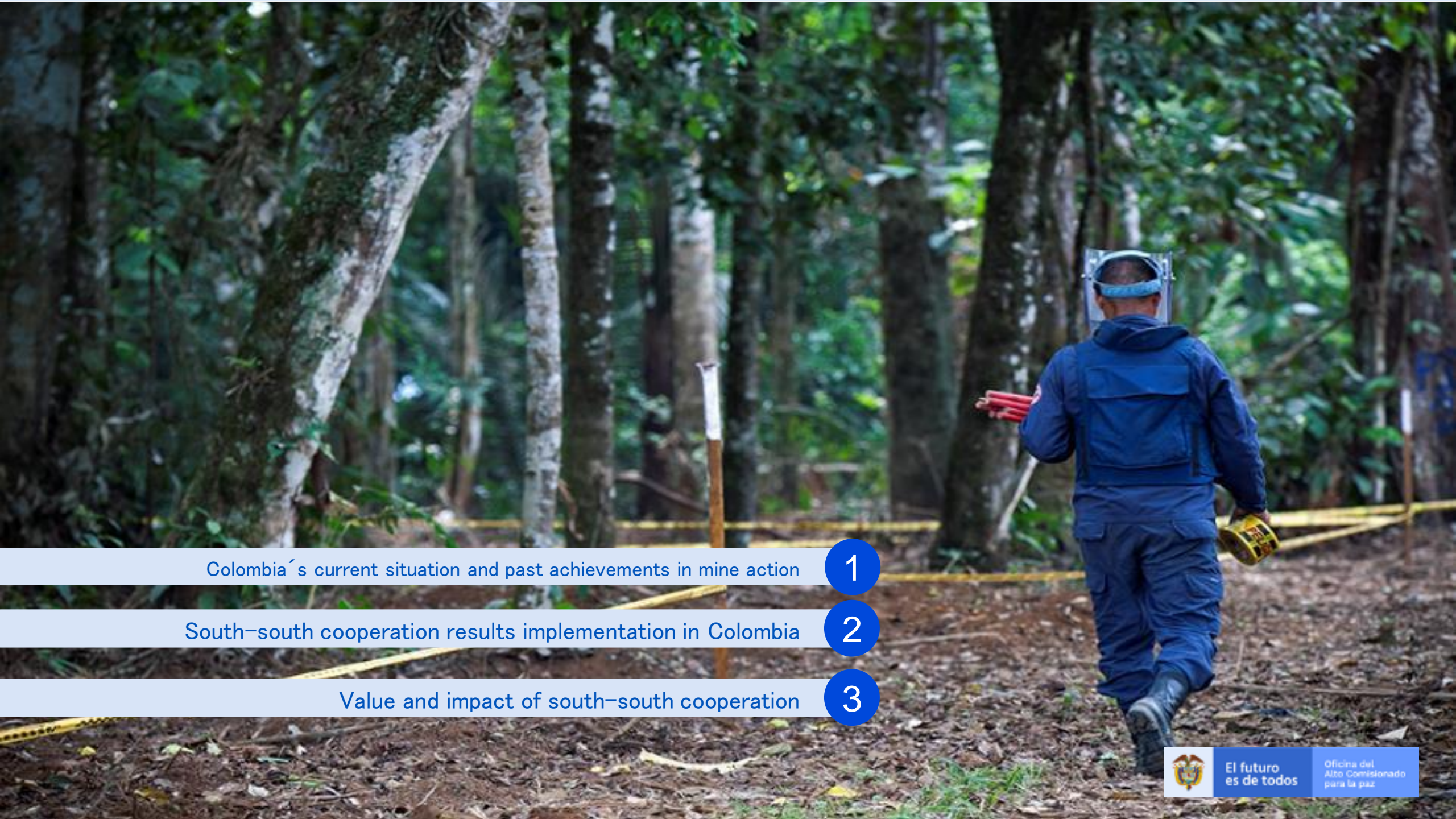




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1. Colombia's current situation and past achievements in mine action

APMBC 1997

Estate Party of the Convention in 2001 (Law 554 de 2000)

Antipersonnel Landmines Observatory Law 759/2002

Programme for Comprehensive Mine Action (PAICMA) Decree 2150/2007

Public Policy CONPES 3567/2009

Art. 5 Extension Request 2010

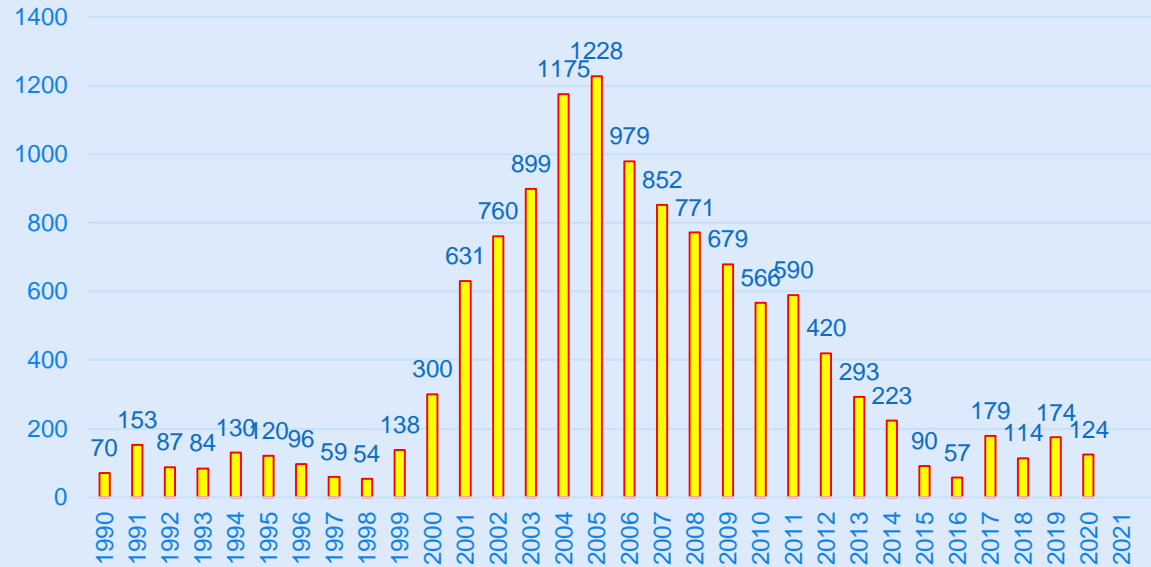
Comprehensive Mine Action Direction (AICMA) Decree 1649/2014

Final Agreement to End the Armed Conflict and Build a Stable and Lasting Peace (2016)

Office of the High Commissioner for Peace (2019)

Extension Request 2020

Number of Landmine Victims per Year



1990-2021

- 12.115 registered victims
- 80% survive the accident
- Victims:
 - 60% Armed Forces
 - 40% Civilians (10% Children)

What are the main challenges we are facing now?

Persistence of the use of anti-personnel mines of an improvised nature by Non-State Armed Groups.

Territories without security conditions to advance in humanitarian demining operations.

Knowledge about new contamination and accidents in risk groups.

Reduction of mine action support financial flow.

1. Colombia's current situation and past achievements in mine action

MINE RISK EDUCATION

- 2018-2021: 20.653 MRE activities
- 349.756 beneficiaries
- Ethnic approach in 9 native languages
- 50.613 ethnic beneficiaries indigenous and : 55.555 afro-descendants.

HUMANITARIAN DEMINING

- 184 municipalities free of mines
- 17 new National Mine Action Standards
- Better Security conditions from the Final Agreement to End the Armed Conflict and Build a Stable and Lasting Peace (2016).

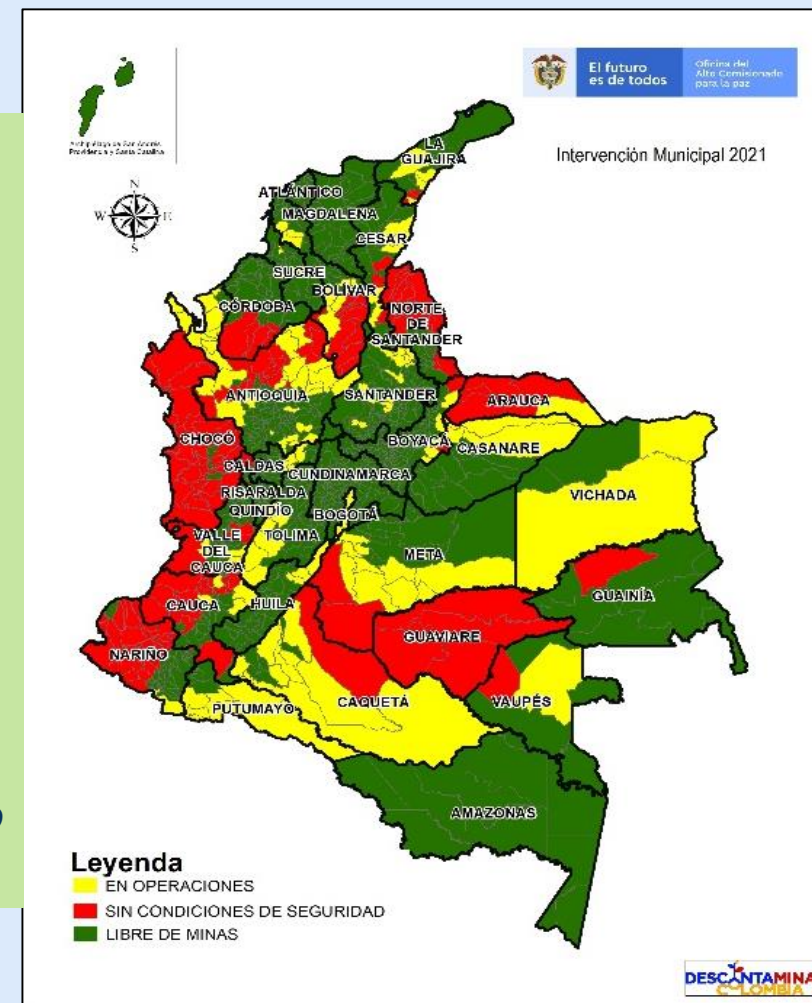
VICTIMS ASSISTANCES MAPROUTE

- 156 victims assistance local maproutes
- 18 victims assistances regional maproutes
- 100% new victims support rate

NATIONAL-REGIONAL COORDINATION

- Presence in 9 high affected regions
- 915 Technical assistance to local governments

- **184 municipalities** were declared free of mines by clearance operations
- **77%** of the national territory is now free of mines
- Still there are **demining operations on 123 affected municipalities.**
- Unfortunately, still there are **138 high affected municipalities** that do not have **security conditions** to deploy demining teams.



2. South-south cooperation results implementation in Colombia

2010–2011 – 3 Courses
45 presidential civil servants trained
(Planning, information management, demining techniques, community liassion and victims assistance)

2017 – 2021 – 7 Courses
126 regional civil servants trained
(Recognition and disposal of IED, mine detection dogs, operational planning, land release, mechanical demining and quality control)

2023 – 2025 – 6 Courses
Land release, EOD (I, II, III and 3+), MDD and mechanical demining, MRE, VA, planning, development and regional planning)



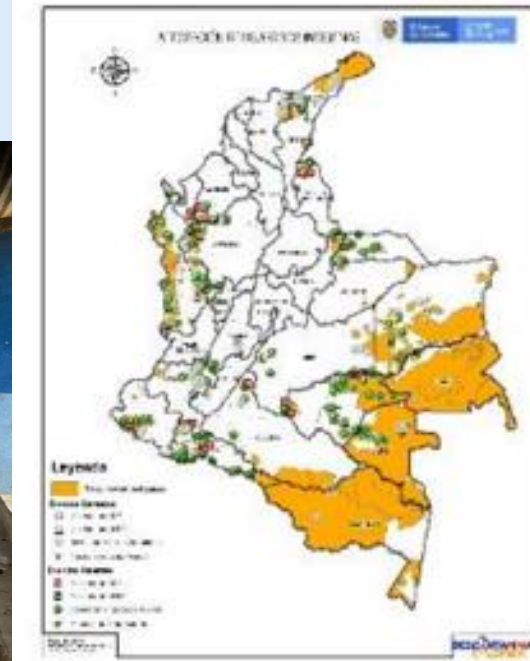
Over three phases Colombia has learned:

- **17 National mine action standards** for mine action
- Strategic Plan **2020–2025 formulation**
- Humanitarian Demining **Operational Plan 2020-2025** formulation.
- **2020 Extention Request** formulation
- **5563 men and women deminers**, 220 women that represent 4.11% gender aproach inclusion.
- 7 demining machines donation with specialized training for **Ministry of Defense** and **Army** representatives.
- 32 **Demining brigade** representatives trained in mechanical demining.

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STRATEGIC POLICIES RELATED TO MINE ACTION

- **87%** Land Restitution Program
- **61%** Returns and resettlement IDPs
- **51%** National Program for illegal crops substitution
- **48%** National Natural Parks
- **20%** Integral Intervention Strategic Zones
- **18** Regional developmental plans 2020-2024
- **61** Local Developmental Plans 2020-2024
- **48** Victims Law local plans **52** Prevention plans



3. Value and impact of south-south cooperation



Thanks to the invaluable opportunity for exchange between affected countries, progress is being made in the implementation of the commitments of the Convention against antipersonnel mines

- *Exchange of experience between peers*
- *Affected countries sharing their experience with the support of countries capable of promoting the implementation of the Convention.*
- *Promotion of the collaborative work scheme of the Convention against Mines.*
- *Institutional strengthening of the entities involved in the States participating in the cooperation.*
- *Strengthening of national ownership strategies.*
- *Ideas about new approaches and initiatives of national public policy.*

Thank you

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