

#### MONITORING BIODIVERSITY IN BRAZIL

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## **Amazon: BIODIVERSITY**





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#### Facts - Brazilian Amazon

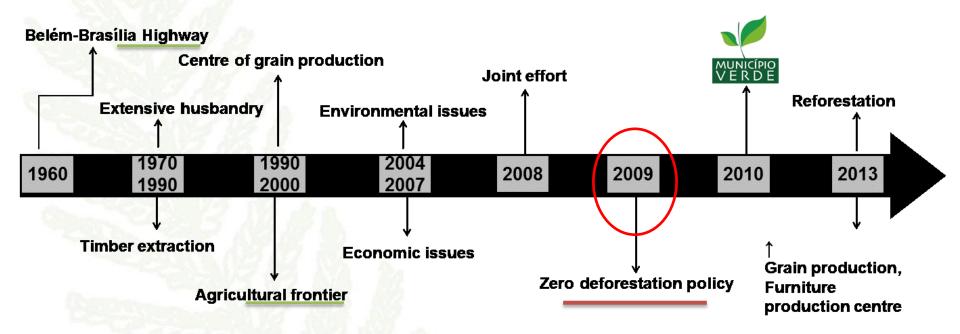
- Covers 60% of total Amazon
  - Most species rich biome in the world
  - 80% = moist broadleaf forest ecosystem
- Area: 4.200.000 km<sup>2</sup>
  - 42% of US, 54 % of Australia
  - 7.5 times France, 100 times Netherlands
- Key role in global climate regulation
- Many societal interests
  - Provisioning services
     (food, timber, medicine, minerals, energy, etc.)
  - Regulating services

     (air purification, carbon sequestration, climate regulation, etc.)
  - Cultural services
     (historical, spiritual, recreational, science, education)
- Threatened by:
  - Deforestation (agricultural expansion, urban sprawl, timber harvesting)
  - Climate change (drought increases are expected -> forest types/-composition)



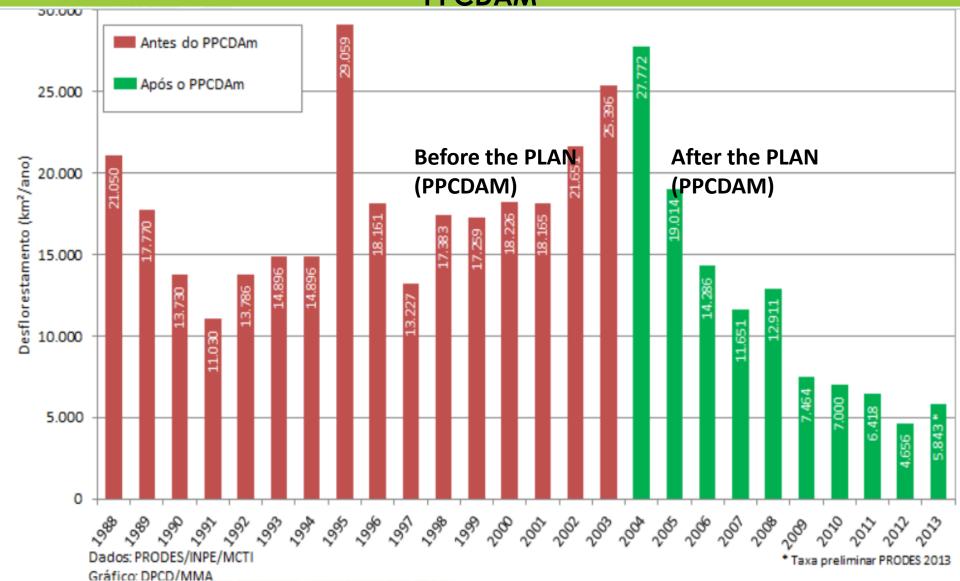
## **Amazon: Context of Transformation**

#### **INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE AMAZON**





## Plan for Amazon Deforestation Control and Prevention - PPCDAM









# Adaptation: Low Carbon Emission Agriculture (ABC) PLAN

"Reverting the Carbon Signal of Brazilian Agriculture"



GOAL 3 M ha 1,95 M.T. CO<sub>2</sub>eq.ha.ano

Increase afforestation

Emissões de GEE pela agropecuária

Agricultural GHG emissions







Goal 8 M ha
14,6 M.T. CO<sub>2</sub>eq.ha.ano
Increase No-tillage







MAPA, 2015

Goal 4 M ha 27,1 M.T. CO<sub>2</sub>eq.ha.ano

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**Integration Crop-Forest** 

Goal 15 M ha 101,7 M.T. CO<sub>2</sub>eq.ha.ano

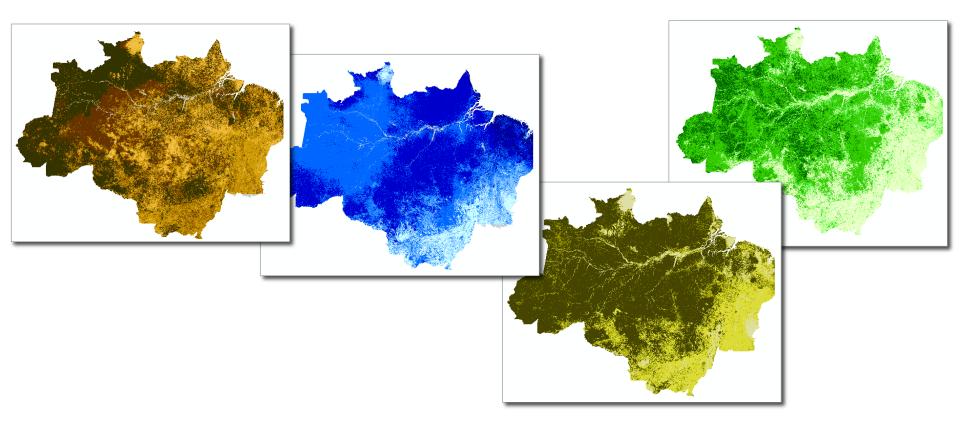


**Recover Degraded Pasture** 

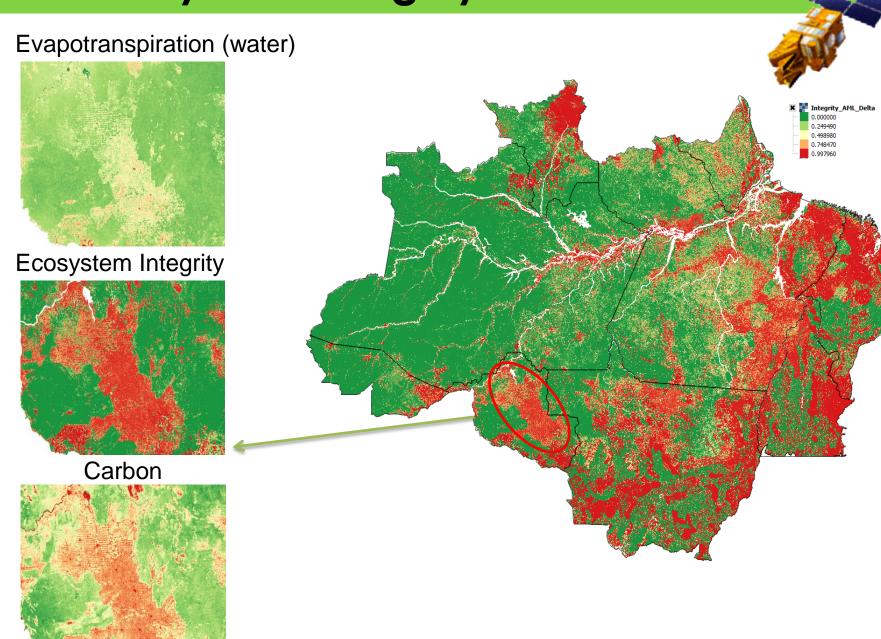


Integration Crop-Livestock-Forest

Ecosystem Integrity Based on Satellite Products – Free Data Access (Modis)



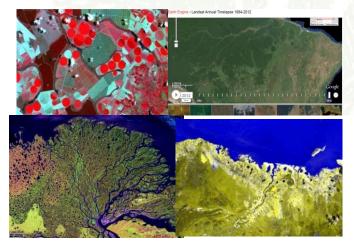
**Ecosystem Integrity and Services** 



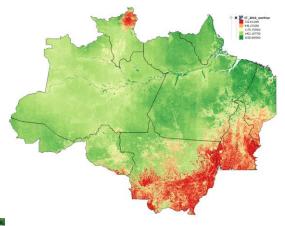
## **Ecosystem Integrity from Space**

 Satellite based Ecosystem Integrity could monitor
 Ecosystem Condition—supporting National and Global Policies

 Could Build a Road Map for a Global Land and Biodiversity Observatory









# UNDERSTANDING AND MANAGING TRADEOFFS

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### **Socio-Economic-Ecological Interactions**



#### 1. NATIONAL SCALE

→ Econometric model: 27 countries



#### 3. LOCAL SCALE

→ Stakeholder workshops 3 communities



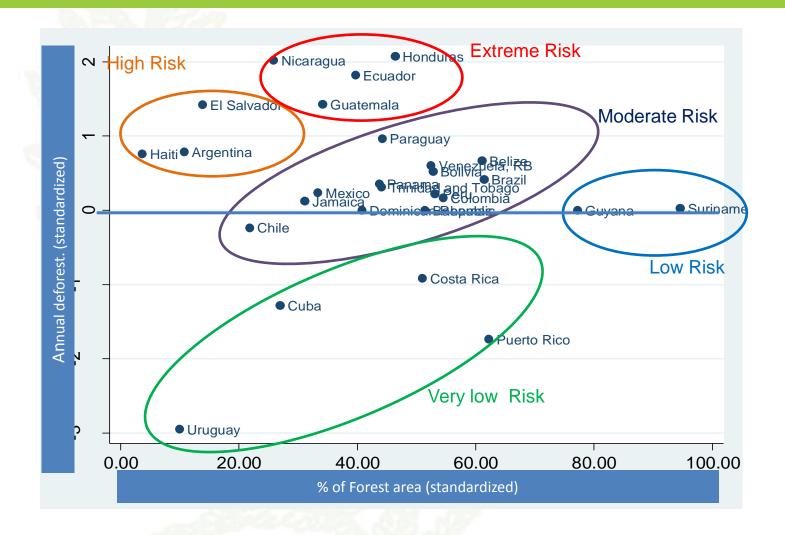
#### 2. PROVINCIAL SCALE

→ Bio-economic Model (2 regions)





## 1. National Scale: ROBIN Case Studies in Moderate Risk Zone





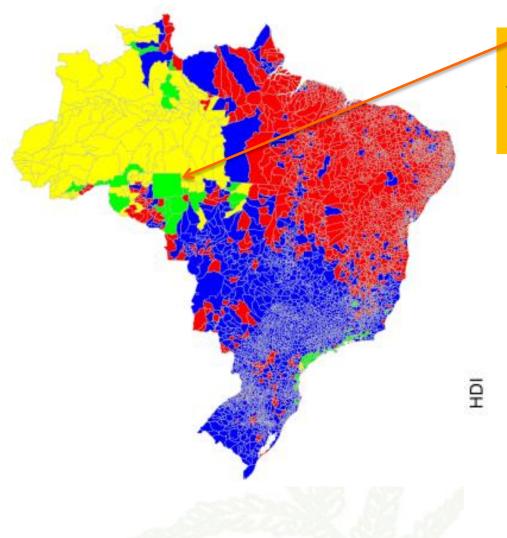


#### 2. Provincial Scale -----Fieldwork in Bolivia & Brasil

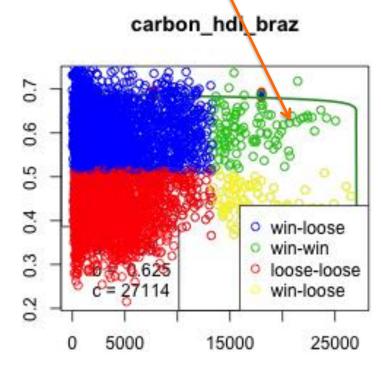
- Key findings Bolivia & Brasil:
- -1. Subsistence farms have largest forest area, .....large farms are highly deforested
- -2. Trend to single crop cultivation in large farms
- -3. market prices drive decisions in middle-large farms; ......family consumption in subsistence farms
- -4- Farmers have access to social programs, but most do not have property rights and therefore cannot benefit from credit lines



## From "lose:lose" to "win:win"



Only a few areas in Brasil today have high HDI and high carbon density





## 3. Local level Stakeholder workshops



### 3. Local level→ Key findings

**Brazil** 

Core Problems: 1. Deforestation, 2. Biodiversity Loss

**Drivers:** 1.agricultural production pressure

**Bolivia** 

Core Problems: 1. Deforestation, 2. Pollution

**Drivers:** 1. agricultural expansion

Mexico

Core Problems: 1. Deforestation, 2. Agric. Expansion

Drivers: 1. Lack of education, 2. low farm income, 3.

Bad design and no implementation of policies



## OPTIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT (from Case Study Sites)

- 1. Develop Technical Capacity
- 2. Governmental Coordination
- 3. Investment in Health and Education
- 4. Programmes for Integration of Agricultural and Forestry
- 5. Programmes to develop Environmental Awareness
- 6. Support for Social Participation in Policy Development





#### **CONCLUSIONS**

Different patterns of deforestation across nations

Stakeholder perceptions of present situation are alike

- Visions of a sustainable future diverge
- .....BUT:
- Economic Development, Agricultural & Biodiversity Conservation policies need to be Integrated and Coordinated





### **MANAGEMENT & POLICY**

**TERRY PARR** 

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# Local: What are the Best Management Options for Mitigation and Adaptation?



Option A: Mix cropping



Option C: Soya plantation



Option B: Teak plantation



Option D: Nature reserve





### <u>OPTamos – Tool for decision making in a complex world</u>



Free online access:

http://robin-decisionsupport.aau.at/aaahp/authenticated/home.xhtml

## **EU biodiversity strategy**



#### What can the EU do?

#### Implement The European Biodiversity Strategy (2020)

#### Target 2:

Share knowledge about Ecosystem Services management

#### Targets 3,4:

- Reduce the Ecological Footprint by less dependency on Latin American plantations
- targeted aid: fair prices for certified products

#### Target 6: to help avert global biodiversity loss by:

- reducing indirect drivers of biodiversity loss
- mobilising additional resources for global biodiversity conservation







#### **UN Sustainable Development Goal**

"...endeavour to decouple economic growth from environmental degradation..."

.... is biodiversity part of the solution?





#### Role of Biodiversity in Climate Change Mitigation





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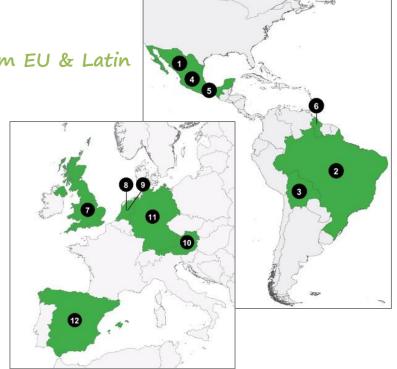
An inter-disciplinary collaboration of 12 partners from EU & Latin America











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