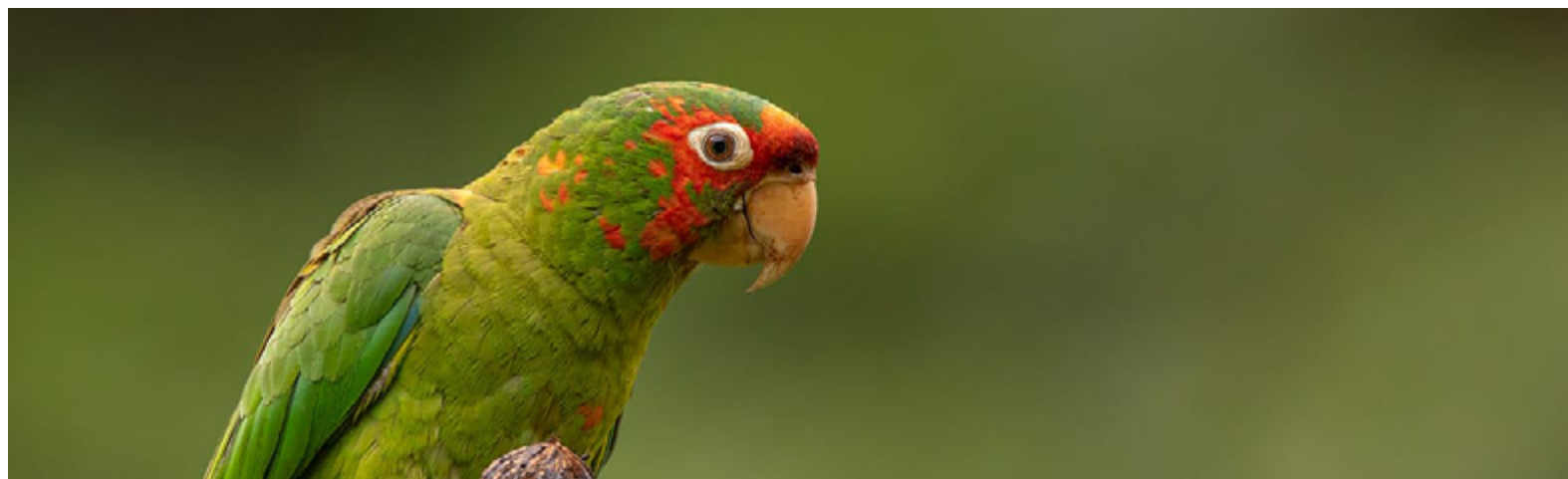




EcoRegistros

Geographic record of living organisms



Objectives

Overall goals:

- Identify species.
- Create species datasheets.
- Disseminate the findings of scientific research.
- Perform a leisure activity.

Specific goals:

- Mapping and determining the geographic distribution of different species on the basis of the data recorded by the community, considering three options:
 - All records, including those which are not supported by evidence. This implies that more data will be displayed on datasheets and maps. This is very useful for easily identified species.
 - Only records supported by evidence. This means that datasheets and maps will contain more reliable data, which may be easily validated. This is very useful for species which are harder to identify.
 - Only such records containing reproduction information. This requires knowledge on species reproduction, and all geographic data which are not relevant to this topic will be discarded.
- Generate lists of species for each country, province and district.
- Record nature-related events.
- Generate personal statistics for each user regarding the species recorded, the number of records entered, and the areas visited.

Description of citizen participation

Citizens take part in recording species by providing accurate coordinates and dates, photographs, video or audio recordings.

Type of citizen science project

Collaborative project: Citizens participate in data collection and analysis.

Participating parties.

- Naturalists
- Biologists
- Nature photographers
- Persons interested in recording data on living organisms

Status. In progress.

Time frame 07/02/2011 – N/A

Frequency of project execution. Uninterruptedly.

Participation period. On a sustained basis.

Scope of the initiative. International (two or more countries).

Geographic scope. Argentina and other countries.

Project development members. It has been developed with the collaboration of both scientists and participants without formal training.

Number of participants. Over 1001.

Action/s involving citizen participation

- Data collection.
- Data analysis.

Technological device/tool required.

- Cell phone
- Photographic camera
- Binoculars
- Telescope
- Audio recorder
- Video camera
- Laptop

Recruitment methods. Through social media dissemination campaigns.

Replicability. Don't know/No answer.

Scalability. The project originated in Argentina but has a global reach.

Open access to data. Professionals usually request species datasets for their research. The articles published on *EcoRegistros Revista* are shared, and they are cited in other publications. All records, maps and lists posted on the website are available for use under the relevant terms and conditions.

Feedback. Project findings are published on the magazine, the monthly newsletter, and social media. Alerts are also sent with news on the geographic location of relevant species.

Linkage with state agency/government. –

Institutional funds. Project's own funding sources.

Awards/distinctions. –

Classification of knowledge areas (OECD).

NATURAL SCIENCES / Earth and related Environmental sciences
NATURAL SCIENCES / Biological sciences

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