

2021 Regional Meeting Report

GLOBE Regional Coordination Office for Latin America and the Caribbean

LAC RM was held virtually through November 9 – 12 and was open to the LAC community.

Before the meeting

- RCO contacted both CCs and the LAC community through email to invite them to participate in the event.
- RCO hired the translators in charge of the simultaneous translation for the RM.
- RCO [uploaded the RM as an event](#) on the globe.gov webpage.
- The [meeting's agenda](#) was uploaded to globe.gov and emailed to all registered participants.
- RCO contacted all CC's to ask them to submit their Annual Reports and Star Stories and remind them to register for the RM.
- RCO invited Lyn Hehr Harris, Jennifer Bourgeault, Sarah Sellade, Kristin Hunter Thompson, Amy Burtfield, Ana Prieto, and Claudia Caro to conduct different training during the RM.
- RCO discussed the Agenda with GIO
- RCO invited David Overoye and Cornell Lewis to conduct the SSAI update during the RM.
- RCO invited all RCOs and GLOBE's Partners to join LAC RM.
- RCO translated all the necessary assessment tests and protocols for the RM training and shared it with SSAI to be uploaded to GLOBE's website.
- RCO shared the E Training modules and assessment test in Spanish with all registered participants to facilitate the protocol training certification before the RM's workshops.
- Enrolled: 136
 - Teachers: 63 (43,3%)
 - Trainers: 18 (13,2%)
 - Country Coordinators: 16 (11,8%)
 - Students: 13 (9,6%)
 - GIO/NASA: 7
 - Deputy Country Coordinator: 5
 - Citizen Scientist: 5
 - Scientist: 3
 - US GLOBE Partner: 1
 - DEI Working Group Member: 1

- DE - Innova Assistant Director: 1
- RCO Europe and Eurasia: 1
- Data Information System Manager: 1

During the meeting:

- **Countries that attended:**
Argentina, Bahamas, Bolivia, Brasil, Chile, Colombia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Suriname, Trinidad & Tobago, United States, Uruguay.
- **Participants**
 - Tuesday 9/Nov: 52 participants
 - Wednesday 10/Nov: 49 participants
 - Thursday 11/Nov: 49 participants
 - Friday 12/Nov: 45 participants
- RCO translated all communications sent by the trainers and emailed them to the participants.
- RCO sent an email reminder every day to participants, the schedule for the day, and the Zoom invite.

After the meeting:

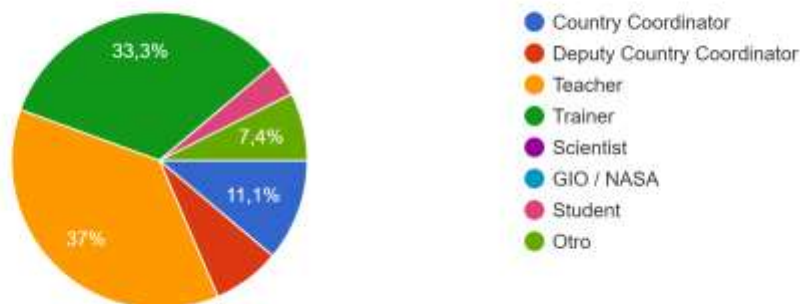
- RCO updated the Regional Meetings section on LAC's webpage at globe.gov with the meeting's agenda and recordings.
- RCO [published on its YouTube channel](#) the recordings of the four days of the RM.
- RCO sent the recordings and additional materials of the RM to all registered participants.
- RCO published [RM news](#) on the globe.gov webpage.
- RCO [published the Annual Report](#) of each country on the globe.gov webpage
- RCO sent a survey to all RM participants regarding their opinions of the event.

Participants Feedback

Twenty-seven people (mainly teachers, trainers, and country coordinators) responded to the survey sent by RCO with feedback on RM.

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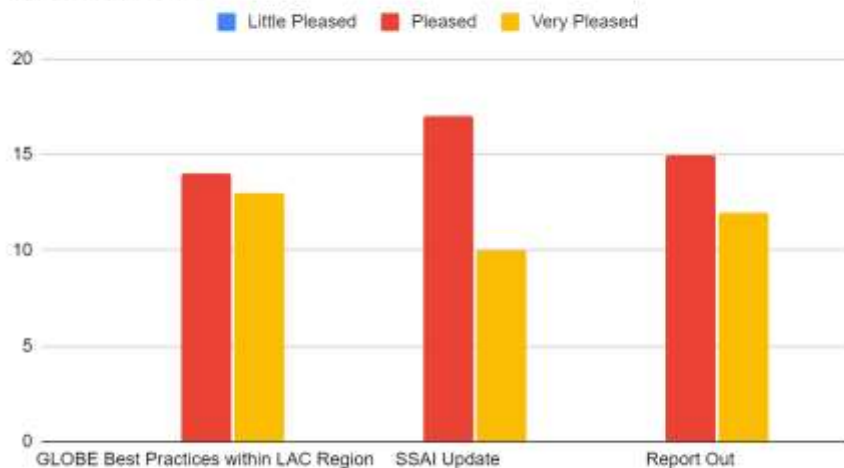
27 respuestas



Overall, the respondents were pleased with the training during the meeting. They commented that the information provided, the workshops, and the resources used during the activities were very dynamic, valuable, and exciting. There was excellent feedback from Lynne Harris Hehr's soil protocol training. In addition, the participants were very pleased with the simultaneous translations, with the possibility of getting in contact with members of the community from all over the region, and with the chance to learn about the work that other countries carried out throughout the year. Mainly they were very grateful that this year the inscription to the meeting was open to anyone who desired to join since many more members had the opportunity to participate.

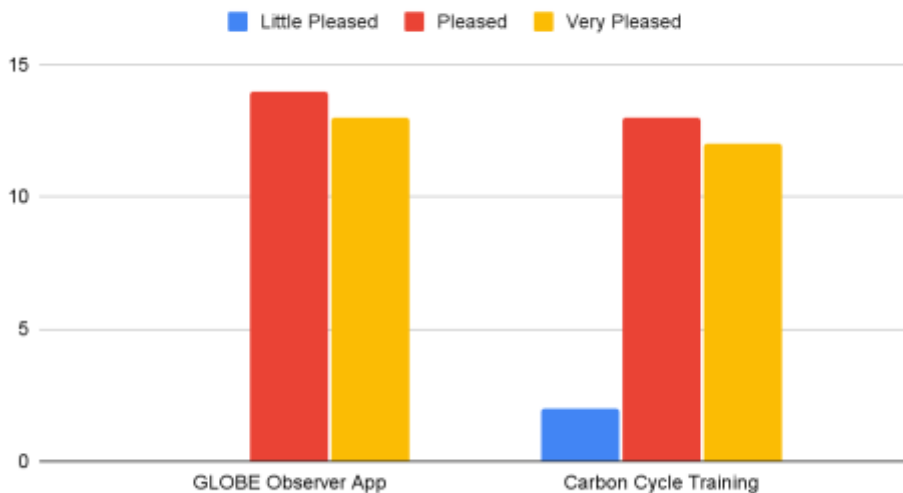
When asked to rate each day's sessions individually, this is what they responded:

Tuesday Nov 9

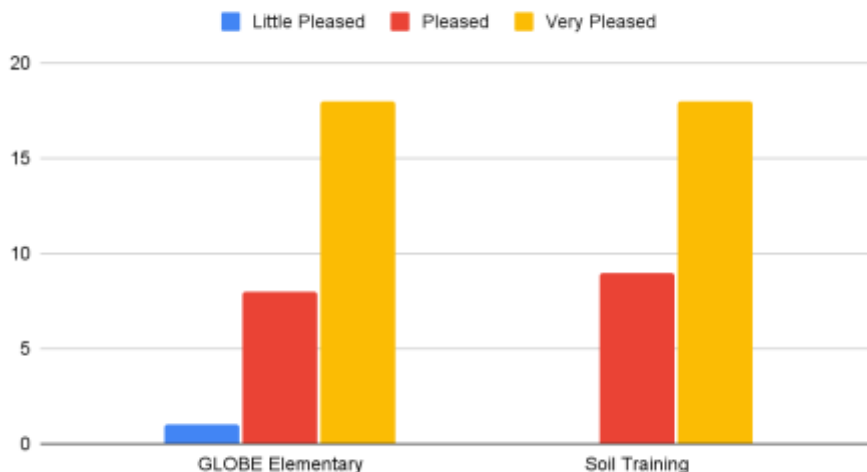




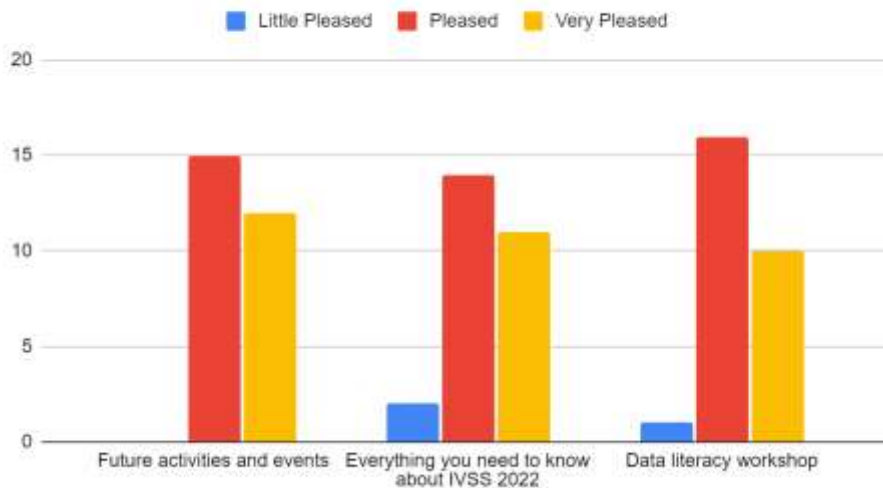
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Thursday Nov 11



Friday Nov 12



When asked, “In case of returning to the face-to-face Regional Meeting, would you still like to have a virtual Regional Meeting open to all the GLOBE LAC community” 100% of the survey participants agreed that it is necessary to maintain a virtual RM.

RM Agenda

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2021

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| 2.45 pm | Check-in |
| 3.00 pm | <p>Opening Ceremony</p> <p>Welcome words by</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - LAC Regional Coordinator, Mariana Savino. - Dr. Tony Murphy, GLOBE Implementation Office Director. <p>Report out</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RCO report out, Mariana Savino y Paz Fernández - GIO report out, GLOBE Strategic Plan 2018 – 2023. Tony Murphy, GIO Director. |
| 4.00 pm | <p>SSAI Update: What’s happened and what’s new with the GLOBE website?</p> <p>David Overoye</p> |
| 4.45 pm | Break |
| 5.15 pm | <p>GLOBE Best Practices within LAC Region</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Americana Box, GLOBE Paraguay - School visits, GLOBE Uruguay - Online Teachers Training, GLOBE Argentina, GLOBE Uruguay, and GLOBE Peru - Scola Virtual, GLOBE Brazil |
| 6.15 pm | End of the day |
| Optional session: | SSAI will host a follow-up support call following the tech presentation to answer any questions, the review presented information, or help with any specific technical issues. |

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2021

GLOBE Protocol Training: Carbon Cycle, Land Cover and Tree Height

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2.45 pm Check-in

3.00 pm Training on Carbon Cycle
Conducted by Jennifer Bourgeault, GLOBE North America Country Coordinator, and Sarah Sallade.

- Carbon Cycle Protocol
- Standard Site
- Non-Standard Site

4.30 pm Break

5.00 pm GLOBE Observer App
Ana Prieto, GLOBE LAC Technology WG member, and Claudia Caro, former Science WG member.

- Land Cover
- Tree Height

6.15 pm End of the day

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2021

GLOBE Protocol Training, Soils

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2.45 pm Participants check-in.

3.00 pm Soil Protocols Training
Conducted by Lynne Hehr Harris, the GLOBE partner.

- Introduction to Soils
- Soil Characterization
- Why do we study Soils?
- Soil Markers

4.30 pm Break

5.00 pm GLOBE Elementary

K4 activities and materials

6.15 pm End of the day

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2021

Data literacy

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2.45 pm Check-in

3.00 pm An interactive workshop on data literacy
Conducted by Kristin Hunter Thompson, from Dataspire.org

- Data collection
- Analysis
- Interpretation
- Break out rooms
- Open discussion

4.30 pm Break

5.00 pm All you need to know about 2022 IVSS
Amy Bartfield, GLOBE IVSS, GLOBE GIO.

5.30 pm Trainers and Mentor Trainers workflow on GLOBE's website
David Overoye, SSAI

5.50 pm Future actions and events
Tony Murphy, GIO Director

- Annual Survey
- IVSS
- Day Celebration
- 2022 GLOBE Annual Meeting

6.15 pm Wrap up, closing remarks.

Additional Materials

The speakers' additional materials and presentations are available both on the [GLOBE website](#) and in a [Google Drive folder](#) for all meeting participants.