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Juan Pablo Guzmán holds a B.A. in International Relations and Political Science from Universidad San Francisco de Quito, a Master's in Comparative Politics from FLACSO Ecuador, and a Diploma in Early Childhood Development from Universidad del Pacífico (Peru). He is a public policy consultant and expert in project management and strategic planning. Currently, he serves as Public Policy and Advocacy Manager at Fundación REDNI.

With over 11 years of experience leading high-performance teams, he has designed and implemented social development projects and public policies focused on improving the well-being of children and families in Ecuador. Additionally, he has worked as a social scientist, researcher, and speaker for more than 15 years, participating in academic, social, and institutional forums in Ecuador, Colombia, Panama, the Philippines, and beyond.

His work integrates evidence-based policy design, multisectoral coordination, and advocacy strategies to drive sustainable social change.



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Mission:

REDNI is a civil society initiative established as a foundation in December 2021. Our goal is to contribute to eradicating chronic childhood malnutrition while ensuring the comprehensive development of children under two years of age. We believe that a country's greatest asset is its human capital, and if this capital is preserved, the country will have a better future. We believe that providing children with a supportive environment from the beginning of life is the first step toward reducing inequality.

Vision:

Help ensure that Ecuadorian children have the best possible first 1,000 days so they can access a better future and achieve their dreams.

Top Challenges

- Political instability which affects policy continuity and implementation.
- Ensuring the quality and effectiveness of public policies related to stunting.
- Mobilizing sustainable financial resources to support long-term interventions.



Successes

–We have generated evidence-based advocacy, and strengthened public policies for the eradication of stunting and promoted early childhood development as a national priority. –Through a combination of technical expertise, evidence-based advocacy, strategic political engagement, and broad societal mobilization, we were able to institutionalize a national public policy on stunting prevention, sustained across three administrations. This initiative helped Ecuador improve its ranking in Latin America, moving from the second to the fourth country in stunting prevalence.



WHAT REDNI WANTS TO GET OUT OF THIS GLOBAL CONVENING

Access to new knowledge, innovative strategies, and international connections to enhance the quality and scalability of Ecuador's early childhood development policies.