

YPF Foundation

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Institution profile

With the goal of “**Education for Energy**”, our priorities are aimed at training a new generation of professionals in energy and the creation of shared value spirit in the oil communities.

We are a professional foundation, committed to the outcome of our actions with strong national sense. We set the challenge to work on energy development in our country based on two key aspects: the training and education of the human resources necessary to lead this change and the sustainable development of the communities where we operate.

To achieve these goals we have developed the strategic plan 2013/2017 in which we define five major programs: University and Industry, School and Industry, “Awakening Vocations”, Skills Training Program and Integrate Communities.

Work approach

- **National sense and regional focus:** while open to the community, the Foundation has national vocation and specific focus on regions where the oil industry is more deeply rooted.
- **Partnership work:** our efforts are fully coordinated with the projects and programs of national government agencies and provincial governments. We also encourage the active participation of various stakeholders in each region or community schools, universities, unions, local government, other industry players.
- **Systemic / holistic character:** we developed our programs based on a vision of the society as a whole, paying attention to its multiple dimensions and context. Our programs include actions in the short, medium and long term.

Programs and activities 2013

- Education

Scholarship program for best averages graduates from technical schools

Aimed at promoting Engineering and Earth Sciences study at National Universities. Currently, the program covers 100 young people from different provinces.

The increase in the rates of enrollment, permanence and graduation of students are the main goals of this initiative, implemented in accordance with the Secretariat of University Policies of Argentina's Ministry of Education and the National Institute of Technical Education.

Training scholarships for Argentine professionals abroad with Bec.ar

These scholarships are aimed to Argentine PhD students, on issues of renewable energy, environment and hydrocarbons.

Applied research

It is orientated to basic issues on renewable energies, environment, and energy-related social sciences. We co- finance with CONICET 19 doctoral and postdoctoral fellowships and 12 research projects.

More and better courses in Energy

As part of the strategic plan of the YPF Foundation and in dialogue with Argentina's Ministry of Education, we promoted the increase of academic offerings related to the oil and gas industry. In this framework we promote the opening of several courses around the country.

Oil University Network of Argentina

In order to integrate and enhance the academic knowledge of universities where future professionals in the oil industry are trained, we created a partnership with the Secretariat of University Policies of Argentina's Ministry of Education.. Its work is focused on promoting and articulating joint teacher training programs and specialized courses for students, graduates and teachers. Ten Argentine universities participated in this network.

"YPF Cathedra"

It is aimed at promoting teaching update and approaching theory and practice in university education. Through this initiative, currently, 300 students have approached the oil industry. The proposals included geology field schools, workshops with business professionals, field trips, visits to industrial complexes and deposits.

Awakening vocations

Through this initiative, 27,000 young persons approached industry through visits to industrial plants and various university fairs. Additionally, jointly with the Ministry of Education, we fueled the "University and High School" program to improve training in natural sciences in 31 national universities and high schools countrywide.

- Community

Integrating communities

In order to generate a meeting space and construction of collective identity through culture, achieve closer links between local people and leave installed capacity for the continuity of experiences capability, we implemented various expressive workshops, and artistic values in oil communities.

Emerging and sustainable cities

Along with the Investment Development Bank (IDB), Argentine Cabinet of Ministers and YPF, we launched this initiative for sustainable development of Argentine oil towns where we expect the intensification of the expected population growth as a result of investment plans.

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