



**Organization of
American States**

***Comprehensive Action
against Antipersonnel Mines***

***Assistance Program for
Control of Arms and Munitions***

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The OAS in Focus

- Chartered in 1948
- 35 independent American states
- Pillars
 - Democracy
 - Human rights
 - Security
 - Development.
- Mandates from OAS General Assembly
- Funding
 - Member state quotas for core political functions
 - Donor contributions for specific programs and projects





A regional approach to mine action

Since 1991:

- **Over 200,000 landmines cleared**
- **More than a million stockpiled mines destroyed**
- **Over a million people in more than 1,500 affected communities educated about mine risks**
- **1,500 landmine victims assisted**

Guatemala
1997 - 2005

Nicaragua
1993 - 2010

Colombia
Start - 2005

Ecuador
Start - 2001

Peru
Start - 2001

Chile
Start - 2004

Honduras
1995 - 2004

Costa Rica
1996 - 2002

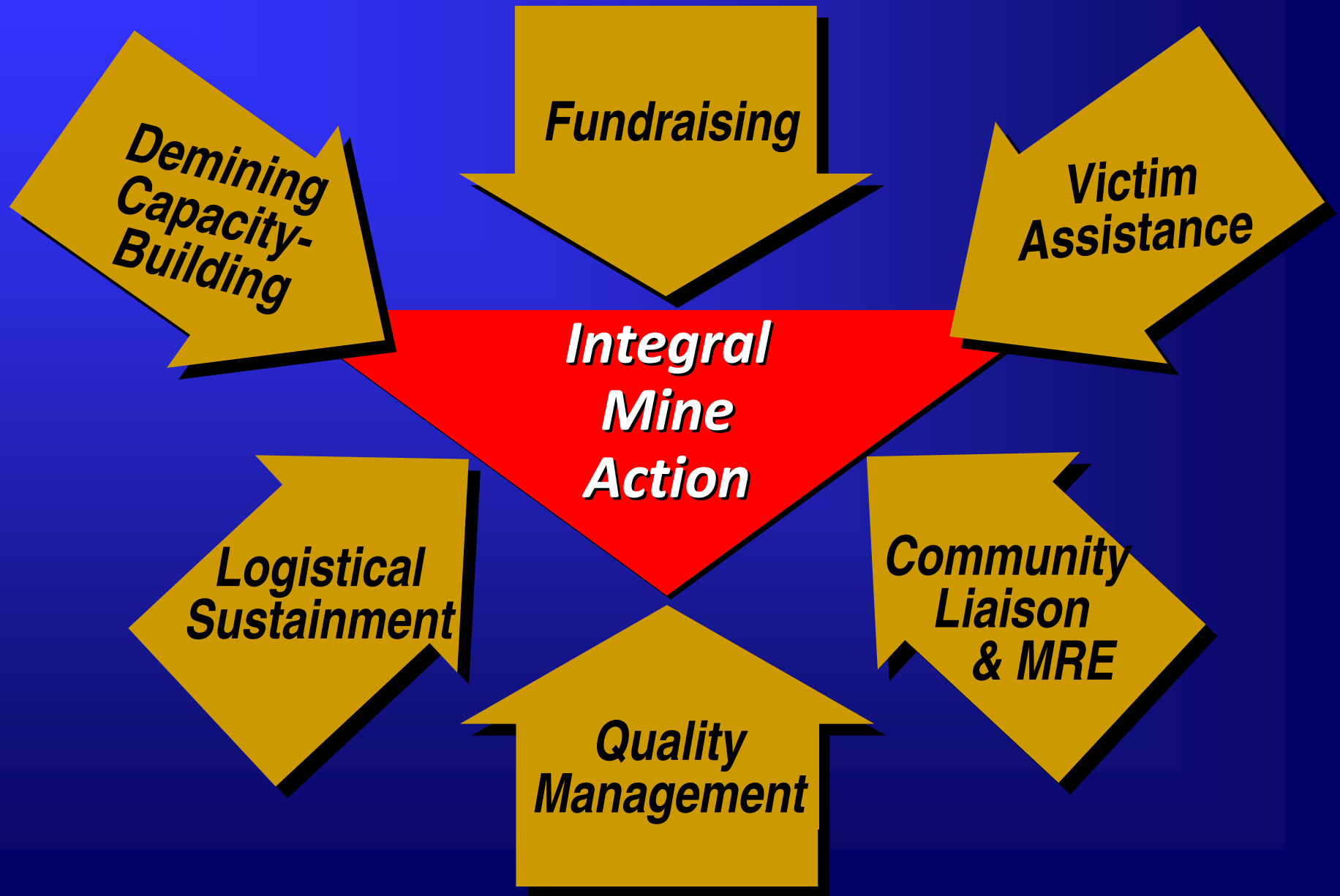
Suriname
2005

Argentina
2003 (stockpiles)

“Convert the Americas into the world’s first antipersonnel-landmine-free zone.” - OAS General Assembly Resolution 2809, June 2013



Mine Action Support





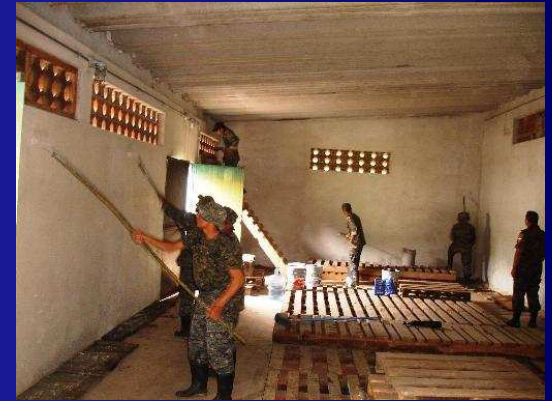
Mine Action Projects 2014

Funding Country	Requirements forecast (USD)	Currently available (USD)	Donors
Colombia	Demining support for CO military, community liaison, MRE		
	\$3,957,652.00	\$690,016.00	USA
	Demining quality management – military / civilian		
	\$892,528.00	\$242,774.00	USA Colombia
	Victim assistance		
	\$143,122.00	\$30,633.00	USA Colombia
Ecuador and Peru	Victim assistance		
	\$92,596.00	\$92,596.00	Belgium Italy



Control of Arms, Munitions and Explosives

- Based on Inter-American Convention (CIFTA)
- OAS assistance and capabilities
 - EOD training (locally and with Spain MOD)
 - Mobile SALW destruction capacity
 - Destruction of expired, deteriorating and excess munitions
 - Abandoned munitions clearance and area remediation
 - Assistance with physical security, stockpile management and transport
 - Marking / tracing equipment
- Results
 - Over 33,000 SALW destroyed
 - Nearly 1,700 tons of munitions eliminated
 - Over 400 national personnel trained in stockpile management and destruction
 - 47 EOD technicians trained to IMAS level 3





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Thank you