

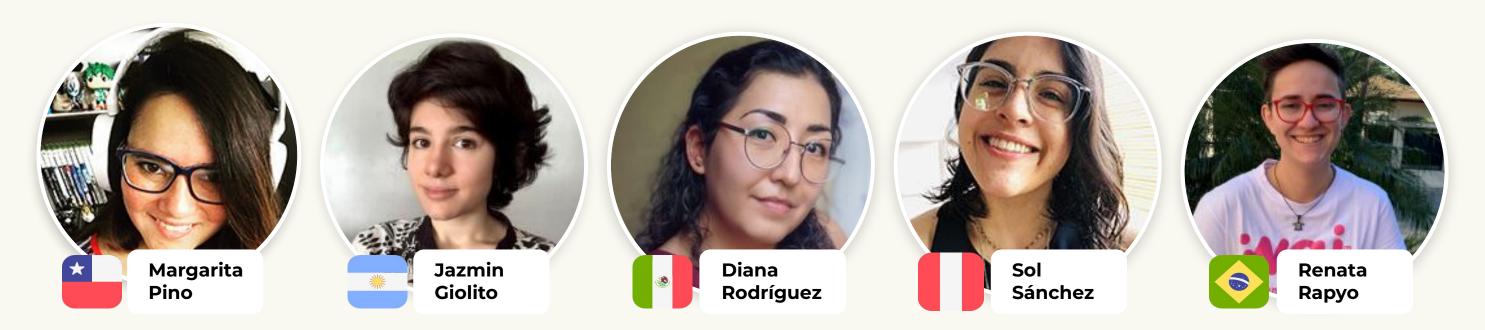
Women in Games in LATAM: Where are we standing?



Agenda

- Challenges and opportunities
- Professional stage
- Women Game Jam
- Communities
- Children in games
- Women in Games LATAM Federation
- Q&A







How many of you work with women?

How many of you work with women from Latin America?

How many of you identify as women?

How many of you are from Latin America?

What is it like to make games in Latin America?

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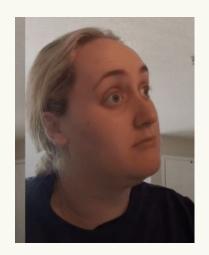
There are a bazillion challenges...

... but some good opportunities too!



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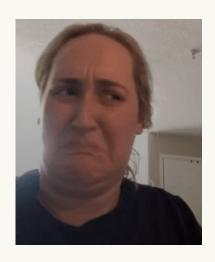
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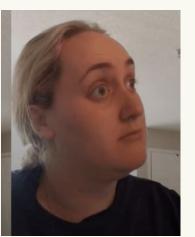






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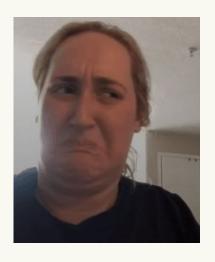
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Networking in the region and overseas

- Better Access to International Industry events.
 - Small amount of friendly or secure events.
 - Sense of not belonging in the industry

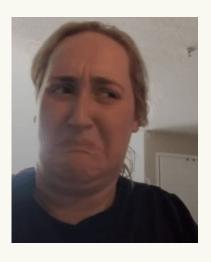
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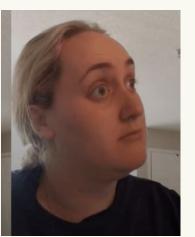






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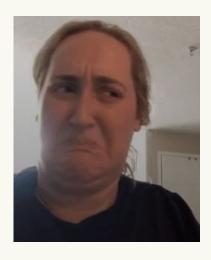


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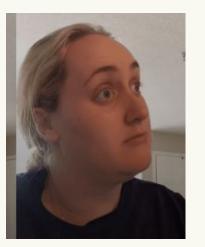
Opportunities

- Resilience
- Stories, voices and non yet published content that relates with Latin American culture.



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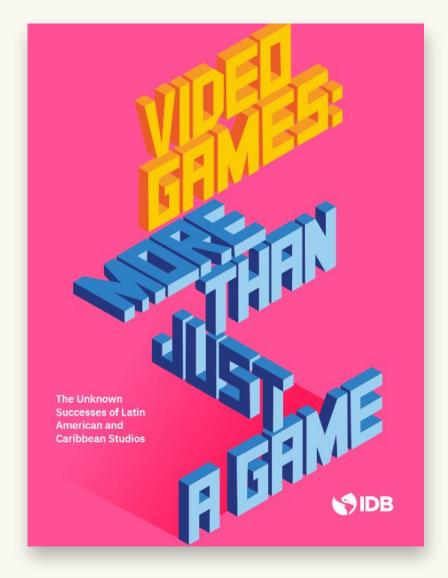
LATAM game industry for women

The professional video game industry for women in Latam but first...

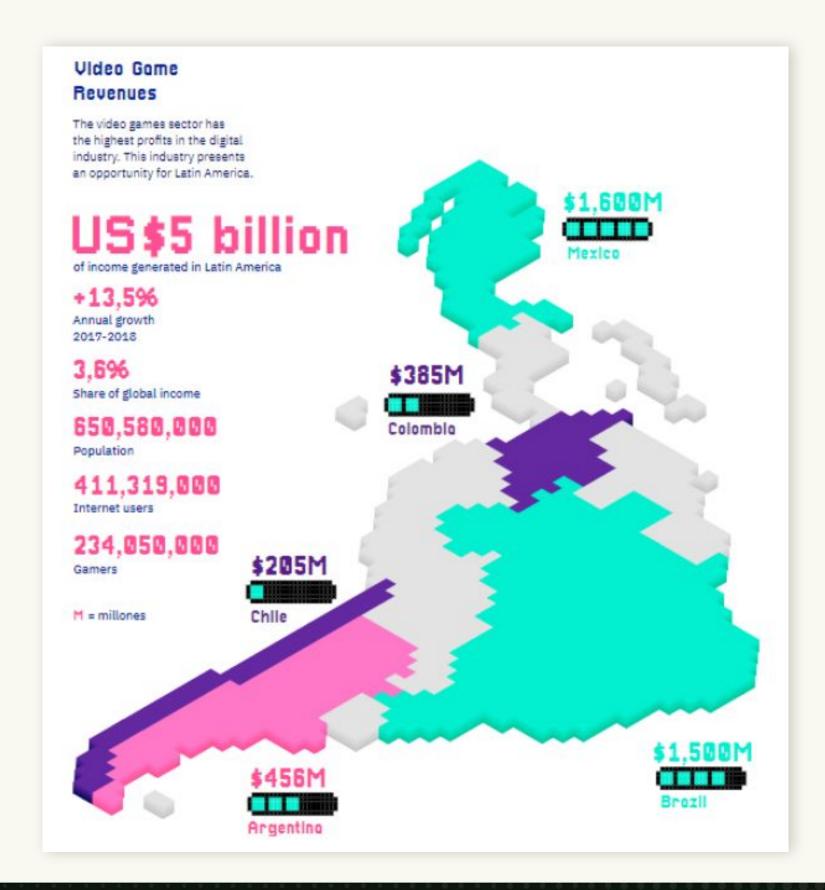


LATAM game industry

The industry represent an opportunity for Latam



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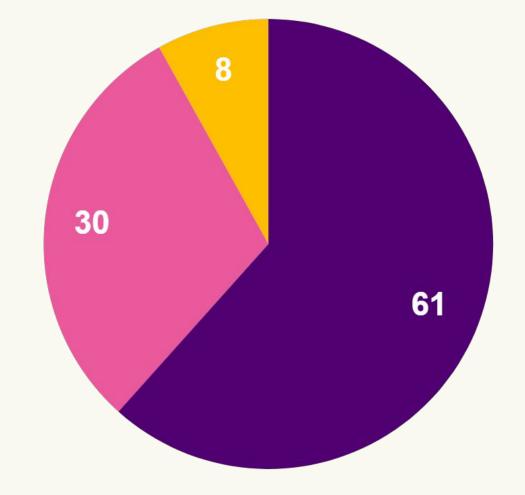
How many people are working in video games?

Developer Satisfaction Survey 2021

Summary Report



- Women
- Non-binary, gender fluid, genderqueer or two-spirited

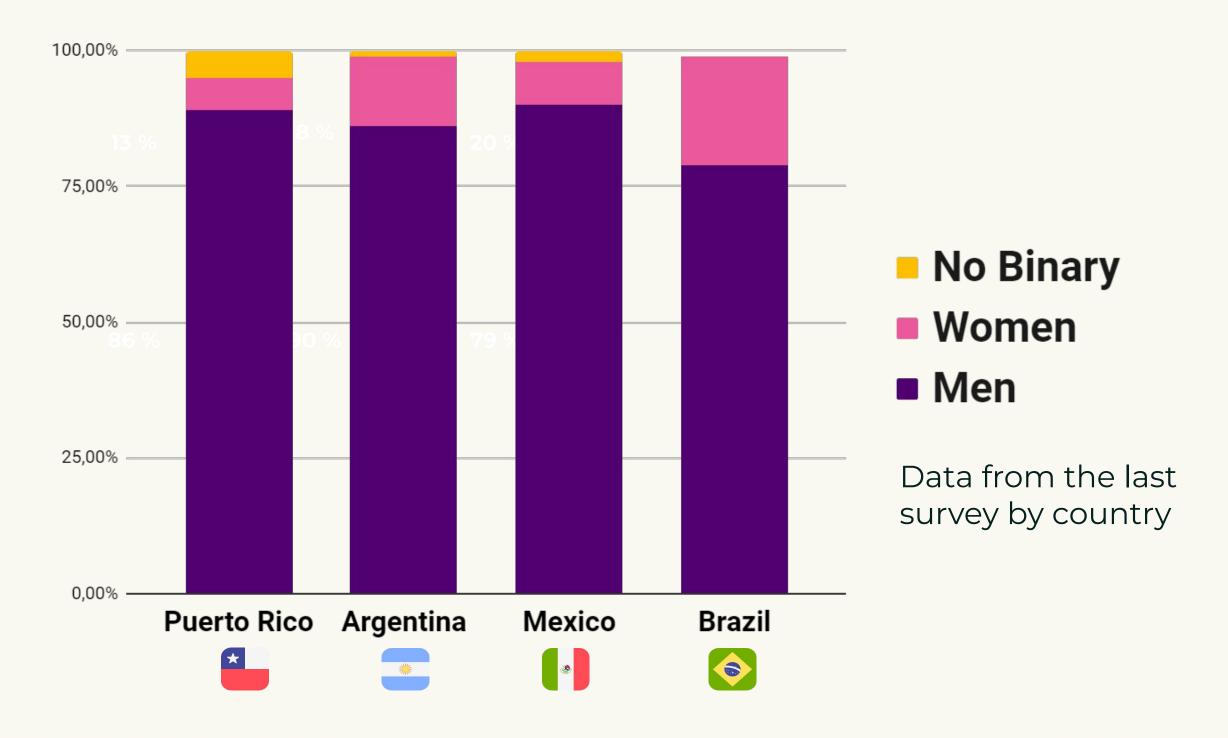


In a separate question,

7% identified as transgender

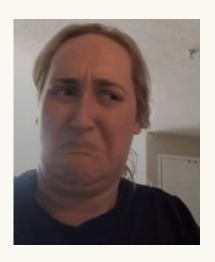
so... where are we really standing?

Data from Latam



we invite organizations or companies to generate this kind of data

especially about women leaders in video games, since it is one of the ways to inspire more women.



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Overcome the gender stereotypes of our own countries

Fight the fear of "not being good enough", being judged or get hurt just because of our gender

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Feeling alone in an industry largely dominated by men

Find safe spaces
were we feel
welcome and don't
need to prove
ourselves just
because of our
gender

So... this all sounds a bit discouraging, isn't it?





We need to change this





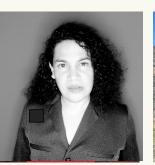












































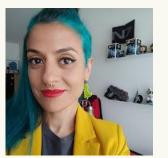




































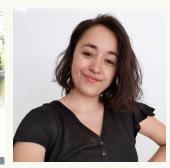


















This is how our communities where born

"Spaces where women could share experiences, collaborate with each other and become friends"





We need to do more



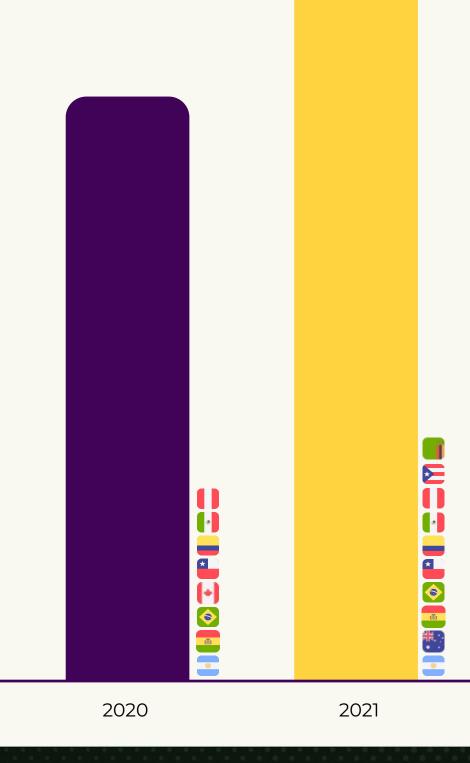
How?

How can we do this?

And how can we call more people to join the movement?

Women Game Jam

Women Game Jam is the largest game jam with gender clipping in Latin America.





2018.1

50

2018.2

2019

Goals









Teach and desmistify what it means to work with games.

Stimulate the sense of belonging to the game development community.

Create a space to
share experiences
so people may
connect and grow
together

Help **create a portfolio** and **show**their work to the
market

Organizing Countries



Attending Countries



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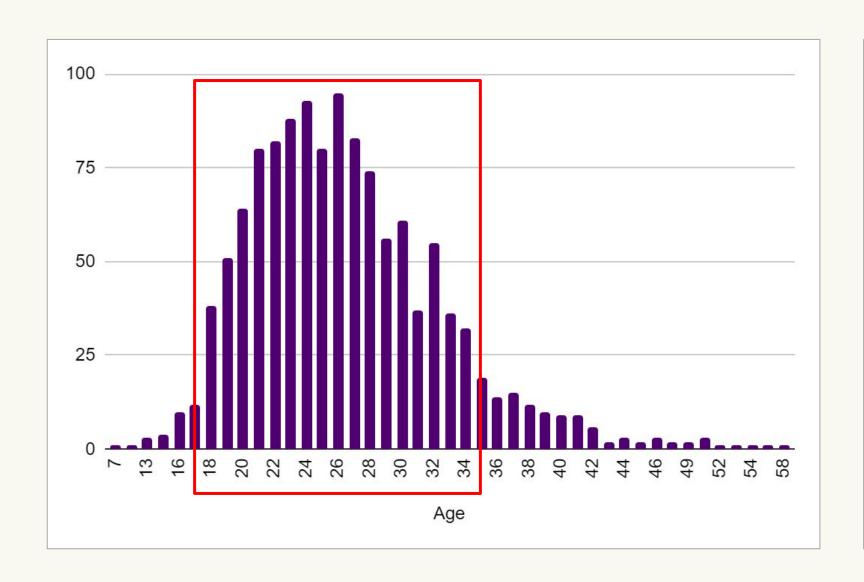
Argentina	15,97%
Australia	3,35%
Belgium	0,16%
Bolivia	3,43%
Brazil	32,91%
Canada	0,40%
Chile	4,95%
China	0,16%
Colombia	6,79%
Costa Rica	0,16%
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England	0,08%
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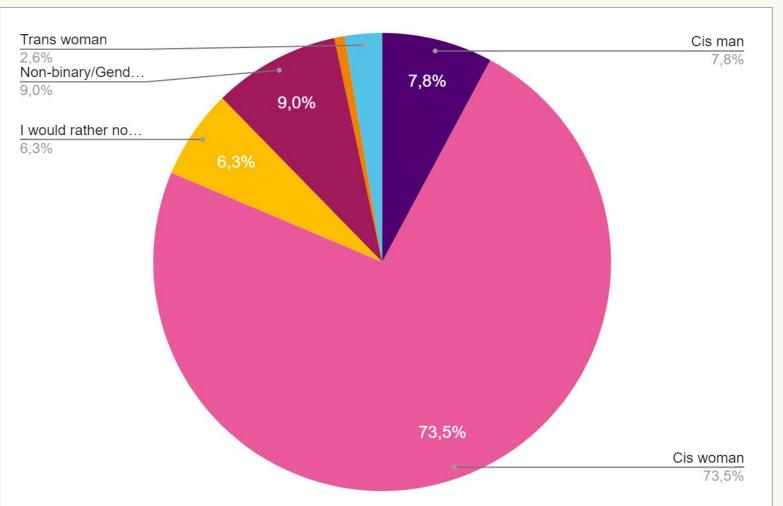
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Iran	0,08%
Ireland	0,08%
Italia	0,16%
Japan	0,16%
Malaysia	0,08%
Mexico	18,69%
Netherlands	0,08%
New Zealand	0,08%
Nigeria	0,08%
Norway	0,08%
Pakistan	0,08%
Panama	0,08%
Paraguay	0,08%
Peru	5,67%

Portugal	0,32%
Puerto Rico	0,48%
Romania	0,08%
Russia	0,08%
Spain	0,48%
Sweden	0,32%
United Kingdom	0,40%
United States of North America	2,48%
Uruguay	0,08%
Venezuela	0,40%
Wales	0,08%
Zambia	0.32%

Age of Participants

How they self identify

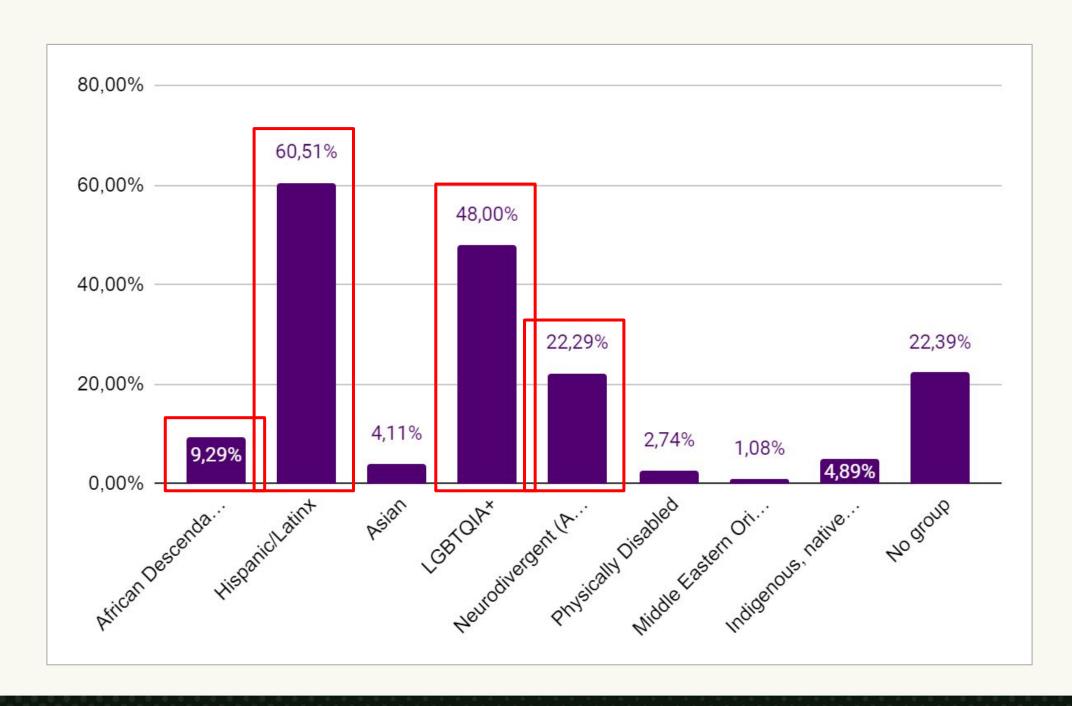




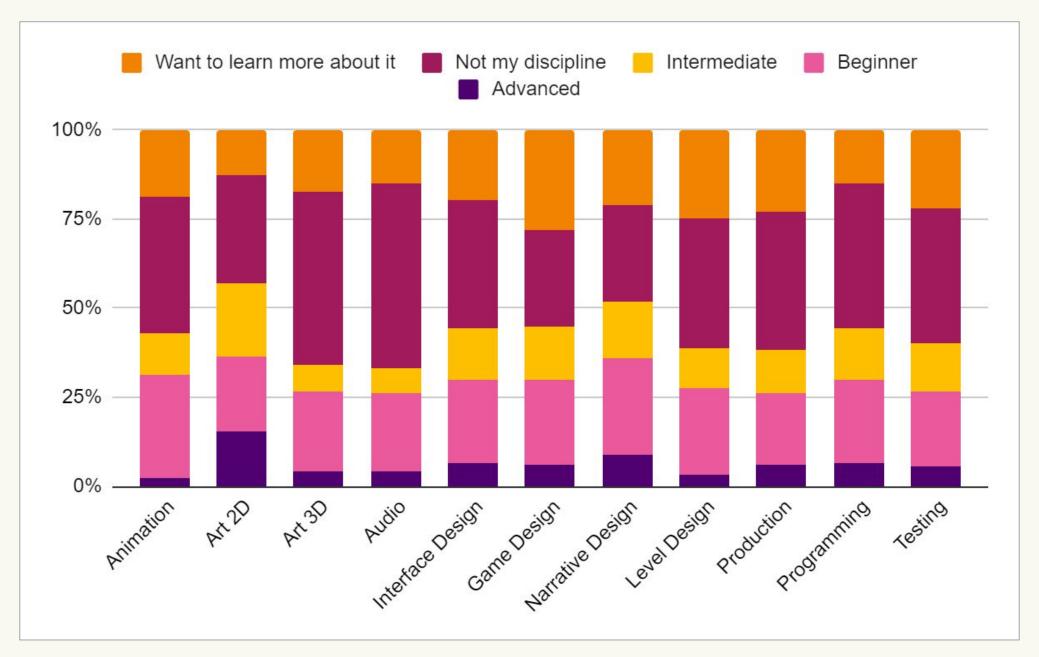




Did they self identify as a member of any underrepresented groups?



Their area of interest and self declared level of experience







Jammers



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Local Communities



• FUNDAV

ADVA.VG



ASODEVI



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 Asociación Boliviana de Videojuegos



 The Salvador Video Game Association



Abragames

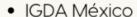
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DevsVJ MX

• Mermelada de Juegos





 DEVHR - Foro Internacional del Juego

 Club de Desarrollo de Videojuegos

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• COVA



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 Cámara Uruguaya de Desarrolladores de Videojuegos

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¿No ves tu comunidad? ¡Queremos conocerte!

We want to meet you!

Don't see your community?

International Communities making a difference in our region



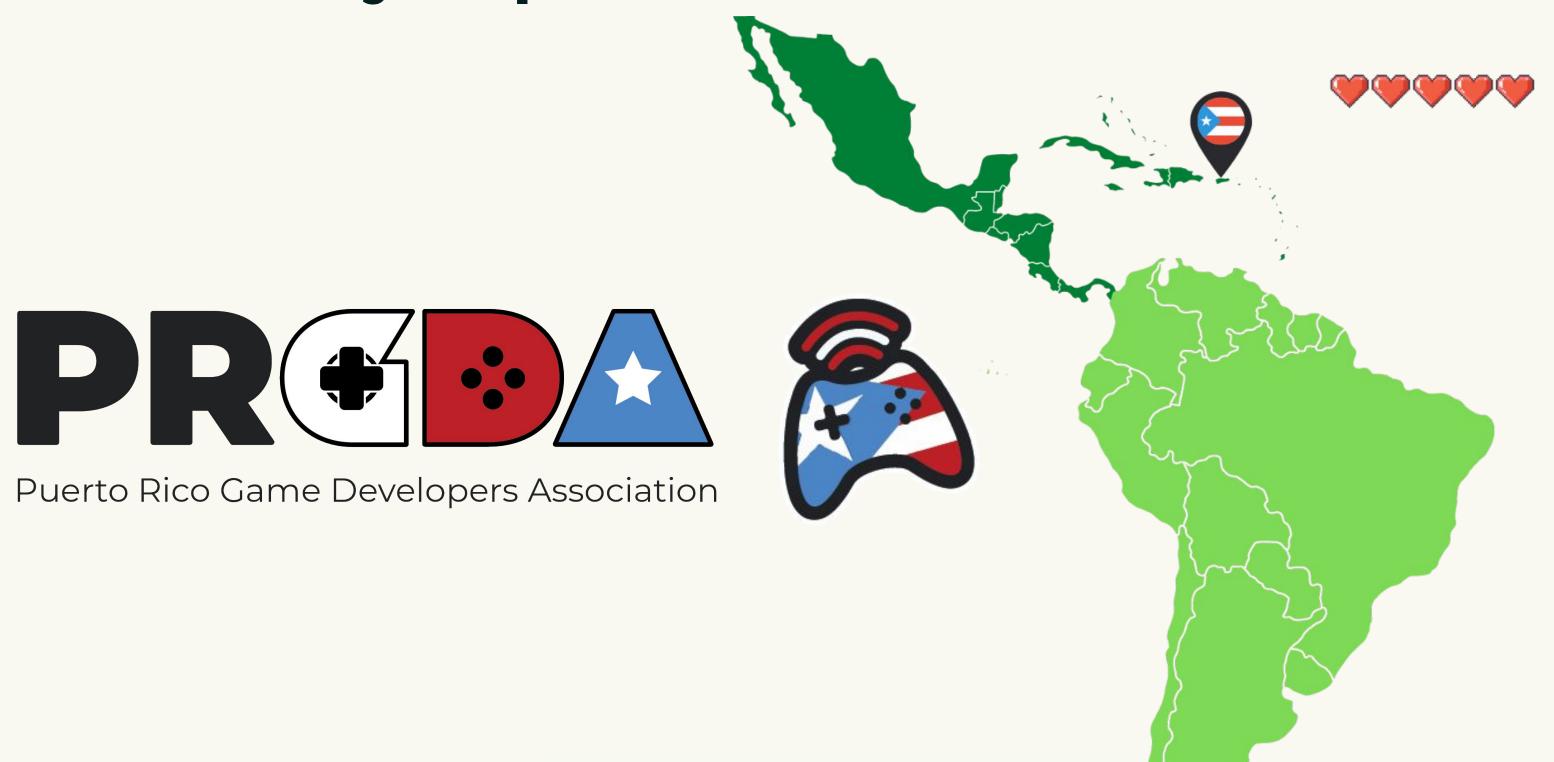














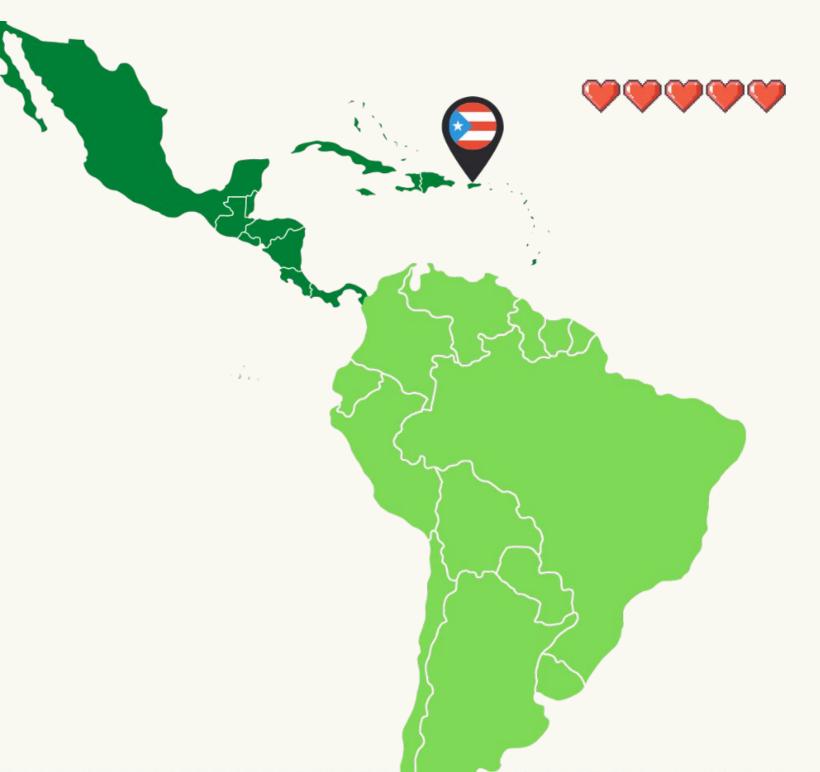
The diaspora has been an indispensable ally

Our very own Vice President is from the diaspora and she's the true MVP ^-^









We wouldn't be here without our communities









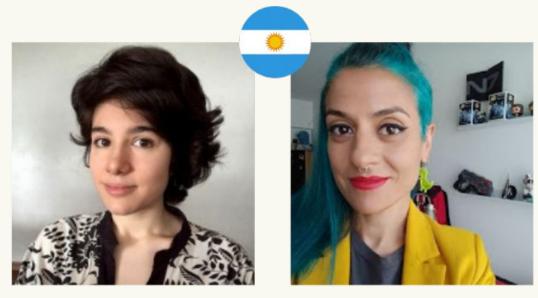








Women Game Jam



Women in Games AR

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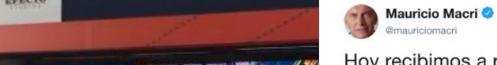
Regional Communities













Hoy recibimos a representantes que desarrollan videojuegos en todo el país en Casa Rosada





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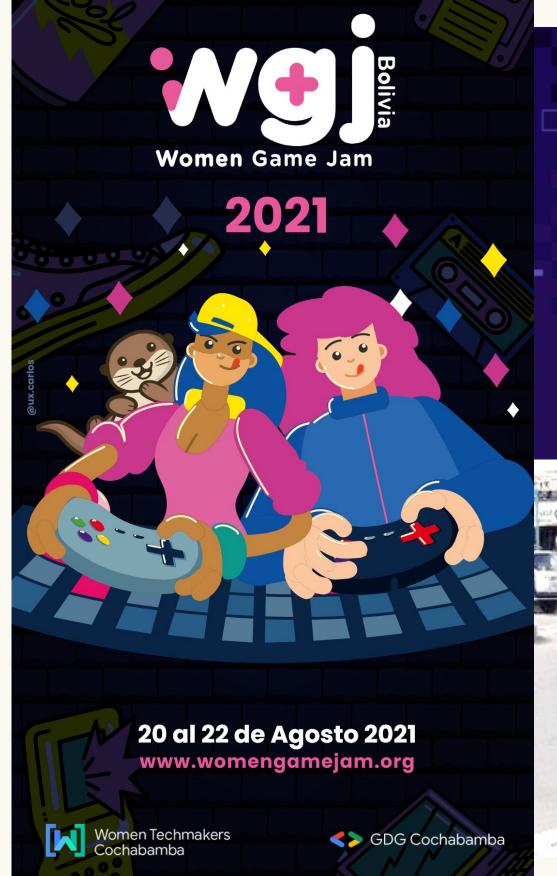




Encourage Children to Develop Games



Promoting healthy collaborative environments from a young age.







WGJ Kids



Teaching MakeCode and Unity



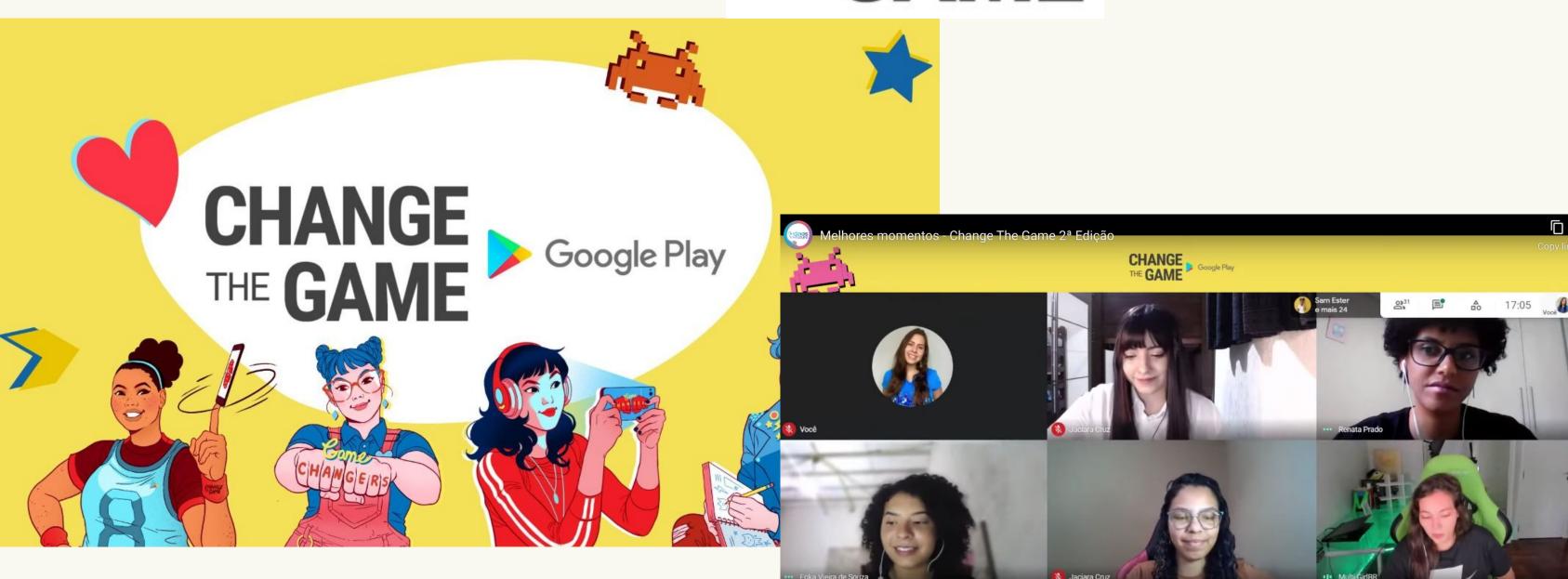


https://arcade.makecode.com/





CHANGE THE GAME



Detalhes da reunião ^

Apresentar agora



TALLER DE CREACIÓN DE VIDEOJUEGOS

PARA NIÑOS Y NIÑAS

















Working closely with the families.







Brother and Sister program in Unity

Encourage Children inside the STEAM









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VALENTINA MUÑOZ, DE LA ASOCIACIÓN DE MUJERES JÓVENES POR LAS IDEAS Y EMBAJADORA ROLE-MODEL DE ONU MUJERES:

"Queremos empoderar a niñas y adolescentes, asegurarles que nadie les puede decir que no pueden"

En 2019 y junto a dos compañeras, la activista creó Amuji, entidad que busca empoderar a las jóvenes y potenciar su entrada al mundo STEM (ciencia, tecnología, ingeniería y matemáticas), pues dice que "el sistema está hecho para que las mujeres no destaquen". SOFIA NEUMANN

(Amuji Chile), ONG que apunta a jóvenes de hasta 18 años y que se formalizóen 2019: "Queremos empoderar a niñas
y adolescentes, asegurarles que nadieles puede decir que no pueden porqueson chicas. Hay una violencia bidireccional que viven las niñas, ya que no solo son mujeres sino que también son
menores de edud, queremos que ellas
se concienticen de este problema, que

se empoderen y difundan la información a otras personas (...) El sistema está hecho para que las mujeres no destaquen en áreas STEM (ciencia, tecnologia, ingeniería y matemáticas), por eso hay poca representación en esas ca-

hay poca representación en esas carreras. No es que falta interés, sino que esta brecha comienza en cuarto básico, tenemos que darle protagonismo a las niñas", afirma.

La primera iniciativa fue un tour
para Il oniñas que
recorrieron el
Museo Interactivo Mirador (MIM)
junto a reconocidas
mujeres del área
STEM, como Cecilia Hidalgo, Premio Nacional de
Ciencias Naturales 2006, y Dani

nan las actividades para sus pares", dice y añade que "Amuji no es solo una red de amigas, viene de una necesidad de conectar y hacer algo por un mundo que nos está haciendo daño". En paralelo, la organización se unió a una alianza con Unicef, América Soli-

JOVEN LÍDER EN LA POLÍTICA DE INTELIGENCIA ARTIFICIAL

En el contexto de la consulta ciudadana para construir la primera Política de Inteligencia Artificia (IA), convocada por el Ministerio de Ciencia, en agosto Amuji y Unicef realizaron mesas autoconvocadas para

> níños y adolescentes que quisieran aportar. Tos colaboradores oficiales, que convocan a mesas y firman el documento que se entrega después, solo podían ser mayores de 18 años. Entonces, hicimos una jornada de formación de diálogo", dice Muñoz. En total

recopilaron la opinión de 150 niños en un documento que fue firmado por ella (justo cumplió los 18), con lo que se convirtió en la colaboradora más joven









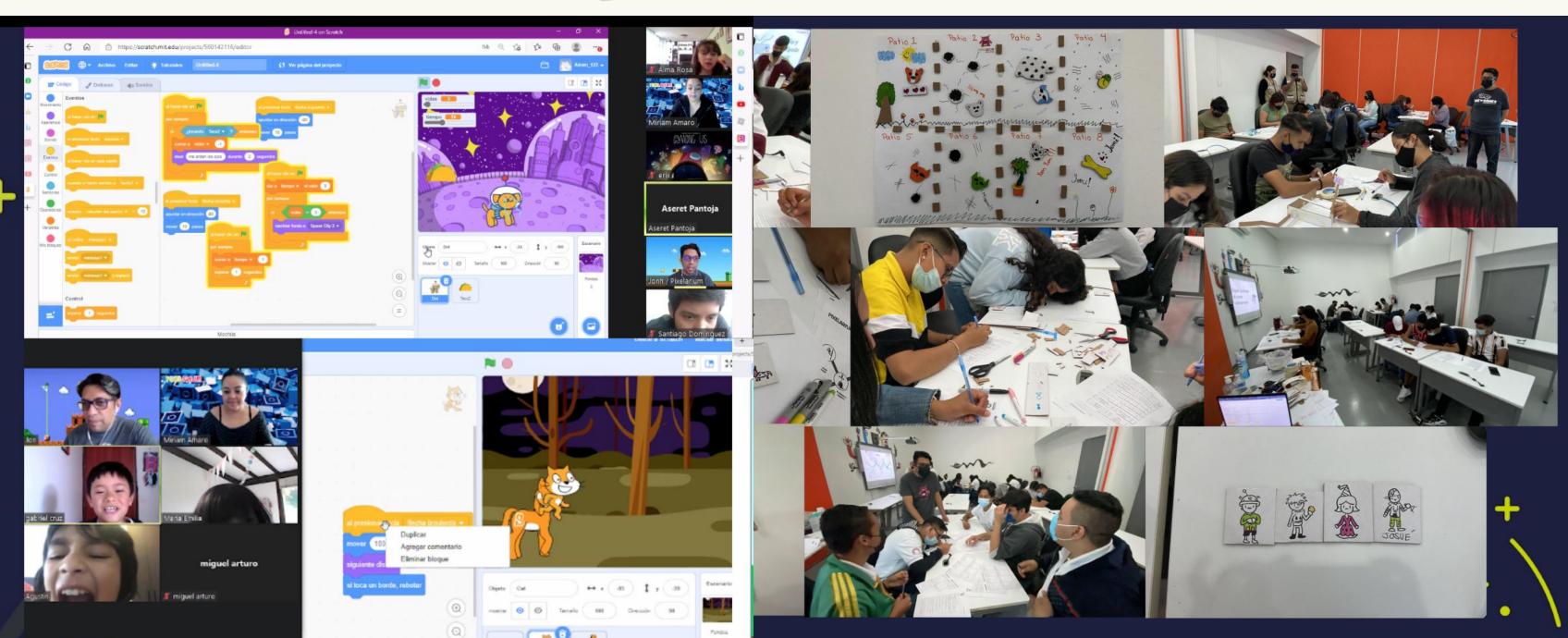


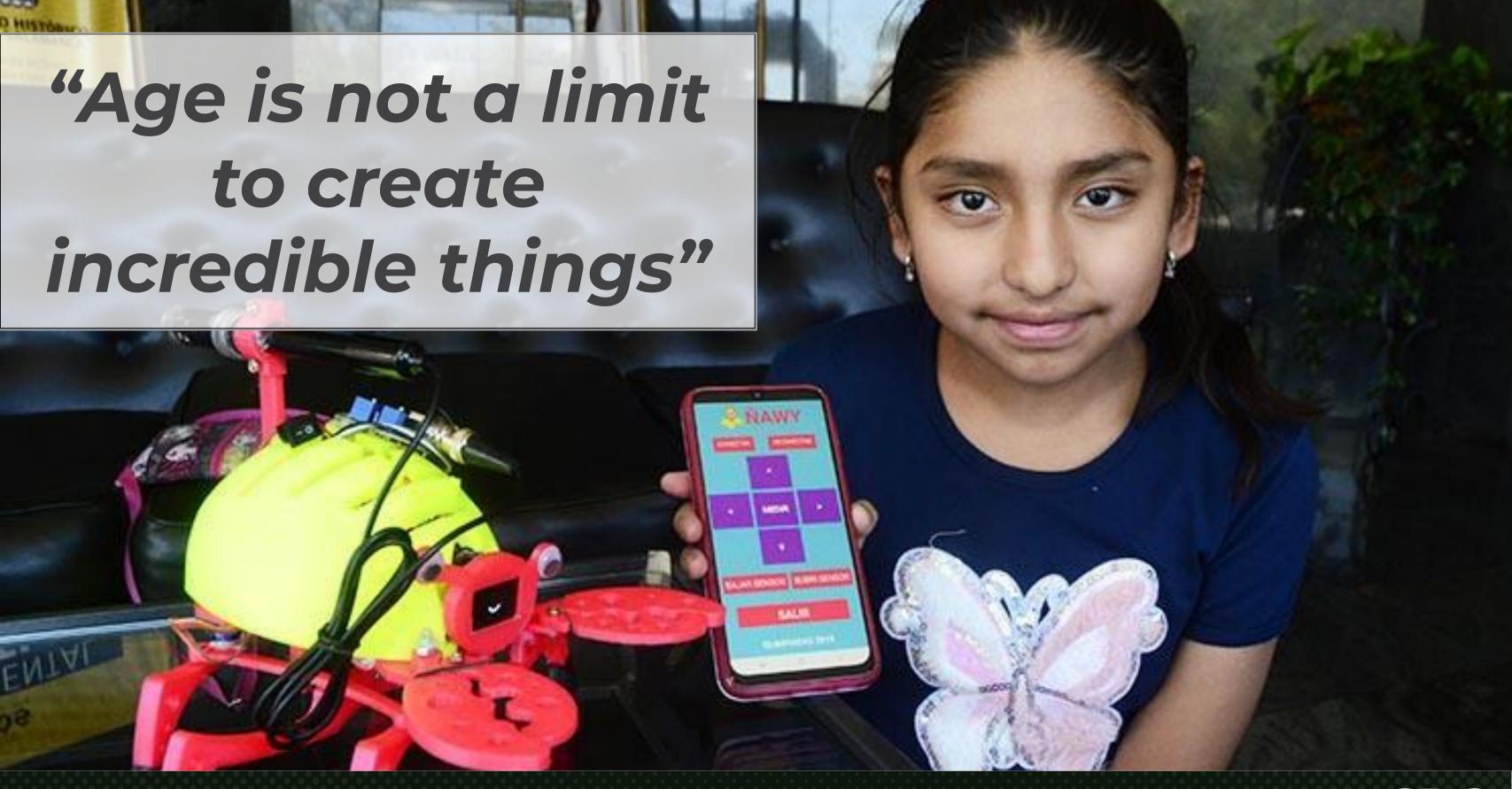




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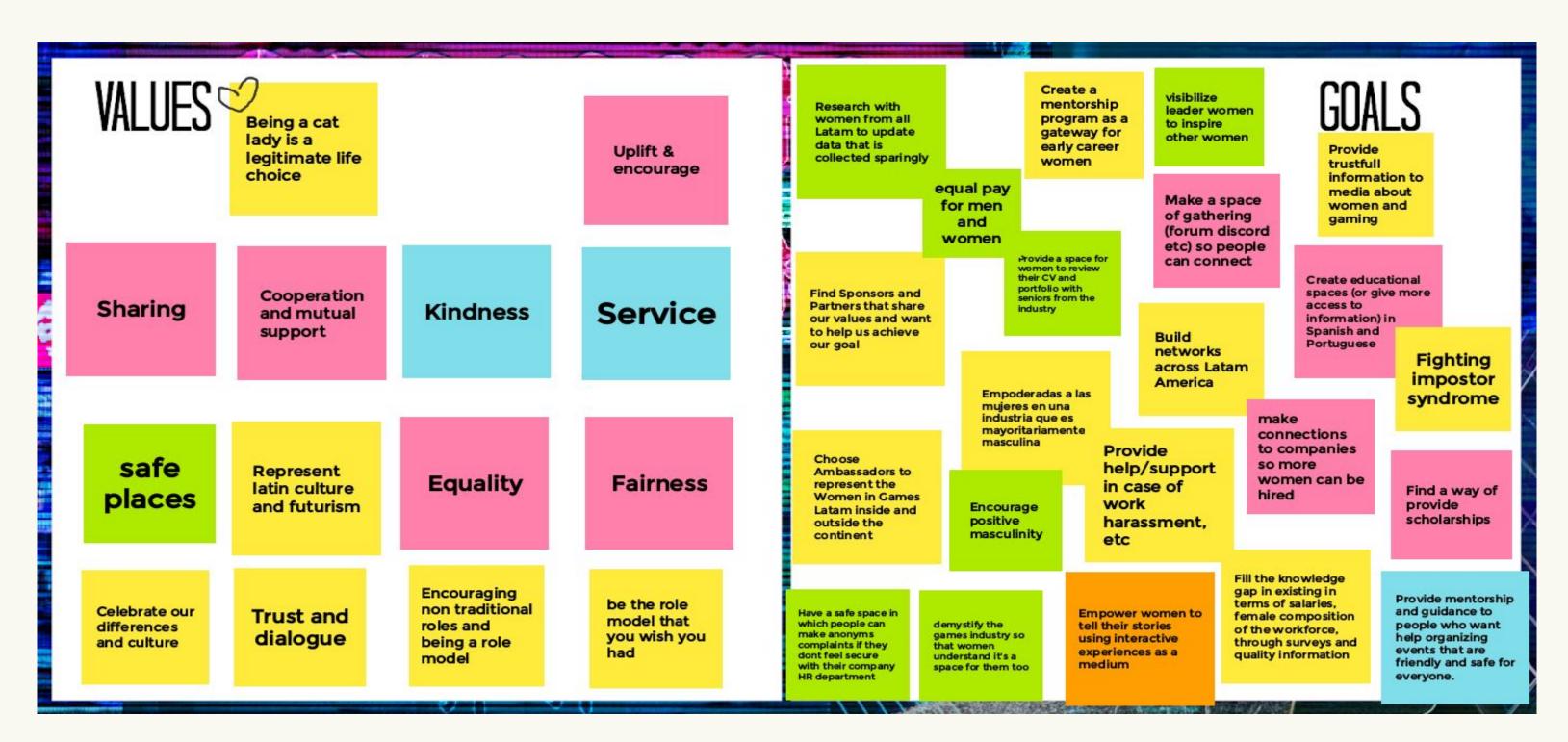
Federation', a coalition network of collaboration with the stated goal of empowering women working in video games across Latin America,



WOMEN IN GAMES LATAM FEDERATION



OUR VALUES & GOALS





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EQUALITY

SERVICE

KINDNESS

COOPERATION

TRUST

RESILIENCE

<u>"Be the role model you wish you had"</u>

INSPIRATION

IMPACT

REPRESENTATION



















NEXT STEPS:

INFORM:

Bridge the existent informational gap, getting quality and up to date data on female composition of the industry, roles, salaries,

EXPAND:

Build an even bigger network reaching out to other countries in LATAM.

MENTOR:

Create a mentorship program to nurture early and raising talent.

SHOWCASE:

Continue to create opportunities for visibility of women working in video games and showcase female talent, by doing workshops, conferences public speaking, being role models at schools, media, etc.



















How many hands we can expect to see up next time?...

And you? Would you join us to make this come true?

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