Johanna Shorack, M.A. Environmental Law and Public Policy Project Management and Collective Processes Specialist



With over 13 years of experience in national and international settings, I specialize in leading community development projects and facilitating participatory methodologies that advance inclusive governance, social cohesion, and intercultural dialogue. My academic background in Environmental Law and Public Policy, combined with extensive experience in designing and implementing social and environmental initiatives, has equipped me to collaborate effectively with diverse stakeholders, including communities, civil society organizations, private sector actors, and governments.

I bring a strategic approach to planning, multi-stakeholder dialogue facilitation, and capacity-building for collective decision-making. My work has focused on mediation and participatory processes that result in practical, sustainable solutions, fostering conflict resolution and long-term peace. Beyond achieving immediate project goals, I prioritize creating strong foundations for lasting impact.

Key projects include:

- Coordinating a trinational workshop for the Commission for Environmental Cooperation, uniting community leaders from Canada, the U.S., and Mexico to develop meaningful agreements and intercultural collaboration tools.
- Leading a learning program for over 80 environmental and social leaders from Asia, Africa, and Latin America focused on land-based entrepreneurship for the global *Rights and Resources Network*.
- Teaching a graduate seminar on Community Governance and Environmental Law and advising graduate-level projects at the *Universidad del Medio Ambiente*, Mexico.
- Facilitating strategic planning for the international coalition *Stop Financing Factory Farms*, where I designed an inclusive process leading to collaborative agreements and clear annual goals.
- Leading a capacity-building program for 24+ community-based social entrepreneurs with *La Mano del Mono*, Mexico.
- Designing socio-environmental impact models for *Ruta Origen*, integrating participatory diagnostics and community-strengthening workshops.
- Supporting Indigenous communities in Guatemala through my work with Serjus, analyzing legal frameworks and facilitating collective processes to defend their territories.