



RIO NEIVA
ENVIRONMENTAL NGO

PORTUGAL

ABOUT

Rio Neiva, founded in 1989 and located in Esposende, Portugal, aims to **defend and enhance the local natural environment and cultural heritage** and to promote a balanced **regional development** of the Neiva river valley.





250 members



14 active partnerships



1500 students / year



350 adults / year



48 nature sports
activities / year



52 environmental
education activities / year

PARTNERS



LOCATIONS

The association has two locations where it develops several of its activities, namely the Headquarters as the main meeting point, located on the bank of the Neiva River, and the Pedagogical Farm.




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headquarters



headquarters



pedagogical farm



pedagogical farm

PROJECTS HIGHLIGHT

Rio Neiva develops several projects focused on environmental education, as a theme that permeates all activities of the association.

Project	BioNeiva
Objectives	Preservation and valorization of the valley and the river neiva (mapping of biodiversity, development of electrical prototypes, sensitization events, critical mass for the use of bicycles)
Period	2017 - 2020
Audience	School community (> 1200 children); local community; industrial community
Results	Biodiversity guide, environmental sensitization / education events, electrical prototypes, videos, etc.



Project	Holly Preservation Campaign (Ilex aquifolium)
Objectives	Sensitization for the preservation of endangered species; Sowing and planting; reforestation.
Period	2000 – 2003 2010-2015
Audience	School community (> 1200 children); local community.
Results	3000 foot holly reforestation



Project	Adoption - sponsorship Burro de Miranda - Association for the study and protection of asinine cattle- AEPGA
Objectives	Helping save the genetic heritage and survival of asinine species - Burro de Miranda
Period	2011 - present
Audience	School community; local community.
Results	Protection of this specimen and contact and awareness of the school and local community for its preservation.

Project	Coastal Cleansing Campaigns
Objectives	Awareness raising for the valorization of the territory and its preservation.
Period	Events held 2 to 4 times a year.
Audience	School community; local community; organizations, partner institutions and local authority 150 people / year
Results	Direct sensitization of the public and tons of debris removed annually from the coastline and banks and mouth of the river Neiva annually.



Project	A river for everyone
Objectives	Awareness raising and promotion of social inclusion in the school community. Adapted canoeing lessons program in river Neiva
Period	Annual events
Audience	School community (special education children: 30 children / year); institutions.
Results	The acquisition of equipment adapted to the practice of canoeing for people with reduced mobility made this association a reference point for institutions for sports and contact with nature.

Project	Old becomes new
Objectives	Sensitization for the reduction and valorization of materials. Workshops (clothing, decoration, furniture)
Period	Several events / workshops held annually; 2016 - present: Weekly workshop on textile sewing and reuse.
Audience	Local intergenerational community; young people and children
Results	Contact between several generations and transmission of knowledge and experiences.

Project	More trees, more friends
Objectives	Sensitization for the valorization of the territory and natural heritage and its preservation. Sowing, planting and transplantation activities - reforestation
Period	1998 - 2003 and 2010 - present (Events held 10 times a year)
Audience	School community; local community; organizations, partner institutions and local authority. 350 people / year
Results	Reforestation of thousands of feet of local species, sensitization.

Project	A living river has otters
Objectives	Raising awareness of the valuation of the territory and animal heritage and its preservation, notably the otter
Period	2000 - 2003
Audience	School community; local community; organizations, partner institutions and local authority
Results	Photographic survey and sensitization and preservation campaigns carried out with the local community.

Project	A +ecological cup
Objectives	Awareness of good environmental practices. Reduction and reuse of disposable plastic consumption
Period	2011 - Present
Audience	School community; local community
Results	Acquisition and distribution of 1500 reusable plastic cups for all initiatives / events of this association with a view to reducing the consumption of disposable plastics and sensitization to reduce these.



Project**An eco-friendly bag****Objectives**

Awareness of good environmental practices. Reduction and reuse of disposable plastic consumption

Period

2012 - Present

Audience

School community; local community; companies / local commerce

Results

Acquisition and distribution of 1500 Reusable and textile bags. Used in all initiatives / events of this association with a view to reducing the consumption of plastics and sensitization to reduce these.

Project	Fruit in the orchard, who will catch it?
Objectives	Raising awareness about food waste and its valorization
Period	2011 - Present
Audience	School community; local community
Results	Collection of fruit and vegetables and their processing



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