

Our Vision for Hatun Tinkuy 2024

We will create a space for mutual learning to transform mountain science and sustainable development to be more collaborative, just, impactful, and based on multiple values and knowledge systems.

- Finding common ground: Participants from mountain communities, academia and nongovernmental organizations will reflect upon issues facing mountain peoples today: migration, loss of glaciers and water sources, lack of effective economies, loss of youth and traditional knowledges, lower soil productivity, among others. Mountain communities will lead discussions on actions for transformation and visions of the future. We will explore challenges and solutions across mountains worldwide.
- Exchanging knowledges: We are developing several exciting training opportunities. These may include both short trainings on natural resource management techniques presented by communities and/or with NGOs (e.g. Quispillacta with ABA-Ayacucho presents a short workshop on how to build an infiltration lagoon in the puna; Miraflores with Instituto de Montaña the experience of bringing water for drinking troughs and changes in pasture rotation in extensive grazing) that will likely include field visits. The Mountain Sentinels team is developing training on Indigenous data sovereignty/governance and inclusive communication.
- **Developing Collective Solutions:** We will exchange experiences and solutions for reducing current barriers and creating opportunities for mountain communities. Collectively, we will discuss issues and solutions especially highlighting, where appropriate, the role of local and Indigenous knowledges in these solutions. Although the main focus is on the experiences of communities, representatives of academic groups and non-governmental organizations are asked to identify the best transformative experiences of their work with mountain communities in the spirit of a collaborative exchange. Communities will lead reflections and discussions after each section. Community representatives raise questions, concerns, and their reflections on the experiences presented by academia and non-governmental organizations.
- **Regional Coordination and Actions:** A key goal is the formation of a cooperative network among the participating communities and others interested in the future. This activity follows up on a prior effort initiated by Instituto de Montana in cooperation with ABA-Ayacucho. This cooperative network could be continued within the framework of the Mountain Sentinels Alliance. We aim to establish a permanent network and/or annual conference based on the dialogue and knowledges of priority topics and cutting-edge experiences in the Andean region.