

# Region III

## Latin America and Caribbean

Colombia



### Spiral World Foundation

NGO accredited to provide advisory services to the Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage

Geographic Coverage of NGO's expertise: Colombia.



#### Relevant projects or initiatives

Between 2014 and 2019, Mundo Espiral carried out an investigation and jointly prepared with the tradition bearers the nomination file and special plan for the safeguarding of the "Traditional knowledge and techniques associated with Pasto varnish mopa-mopa of Putumayo and Nariño", as intangible cultural heritage of the municipality, department, nation, and humanity (via UNESCO), with the support of the Ministry of Culture, Government of Nariño, and the Mayor's Office of Pasto. The element was inscribed in 2020 on the UNESCO List of Intangible Cultural Heritage in Need of Urgent Safeguarding.

In 2020, Mundo Espiral was the winner of the Ministry of Culture's Stimulus Prize, with the project: "Touristic Route of the mopa-mopa Pasto Varnish". In 2021, it created the virtual exhibition "A walk on the clouds: the mopa-mopa collectors in Putumayo", as an alternative form of dissemination of ICH.

#### NGO's activity networks and more information



#### Vision

Mundo Espiral is a non-governmental non-profit organization, whose main purpose is to contribute to peaceful coexistence, as well as to the integral and sustainable human development of the population, through the execution of projects, programs, and plans based on human rights, the differential approach and the ethics of action without harm.

#### Mission

Mundo Espiral aims for the protection and safeguarding of cultural heritage in Colombia, through the investigation and preparation of inventories and the creation of files for inclusion of the region, nation, and humanity (via UNESCO) along with the implementation of dissemination strategies. These processes are carried out with the participation of the communities, ministries, local governments and international organizations.

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#### Main areas of work related to the Convention



Knowledge and practices concerning nature and the universe; traditional craftsmanship; oral traditions and expressions; social practices, rituals, and festive events; including the relationship between tourism and cultural heritage.

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