

# CARTAGENA +40

Declaración y Plan de Acción  
de Chile 2024-2034

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# 40 years of the Cartagena Process

The **1984 Cartagena Declaration on Refugees** is a milestone in the generous tradition of solidarity and cooperation in the Americas towards asylum and refugee protection.

The Declaration established an innovative and flexible framework to respond comprehensively to regional legal and humanitarian problems regarding international protection.

It recommended the adoption of an **expanded definition of a refugee**, extending protection to people forced to flee in situations other than those covered by the **1951 Convention** relating to the Status of Refugees.

From there, the Cartagena Process has been a continuous and evolutionary effort by Latin America and the Caribbean to strengthen the international system for protection of refugees, forcibly displaced persons, and stateless persons. Through its declarations and action plans, this process has demonstrated the commitment of countries in the region to address legal and humanitarian challenges related to protection and the search for durable solutions.

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**1984**

Cartagena Declaration on Refugees

**1994**

San Jose Declaration on Refugees and Displaced Persons

**2004**

Declaration and Mexico Plan of Action to Foster the Refugee international Protection in the Americas (2004 - 2014)

**2014**

Declaration and Brazil Plan of Action, Regional Cooperation and Solidarity Framework to Foster International Protection to Refugees, Displaced and Stateless in Latin América and the Caribbean (2014 - 2024)

**2024**

Cartagena +40 – towards the Declaration and Chile Plan of Action (2024 - 2034)

# Strategic relevance of the Cartagena + 40 Process

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Common strategic framework in the area of protection and solutions

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Gathers all the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean

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It's based on solidarity, colaboration and shared responsibility

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Its humanitarian and non political

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Creates judicial and humanitarian solutions

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Takes care of current and future challenges

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It's visionary and flexible

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It has been an sustantive contribution to Refugee International Law and the Global Refugee Compact

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# CARTAGENA +40 PROCESS



01

## LAUNCH C+40 at the II Global Refugee Forum

December 12, 2023, Geneva

- High Level Event (Colombia, Brasil y Chile)
- Cartagena + 40 Megapledge at the GRF

02

## REGIONAL CONSULTATIONS

April to June, 2024, Mexico, Brasil and Colombia

03

## NEGOTIATIONS of the Declaration and Chile Plan of Action

September to November 2024, Geneva

04

## ADOPTION of the Declaration and Chile Action Plan 2024-2034

December 11 and 12, in Santiago, Chile

# AREAS OF WORK – Declaration and Chile Plan of Action

**01**

**Protection for persons  
in human mobility y  
stateless**

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Support of the  
Interamerican  
Commission on Human  
Rights

**02**

**Integral Strategies for  
solutions**

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Support of the  
Interamerican  
Development Bank  
(IDB)

**03**

**Protection in the  
context of forced  
displacement due to  
disasters**

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Support of the Platform for  
Disaster Displacement  
(PDD)

# Work strategy - Declaration and Chile Action Plan

**Creation of a strategic and solidarity roadmap towards strengthening protection and durable solutions for the next decade in the countries of origin, transit, destination and return of Latin America and the Caribbean**

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**Regional implementation adapted from the 2018 Global Compact on Refugees**

- Linkage with the Global Refugee Forums
  - Broad involvement of other stakeholders in the construction of the Plan and its implementation (Support Platform, monitoring mechanism)
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**Articulation, synergies and complementarities with other regional forums**

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**Expected results:**

- Strengthening solutions: shared opportunities
  - Regionalization of good practices
  - Achieve stability in the region
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