

Amazonía 2.0 was established in 2017 with the purpose of mitigating threats and pressures on Amazon forests through the appropriate management of indigenous and peasant territories.

This project was funded by the European Union, coordinated by IUCN South America, and implemented by a consortium of organizations in Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Peru and Suriname.

Currently, Amazonía 2.0 directly monitors 420,000 hectares, and its area of indirect influence is more than 9 million hectares.

Amazonía 2.0's most important tool is community monitoring, which allows indigenous peoples and peasants to ensure the sustainable management of their natural resources.

The project has trained a group of "Environmental Promoters" (as they are called locally) who observe, measure and report climate and biodiversity variables as well as threats to their territory.

With this information, community organizations and authorities make effective decisions for a timely and intercultural management of the territory.



n Colombia, Amazonía 2.0 is executed Fundación Natura and has strenathened the technical and organizational capacities of the Inga indigenous community of the Niñeras Reservation and the peasant communities of eight villages of the Mononguete nucleus in the municipality of Solano (Caquetá), covering an area of 30,000 hectares.

Amazonía 2.0 has allies such as the Institute of Hydrology, Meteorology, and Environmental Studies (IDEAM), the mayor's office of Solano and Universidad de la Amazonía, among others.





a. Strengthening intercultural governance

- The peasant communities of Núcleo Mononguete and the Inga indigenous community of the Niñeras Reservation (Solano, Caquetá), whose mindset and cultures differ, consolidated a synergic working relationship to adequately manage the territory they share.
- These communities reached agreements for the conservation and recovery of the Niñeras and Niñeritas streams, the main tributaries from which they draw water.
- The communities progressed in the creation of Village Environmental Plans as a route to improve their living conditions, which will allow them to manage their territory and achieve multilevel impact.

b. Territory monitoring

- Since June 2018, the promoters have been recording daily values of precipitation, temperature, and humidity in 12 climatological stations based in their homes.
- 14 species were prioritized for community monitoring. Among these is the *Plecturocebus caquetensis* an endemic primate critically endangered according to the IUCN red list.
- 12 environmental promoters were trained and certified in Community Monitoring by Universidad de la Amazonía.



- Two Community Monitoring Centres have been set up as meeting and learning spaces.
- The environmental promoters actively participate in the National Community Monitoring Network led by the IDEAM.
- The information about the area of intervention not only facilitates the territorial management of the communities, but also broadens knowledge about the Colombian Amazon and the intercultural processes that are being strengthened.
- Documents that contain these results include the Guide to Birds and Mammals of the Niñeras Indigenous Reservation and the Mononguete Nucleus, and the Guidelines for Intercultural Community Monitoring.





Challenges



 To continue supporting and strengthening community processes of territory management and effective decision-making in Solano (Caquetá) based on their own and timely information on climate, biodiversity, and local governance.

- To maintain the monitoring program, especially of the 14 species of birds and mammals prioritized by environmental promoters, in order to generate information that contributes to the conservation of Amazonian biodiversity at any level of risk.
- To consolidate and institutionalize environmental promoters in these territories, such that they contribute to and oversee the effective management of natural resources.
- To consolidate the Intercultural Management Plan of the Territory and to bring the Village Environmental Plans built by local communities to the execution phase, linking this plan to key issues such as climate change adaptation and post-pandemic recovery.
- To reduce the technological gaps that persist in the Amazonian territories and hinder community processes.

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