru 2018). The CSO participated in the 2019 Cartagena Regional Conference and the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.
	Open Knowledge Brasil	Over the last 6 years, OKB has played a key role in strengthening the ecosystem of open data and civic tech in Brazil with projects like Serenata de Amor, one of the most successful data science and AI civic projects in the country, and Open Data Index, an assessment methodology that provides a comprehensive view of the state of open government data in the country and major cities.	OKB developed the civic tool Parlametria - Making Sense of Legislative Data, aimed at empowering citizens and organizations to follow closely what happens within Congress not only in terms of spending, but also with proposals and public policies being discussed. The CSO participated in the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.

	<p>Movimento de Combate à Corrupção Eleitoral (MCCE)</p>	<p>MCCE is a network formed by civil society entities, movements, and social and religious organizations that aims to combat electoral corruption, as well as to conduct educational work on the importance of voting, always seeking for a fairer and more transparent political and electoral scenario.</p>	<p>MCCE performs social control of the government's budget and public administration machinery. It aims to prevent the diversion of public resources for electoral purposes and monitors the actions of candidates. The organization contributes towards voter awareness through meetings, presentations, and seminars offered in municipalities. The CSO participated in the 2019 Cartagena Regional Conference organized by UNODC.</p>

Colombia		<p>Datasketch</p>	<p>Datasketch fights against corruption through projects that provide access to information related to the mitigation of corrupt practices, particularly on issues related to the political power of individuals and organizations, public procurement, and elections.</p>	<p>Datasketch carried out a journalistic investigation that analyzed 6.2 million public contracts in Colombia. It created tools that seek to cross-reference hiring information with other sources, such as the financing of electoral campaigns and the spheres of influence of each contractor and candidate in Colombia – http://elecciones-contratos.monitorciudadano.co. Datasketch created the platform "Queremos Datos", which allows citizens to request information from public entities that are either state-funded or that manage public funds. The platform stores requests and their corresponding answers for the public domain. The CSO participated in the 2019 Cartagena Regional Conference and the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.</p>
		<p>Corporación OCASA</p>	<p>OCASA promotes transparency in public administration and effective access to public information, providing tools that improve the capacity of young people to demand measures and follow up on advocacy policies through leadership.</p>	<p>OCASA participated in the second edition of the magazine Destápate with an article on the National Conversations within the framework of the National Strike that started in November 2019. OCASA developed a workshop on the Elections of Youth Councils with the participation of 100 young people whose questions were resolved, such as the legal bases of the elections and the Councils, the current operation, its future projection, and its composition. The CSO participated in the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.</p>
		<p>Corporación Excelencia en la Justicia (CEJ)</p>	<p>CEJ monitors public policies, encourages citizen control, and demands accountability from the justice sector. It also highlights best legal practices, the improvement of the public justice service, and encourages citizen education.</p>	<p>On behalf of civil society, CEJ will compile more than 206 citizen proposals that will form the basis for a draft of the justice reform within the framework of the consultation that was carried out to lay the foundations for a judicial reform in agreement with citizens. The CSO participated in the 2019 Cartagena Regional Conference organized by UNODC.</p>

	<p>Transparencia por Colombia (Transparency International)</p>	<p>Since 1998, TI Colombia has led civil society in the fight against corruption and for transparency in public and private matters to promote active citizenship, strengthen institutions, and consolidate democratic institutions.</p>	<p>TI Colombia promotes the UNCAC through awareness, training, and technical assistance. It participates in dialogue with the national government and international experts in the framework of national reports. The organization incorporates the national commitments and recommendations of the UNCAC in its methodologies for investigation, monitoring, and technical advice in initiatives such as the Transparency Index of Public Entities, the Bogotá Transparency Index, and the Citizen Monitor of Corruption. The CSO participated in the 2019 Cartagena Regional Conference and the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.</p>
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Chile	<p>Chile Transparente (Transparency International)</p>	<p>TI Chile seeks to make a substantive contribution to the fight against corruption and bad practices in Chile, promoting the creation of a culture of probity and transparency. It promotes reporting systems - https://denunciacorrupcion.cl, carries out promotion and awareness of the consequences of corruption, as well as studies that allow an understanding of the phenomenon of corruption in Chile and Latin America.</p>	<p>TI Chile monitors the implementation of the Convention, prepares follow-up reports, and carries out promotion and prevention activities in alliance with other CSOs and public bodies to strengthen good anti-corruption practices. Through ALAC, the organization offers free legal assistance to victims, witnesses, and whistleblowers of acts of corruption that involve authorities and public officials. This whistleblower mechanism seeks to promote citizen participation, providing a secure and confidential channel through which anyone can report possible acts of corruption. The CSO participated in the 2019 Cartagena Regional Conference and the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.</p>
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Ecuador	<p>Fundación Ciudadanía y Desarrollo (FCD)</p>	<p>Since 2009, through research and citizenship education, FCD intends to promote and defend the rule of law, democratic principles and individual freedom, as well as to promote citizen participation, social control, transparency, open government and public innovation.</p>	<p>FCD has established several Observatories (Legislative, Judicial, Public Expenditure and Anticorruption) from which monitoring, analysis and advocacy are carried out. FCD has led the process for Ecuador to join the Open Government Alliance and is currently the civil society contact point. FCD also participated in regional meetings organized by UNODC. FCD presented a proposal within the Small Grants Scheme to Fast-Track UNCAC in South America and Mexico and obtained funding for a project focused on access to public information. The CSO participated in the 2019 Cartagena Regional Conference and the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.</p>
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Mexico	Fundación Esquel	For 30 years, Esquel has contributed to the sustainable human development, the improvement of the quality of life of the less privileged, and the construction of a democratic, responsible and supportive society in Ecuador.	In an initiative with other organizations in the country, Esquel presented a draft of the Anti-Corruption Law to assembly members on 23 June 2020. This initiative sought to introduce improvements that prevent impunity from being the norm and penalties, the exception. The project encouraged complaints, reducing the possibilities of retaliation against the whistleblower, and the participation of citizens in trials to reduce the possibilities of political contamination. The CSO participated in the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.
	Corporación Participación Ciudadana	Corporación Participación Ciudadana offers a contribution from civil society to strengthen democracy and transparency in public activities and political processes in Ecuador.	Corporación Participación Ciudadana urges the authorities to create a law on extinction of domain. It also emphasizes that the country does not need just a law, but an anti-corruption system, ahead of elections in 2021. The CSO participated in the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.
	Observatorio de Derechos y Justicia (ODJ)	Since 2014, ODJ has worked for the promotion and protection of judicial independence, human rights, and transparency in Ecuador based on technical and legal work. The organization's work includes reporting, local and international strategic litigation, training, and outreach.	ODJ is monitoring the implementation of the UNCAC in Ecuador through requests for information from various government agencies to determine the degree of implementation. ODJ has created five macro indicators that address the obligations arising from the instruments and allow citizens to understand more easily the findings of the research or, simply, the obligations arising from the Convention. The CSO participated in the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.

Mexico	Fundar, Centro de Análisis e Investigación	Fundar generates evidence and institutional monitoring to strengthen accountability and build public policies against corruption, so that the rights of the entire population are respected and guaranteed.	In 2017, Fundar participated in the thematic meetings organized by UNODC in Mexico for the creation of an intergovernmental mechanism for review of the UNCAC. They implemented projects allow the organization to monitor compliance with the provisions of the UNCAC in Mexico. The CSO participated in the 2019 Cartagena Regional Conference and the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.
	Transparencia Mexicana (Transparency International)	Since 1999, TI Mexico has fought against corruption by taking into consideration the various stages of the anti-corruption policy cycle: prevention, detection, investigation, sanction, asset recovery, and damage repair. TI Mexico advocate public policies and corporate governance that aim to change the institutional framework, strengthen the rule of law, and dismantle corruption networks.	TI Mexico is part of the UNCAC Review Mechanism and has monitored the implementation of this and other Conventions and international commitments related to anti-corruption, open government, transparency, open contracting and sustainable development. TI Mexico has also participated in the advocacy for compliance of these international conventions and commitments in Mexico, as well as in the regional events organized by UNODC. TI Mexico presented a proposal within the Small Grants Scheme to Fast-Track UNCAC in South America and Mexico and obtained funding for a project focused on integrity in public procurement. The CSO participated in the

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Contraloría Ciudadana para la Rendición de Cuentas (CCRC)	<p>ONG CCRC promotes verification, surveillance, monitoring, and evaluation of institutional actions and processes in matters of public interest to monitor their correct performance. It carries out liaison tasks with public entities to formulate and carry out exercises in which access to public governmental information becomes the key for citizens and public servants to access effective accountability and prevention of corruption.</p>	<p>ONG CCRC participates as a Social Witness in public procurement processes to prevent unlawful conduct and intervene with actions that allow for the transition from a culture of corruption to one of legality. In 2015, the organization created "Testimonioteca: Una Ventana Ciudadana de Acceso a la Información Pública", which collects testimonies issued by Social Witnesses after their interventions in public procurement processes in Mexico. The CSO participated in the 2019 Cartagena Regional Conference and the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.</p>
Animal Politico/Sinapsis	<p>Animal Político run an investigative news website that puts citizens at the centre, privileging dialogue with them and covering issues that affect them, such as corruption, insecurity, inequality in the country, gender-based violence, and discrimination.</p>	<p>Two of Animal Político's largest reports on corruption, "Empresas Fantasma de Veracruz" and "La Estafa Maestra", resulted in several officials being prosecuted and two of them jailed as a result of the journalistic revelation. During these investigations, the organization detected the need for a tool that would facilitate the analysis of databases on fraudulent companies and so, developed Sinapsis, a free and open source tool that allows the visualization of connections between companies, thus promoting the detection of acts of corruption in Latin America. It is a software designed to investigate the relationship between the government and fraudulent companies. The CSO participated in the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.</p>
Project on Organization, Development, Education and Research (PODER)	<p>Founded in 2010, PODER aims to advocate for corporate transparency and accountability in Latin American countries from a human rights perspective, and to empower civil society actors affected by corporate practices to serve as the main advocates of accountability in the long term.</p>	<p>PODER engages in advocacy at various levels and with various actors in order to advance the business and human rights agenda and to ensure that businesses in Mexico and Latin America are held accountable for their actions. It forges networks with other organizations and communities to achieve a broader representation on local and global levels for the voices of communities that might otherwise be left out of the dialogue between companies and the State. The CSO participated in the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.</p>

Paraguay	Semillas para la Democracia	<p>Semillas para la Democracia promotes citizen control and advocacy in the government, bringing forth issues such as political financing, electoral reform, ethics in justice, transparency in the selection of judges and in the administration of public money, the fulfilment of the commitments assumed by the governments, and democratic governance. It has played an active role in the approval process of the Law on Access to Public Information.</p>	<p>Semillas para la Democracia has signed an agreement with the Anti-Corruption Secretariat (SENAC) and has met with the team in charge of preparing the report on the UNCAC Review Mechanism, in which the organization has agreed to participate. The organization has broad experience in advocacy and will work on this subject in order to achieve broad participation of civil society in the report. Semillas presented a proposal within the Small Grants Scheme to Fast-Track UNCAC in South America and Mexico and obtained funding for a project focused on access to information and integrity in public procurement. The CSO participated in the 2019 Cartagena Regional Conference and the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.</p>
	Instituto de Derecho y Economía Ambiental (IDEA)	<p>Founded in 1996, IDEA is the only CSO dedicated to the study and promotion of environmental law. It has complemented its initial focus with the defense of the rights of access to information, citizen participation and justice, influencing public policies of transparency and democratic governance in Paraguay.</p>	<p>IDEA, together with other CSOs, drafted the Access to Public Information Law enacted in 2014. It also drafted the Regulatory Decree of the Law of AIP and the agreements that establish the judicial procedure in case of denial of AIP, and the management of public information in the Judiciary. It conducts court cases to obtain information on potential corruption and has litigated to obtain affidavits from government officials. The organization works closely with journalists and activists, and trains judicial magistrates on the implementation of international standards. The CSO participated in the 2019 Cartagena Regional Conference and the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.</p>

Peru	Proética (Transparency International)	<p>Proética is the Peruvian Chapter of Transparency International and in 2002 became the first Peruvian NGO dedicated exclusively to promoting ethics and fighting corruption. Since then, it has carried out different activities with the aim of eradicating corruption in the country, studying this phenomenon and its causes.</p>	<p>In 2011, Proética prepared a report on the monitoring of the implementation of the UNCAC in Peru. In 2012, it participated in UNCAC implementation evaluation meetings on chapters III "Criminalization and Law Enforcement" and IV "International Judicial Cooperation". In 2019, the organization participated in evaluation meetings of implementation of chapters II "Preventive Measures" and V "Asset Recovery" of the UNCAC. The CSO participated in the 2019 Cartagena Regional Conference and the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.</p>

	Asociación Civil Japiqay, Memoria y Ciudadanía	<p>Japiqay seeks to combat the "culture of secrecy" and collective amnesia: key allies of corruption and impunity. The organization promotes the strengthening of transparency and citizen participation at national and subnational levels through memory recovery and access to information.</p>	<p>Japiqay is starting follow-up work towards the fulfilment of the UNCAC by the Peruvian State. This involves starting the process to request being part of the Review Mechanism as well as the periodic elaboration of "shadow" reports. The CSO participated in the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.</p>
	Asociación Civil Transparencia	<p>Founded in 1994, Asociación Civil Transparencia works for the quality of democracy and political representation in Peru.</p>	<p>In recent years, Asociación Civil Transparencia has fostered a public debate that seeks the implementation of reforms that improve institutional performance. The proposed reform program has been linked to an environment with serious accusations of corruption involving political leaders, high-level authorities, judges, prosecutors, and private companies. The CSO participated in the 2019 Cartagena Regional Conference and the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.</p>

Uruguay	Comisión Uruguaya de Lucha Contra la Corrupción - Uruguay Transparente	<p>Founded in 1995, Uruguay Transparente was the first CSO to fully address the fight against corruption in the country. It is a benchmark in terms of experience and uninterrupted action. The organization maintains a direct complaint mechanism that is open to citizens.</p>	
			<p>Uruguay Transparente has been monitoring compliance with the UNCAC in the country since 2011. It made parallel reports from civil society and followed up with the Uruguayan state benchmark. It also held interviews with external evaluators during their country visits within the framework of UNCAC. The organization participated as an observer in the Fifth Session of the Conference of States Parties to UNCAC in 2013. The CSO participated in the 2019 Cartagena Regional Conference and the 2020 Quito Follow-Up Roundtable organized by UNODC.</p>