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## **Divuligation and Communication Strategy for Social Risk Mangement, facilitating scenarios between the Nevado del Huila volcano and the Nasa educative Community.**

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This experience is based on lessons learned from the Nasa indigenous community (Cauca-Colombia) and their empowerment over the past 22 years to survive and recover from the devastating impacts of the earthquake that gave rise to the flood of June 6, 1994, and later with the reactivation of the Nevado del Huila volcano - eruptive processes (2007, 2008). These events led to rethink in a work of inter-institutional collaboration among the Corporación Nasa Kiwe, the Colombian Geological Service - Volcanological and Seismological Observatory of Popayán, and the support of local and traditional authorities, giving life to the lines established for the benefit of the communities proposed in the CONPES document 3667, 2010, In 2012, the design and construction process for a “Strategy of Dissemination and Communication for the Social Management of Risk ” was initiated with six (6) pilot educational facilities settled geographically throughout the Basin of the Rio Paez (influence area of the Nevado del Huila volcano), which is supported on three fundamental dimensions: the pedagogical, the social and the communicative. The development of this work has led to encounter scenarios from the dialogue of knowledge to bring scientific and traditional knowledge, in addition to analyzing the various ways to perceive the volcanic Risk from the individual and collective perspectives, through the application of methodologies of people's planning and the construction of educative materials, which have allowed the appropriation of the concepts of Risk Management and The Law 1523 of 2012, in addition to encouraging the recognition of leaders (students, teachers, parents, among others), development of action plans articulated to models of traditional self-education , all geared towards the internalization and strengthening of local capacity, which contributes to the adoption of a culture of risk management, to the safeguarding and sustaining the communities that coexist with Nevado del Huila volcano.