



OUR FUTURE FORESTS AMAZONIA VERDE

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OUR CHALLENGE

The Amazon rainforest — one of the world’s largest carbon sinks and home to the richest biodiversity on the planet — is in crisis. Man-made fires, agriculture and logging are bringing the Amazon to a tipping point that will have irreversible consequences for people, wildlife and the planet. To avoid this, we cannot afford to lose any remaining forest.

Indigenous peoples and local communities legally own at least a quarter of the Amazon. Supporting their management of these lands is critical to protecting the Amazon against the threats of unsustainable development and climate change.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Our Future Forests–Amazonia Verde is working to conserve up to 12 percent of the Amazon — about 73 million hectares (180 million acres) — by 2025. Supported by the government of France, the project is one of the conservation priorities of the Alliance for the Protection of Tropical Forests.

The project supports the conservation initiatives of 26 groups of Indigenous peoples and local communities — providing them with the tools, training, and financing needed to manage their lands and support overall conservation of the Amazon. Project activities will benefit more than 68,000 men, women and children.

The project also provides an opportunity to help close gender gaps by supporting women’s leadership and highlighting women’s roles as key players in local, national and regional conservation decision-making processes. Particular attention will be given to the application of Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) and other rights-based approaches for gender equity.

IMPLEMENTATION

Our Future Forests—Amazonia Verde will focus on four key areas:

COMPONENT 1 Protecting and improving management of Indigenous peoples’ and local communities’ lands:

Working together with Indigenous organizations and local authorities to increase the amount of land under protection and support the improved management of existing Indigenous lands and buffer zones using a combination of traditional knowledge and new technology. We are also supporting the development of land management plans where they currently do not exist, and guidelines for managing of natural resources and cultural heritage.

COMPONENT 2 Enhancing leadership training and opportunities for professional development:

Providing tools to build technical capacities and engaging decision makers through programs aimed at improving negotiation, finance, administrative and communication skills. The project is supporting new leaders, by providing strategic training for women and youth.



- **Establish an alternative distance learning and knowledge sharing platform for Indigenous people:** To respond to the lockdown communities are facing due the covid-19 outbreak, this platform would allow for training activities and knowledge sharing. Taking advantage of the existing 3G, Internet and radio coverage many of the target communities already have. The project is identifying existing mechanisms and build upon them to create a strong network of information between the project and Indigenous peoples, and between Indigenous peoples themselves.
- **Fellowship program for female Indigenous leaders: (24 fellows are being selected in 7 Amazon countries):** Building upon CI’s Indigenous Leaders Conservation fellowship, we start building a cohort of females’ Indigenous leaders’ fellows from the Amazon to provide them with dedicated mentoring and training opportunities and expose them to leadership opportunities. Fellows were recruited through an open application process and be appointed for a period of 12 months. The fellowship program will focus on women as indigenous leaders on environmental solutions in the Amazon. For more information see the [Women’s Fellowship Program](#).



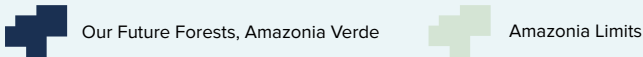
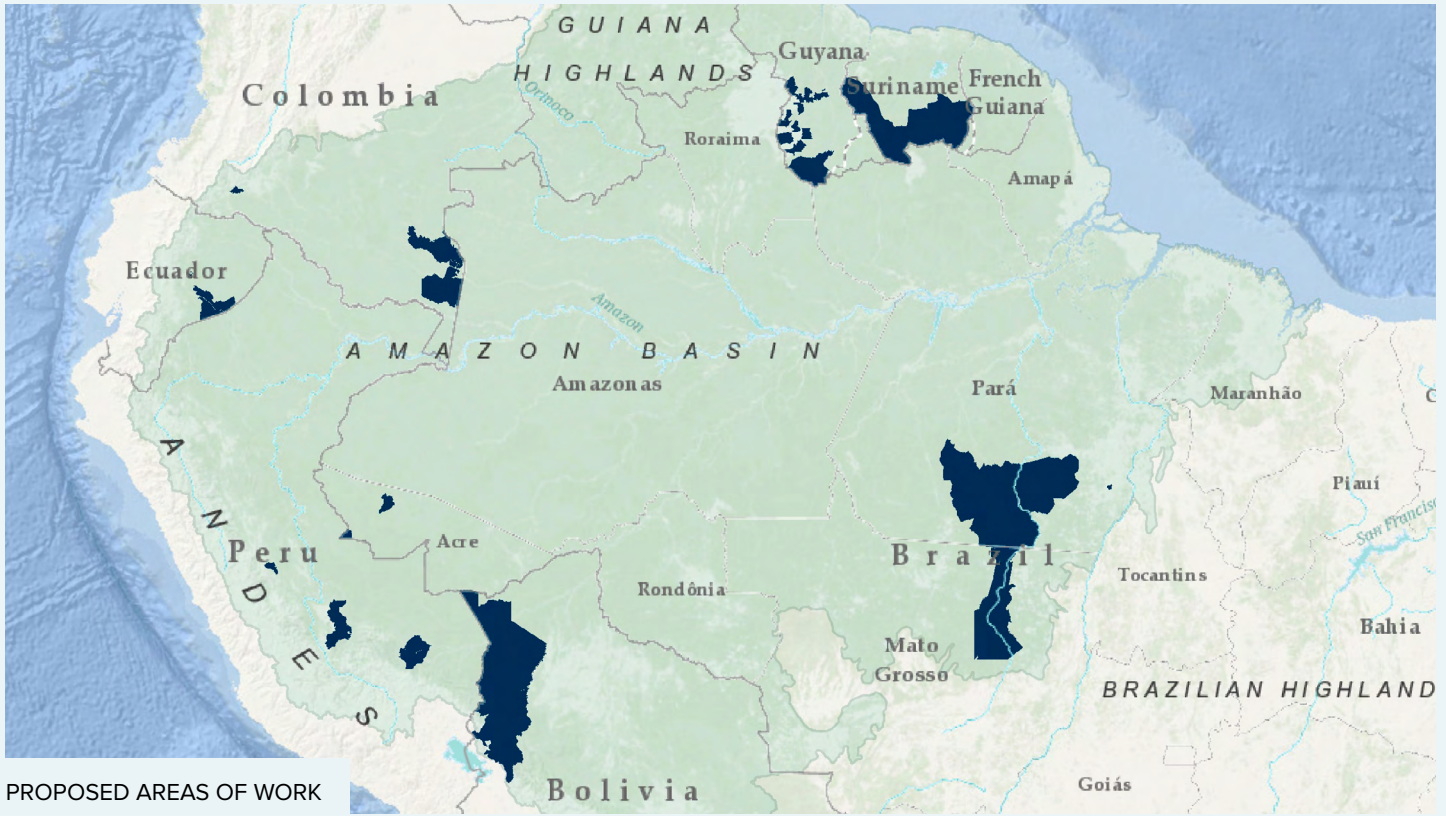
COMPONENT 3 Identifying sustainable value chains and financial mechanisms:

Increasing possibilities to access financing for livelihood strategies and business ideas in support of sustainable development and goods that do not contribute to deforestation in the Amazon. The project is working to facilitate access to climate and conservation finance and develop innovative opportunities.

COMPONENT 4 Improving advocacy for the Amazon:

Sharing lessons learned across the Amazon basin to contribute to Indigenous and local leaders’ understanding of climate change, ongoing mitigation and adaptation efforts, and negotiations and conservations agreements underway. Also, showcasing efforts and results to a wider audience by participating in international conservation events.

WHERE WE WORK?



COLOMBIA

Amazonas, Cauca and Vaupes Regions

- Yaigojé Apaporis
- Camaritagua
- Comefayú
- Curare-los Ingleses
- Puerto Córdoba
- Municipio de Piamonte

ECUADOR

Pastaza and Morona Santiago Regions

- Achuar
- Kichwa

PERU

3 to 5 Communal Reserves

- Yánesha
- Amarakaeri
- Machiguenga
- Ashaninka
- Purus

BOLIVIA

La Paz And Pando Regions

- Uchupiamonas
- Tacana I
- Tacana II
- Yaminahua – Machineri
- Quechua
- Aymara

GUYANA

Rupununi Region

- Macushi
- Wapishana

SURINAME

South Suriname, Sipaliwini Region

- Trio
- Wayana

BRAZIL

Acre, Pará, Mato Grosso States

- Alto Xingu
- Kayapó
- Ashaninka
- Yawanawa
- Zo'e



26
Indigenous territories

21
Indigenous partners organizations in 7 countries

1
Indigenous regional organization (COICA)

PHASE I
59,118
people

PHASE II
68,658
people

OVERVIEW OF AREAS

COUNTRY	AREAS		BENEFICIARIES	
	PHASE I	PHASE II	IPLCs	IPLC ORGANIZATIONS
BOLIVIA La Paz And Pando Regions	Direct (ha): 1,122,691 Indirect (ha): 6,395,237	Direct (ha): 2,297,820 Indirect (ha): 5,220,108	Phase I: 8,014 people - Uchupiamonas - Tacana I - Tacana II - Yaminahua, Machineri - Quechua - Aymara Phase II: noadditional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Central Organization for the Indigenous Peoples of La Paz (CEPILAP – an umbrella indigenous organization) Indigenous Council of the Tacana People (CIPTA) Territorial Organization of Uchupiamonas Indigenous People Tacana II Indigenous Community Central of the Madre de Dios River (CITRMD) Indigenous Central of Amazonian Peoples of Pando (CIPOAB)
BRAZIL Acre, Pará, Mato Grosso States	Direct (ha): 14,474,205 Indirect (ha): 27,343,565	Direct (ha): 14,474,205 Indirect (ha): 27,343,565	Phase I: 16,295 people - Alto Xingu - Kayapó - Ashaninka - Yawanawa - Zo'e Phase II: noadditional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordination of Indigenous Organizations of the Brazilian Amazon (COIAB) Association Yawalapiti (Amapã) Association Floresta Protegida (AFP), Institute Kabu (IK), Institute Raoni (IR) Association Ashaninka do Rio Amônia (APIWTXA) Sociocultural Association Yawanawá (ASCY)
COLOMBIA Amazonas, Cauca and Vaupes Regions	Direct (ha): 1,400,000 Indirect (ha): 4,000,000	Direct (ha): 1,400,000 Indirect (ha): 4,000,000	Phase I: 3,000 people - Yaigóje Apaporis - Camaritagua - Comefayú - Curare-los Ingleses - Puerto Córdoba - Municipio de Piamonte Phase II: noadditional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Association of Indigenous Captains of the Yaigóje Apaporis (ACIYA) Association of Indigenous Captains of the Yaigóje Apaporis Vaupés (ACIYAVA) Association of Indigenous Authorities of La Pedrera Amazonas (AIPEA)
ECUADOR Pastaza and Morona Santiago Regions	Direct (ha): 377,880 Indirect (ha): 309,174	Direct (ha): 687,054 Indirect (ha): 0	Phase I: 4,895 people - Achuar - Kichwa Phase II: +4,005 people - Achuar - Kichwa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confederation of Indigenous Nationalities of Ecuador
GUYANA Rupununi Region	Direct (ha): 2,018,234 Indirect (ha): 4,042,148	Direct (ha): 2,018,234 Indirect (ha): 4,042,148	Phase I: 15,000 people - Macushi - Wapishana Phase II: noadditional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> North Rupununi District Development Board Kanuku Mountain Community Representative Group South Rupununi District Development Board National Touchau's Council
PERU 5 Communal Reserves	Direct (ha): 657,060 Indirect (ha): 1,509,470	Direct (ha): 2,445,550 Indirect (ha): 2,312,749	Phase I: 8,914 people Communal reserves: - Yánesha - Amarakaeri - Machiguenga Phase II: +6,535 people Communal reserves: - Ashaninka - Purus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Association of Administration Contract Executors (ANECAP)
SURINAME South Suriname, Sipaliwini Region	Direct (ha): 695,000 Indirect (ha): 6,505,000	Direct (ha): 1,235,000 Indirect (ha): 5,965,000	Phase I: 3,000 people - Trio - Wayana Phase II: noadditional	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facilitating body for South Suriname Indigenous declared TWTIS corridor (TRIJANA) Stichting Tukha, community-based organization in the Trio community of Alalapadu
TOTAL	Direct (ha): 20,745,070 Indirect (ha): 49,404,029	Direct (ha): 24,557,863 Indirect (ha): 48,607,343	- 26 IPLC territories - 21 IPLC partner organizations in 7 countries - 1 IPLC regional organization (COICA-Coordinator of Indigenous Organizations of the Amazon River Basin) Phase I: 59,118 people Phase II: 68,658 people	

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