Welcome to the third edition of Colombia PUEDE’s newsletter. Our project is financed by the European Union Trust Fund for Colombia. This newsletter will shed light on the activities carried out in 2021. These include cooperation agreements with various beneficiary organizations, delivering computer equipment and office furniture to producer associations, as well as investments in post-harvest management infrastructure for cocoa producers in Tumaco and Policarpa.

**Building hope in Nariño**

Cocoa producers’ associations in Tumaco and Policarpa are set to meet the quality and volume requirements of their customers. The project has invested approximately USD 140,000 in infrastructure improvements geared towards enhancing the post-harvest process in cocoa collection centers. Similarly, lime producers will ensure fruit quality through appropriate handling with the delivery of 3,300 reusable packaging baskets for product transport. This will be complemented by improvements in associations’ tracking and traceability processes through the provision of IT tools and office supplies.

**Cooperation agreements to continue promoting peace**

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**Meet the Colombia PUEDE main leads in the following video:**

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**Colombia PUEDE in numbers**

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Take note of the most relevant project achievements! Here you can see the results at the level of outcomes and outputs.

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