

# IMPACT SUMMARY 2020

In 2020, **acciona.org, The Energy & Water Foundation**, continued and extended its activity of bringing access to energy, water and sanitation to very-low-income communities without prospects of having supplied those needs. Through this work, acciona.org increased its impact on the three dimensions of the development –economic, social and environmental–, **being aligned with the UN’s 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and contributing to the achievement of its 17 Goals.**



acciona.org provided **almost 64,000 people in 15,210 households** mainly with access to the electricity basic service in an affordable, sustainable and reliable way by means of solar home systems, as well as with equitable access to drinking water and adequate sanitation through reliable systems, besides access to safe cook stoves.



These people, living in poverty and extreme poverty, **saved more than € 950,000 in alternative energy elements and could spend at least than 8.2 million additional hours in their daily activities** due to having electric lighting, as well as avoiding going to get energy elements and water.



**About 23 million hours of available electric lighting reduced diseases due to smokes and not-enough lighting brightness** from candles, kerosene, firewood, etc. **Reliable water & sanitation systems provided avoided diarrhoeal diseases** due to improving sanitary conditions & hygiene in homes and community centres.



More than 20,500 schoolchildren used **about 1 million additional hours to do their homework**, that return the extension of their primary schooling in 0.4 years and the increase of children registered in secondary school in 11%.



About **950 women participated in the representative committees promoted in every community** and are part of almost 22,400 female users who developed more easily their daily tasks (paid or not), besides almost 10,600 girls who did their homework with adequate lighting. In addition, **3 women in charge of shops in reference localities in the operation areas offered supplies and services** to the surrounding communities.



**23 micro businesses franchised to local small sized entrepreneurs to offer devices and services related to the systems provided, besides the electricity supplied to users with small businesses at their homes**, contributed to employment and economic growth in the attended communities.



acciona.org continued the implementation of its **innovative service delivery models**, which are adapted to every operation area and are based on the installation of solar home systems to provide access to electricity services and the offer of a catalogue of eco technologies to provide access to water, sanitation and cooking services in an affordable, reliable and sustainable way.



acciona.org **increased the number of rural and indigenous population to which it brings access to basic services, having reached more than 950 communities.** It continued thus mitigating inequalities between urban and rural areas, by reducing rural and indigenous underserved population in Peru, Mexico and Panama.



The total of solar home systems in operation **avoided the emission of more than 5,218 t CO<sub>2</sub> and the use and non-controlled disposal of 22 t batteries** due to the use of efficient lamps and electric devices to connect to those systems.



The **mentioned reliable water & sanitation systems improve the water supply sources and favour reusing & saving water.** Within environments of recurring drought, such as the Mexican state of Oaxaca where acciona.org has implemented these solutions, they **are useful tools of increasing the resilience and the adaptation to climate change.**



acciona.org collaborated with the Spanish Cooperation and local, regional, and country authorities in Peru, Mexico and Panama. It **developed its activities with other public and private entities, as well as other organizations with the same aim**, such as those in the Table on Universal Access to Energy, the Latin American Platform of Sustainable Energy and Equity (PLESE) and the Alliance for Rural Electrification (ARE).

