

INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

Promote the recognition of indigenous peoples and lands as an asset for the country's development and for the climate balance in public policies about climate change, guaranteeing their rights and, as a consequence, the protection of forest and water resources in the Amazon.

Bullets:

173 Indigenous Peoples live in the Brazilian Amazon.

1/3 of Amazon's forest area are Indigenous Lands.

Homologated ILs decrease in 20-30 times chance of deforestation.

Forest areas in ILs can keep balanced temperatures.

Strategies:

- Support indigenous organizations and leaderships: indigenous people engaged in spaces for debate and decision-making about the climate.
- Ensure the inclusion of indigenous views and rights in public policies through technical studies subsidies.
- Support the maintenance of the territorial integrity in indigenous lands in an altered climate through the use of innovative tools that inform actions to reduce climate impacts.
- Promote sensitize of diverse stakeholders in recognizing that indigenous peoples' lives and knowledge contribute to climate balance and the importance of guaranteeing their rights and strengthening socioenvironmental laws.

What we have already done:

- More than 30 workshops between 2010 and 2018 about climate change, REDD + (Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation), and related themes, for indigenous representatives from all over Brazil;
- Support of indigenous leaders' participation, organization of side-events and dissemination of studies at UN Climate Conferences since 1999;
- Establishment and support of the Indigenous Committee of Climate Change's activities and meetings;
- Development and feeding the online platform SOMAI - System of Observation and Monitoring of the Indigenous Amazon;
- Winner of Google Social Impact Award - 2016, for developing the smartphone app : Indigenous Climate Alert;
- More than ten publications with information about indigenous peoples' importance for climate balance and reduction of deforestation;
- Technical support in the elaboration of the subchapter about vulnerable populations and indigenous peoples in the National Plan for Adaptation to Climate Change.



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