People Taking Action

Empowering

with the Earth Charter

Reto Juvenil, Costa Rica

Many young people in rural areas in Costa Rica lack opportunities for learning and hope for the future. Reto Juvenil Internacional encourages youth from around the world to spend time in remote communities, exchanging skills and promoting sustainable ways of living.

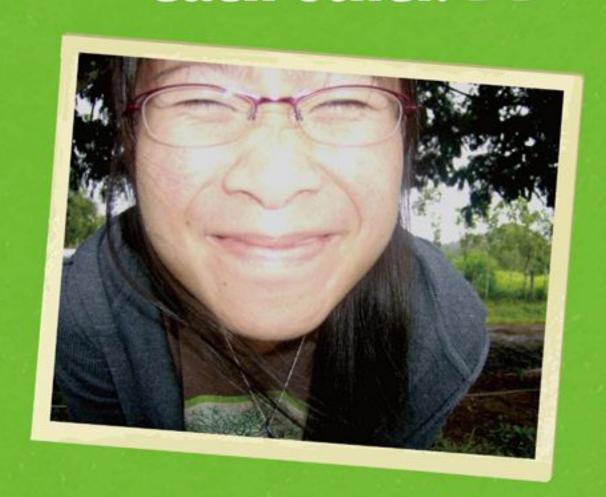
As Natalie Salas of Reto Juvenil explains, "We work with the Earth Charter youth network because we support the same values of protecting the planet, communities and sustainable ways of living."



Po-Yi Liu from Canada got a lot from her time in Juanilama in central Costa Rica: "We did many things together: bridge construction, cleaning an ecological reserve, youth development, and, most importantly, introduced the Earth Charter. From dialogues and workshops on Earth Charter values, we learned about the economic, environmental, gender and sociocultural struggles that the Juanilaman people are currently facing."



The beauty of the Earth Charter is that it gives us and the Juanilamans the space to empower and learn from each other. 33



Honor and support the young people of our communities, enabling them to fulfill their essential role in creating sustainable societies.

Earth Charter Principle 12c



