

THE FORESTS DIALOGUE



Field-Dialogue on Tree Plantations in the Landscape (TPL) in Brazil

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KEY QUESTIONS FOR FIELD SITES

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Theme: High Conservation Value Areas under legal status of protection (Private Natural Heritage Reserves).

- 1- Regarding landscape scale, what is the relevance of the High Conservation Value Areas for protection of biodiversity and ecosystem services?
- 2- In what way does their legal status affect their protection and management effectiveness?
- 3- How can these areas be used in a regional strategy for sustainable landscapes?
- 4- What are the pros and cons of these reserves be managed by companies?
- 5- What success have companies had securing areas for HCV5 (basic needs/food security) and HCV6 (sacred sites/ identity)

TREE FARM

Theme: Rural properties supplying wood for pulp and paper production and other uses.

- 1- What are the main bottlenecks for expanding the wood supply for pulp production and other purposes by independent outgrowers?
- 2- What are the main challenges for the forest certification of outgrowers?
- 3- Considering the landscape scale, what role would the stakeholders play in the diversification of the forest-based production chains in the region?
- 4- What kind of support do tree farmers receive (gov. agencies, companies, association, others) to ensure socially, economically and environmentally sustainable practices.
- 5- What kind of influence the partnership with these tree farmers may have on environmental aspects?
- 6- How secure do forest farmers feel about their land rights?

AGRARIAN REFORM SETTLEMENTS

Theme: Inclusion of agrarian reform settlements and smallholder communities in the forest production chains.

- 1- What are the main lessons learned by companies and smallholders from the cooperation actions that have been implemented in the region between the social movements related to landless agenda and the pulp and paper companies?
- 2- In what way could the inclusion of small farmers in forest-based activities contribute to their food security, economic independence and poverty reduction?
- 3- Considering the climate vulnerability of these groups, how could forestry activities contribute to increasing their resilience?
- 4- How has the relationship with the different companies changed over the last 10 years? What is necessary for it to (continue) improve?
- 5- Have the land titling and land reform agencies (INCRA and state equivalents) been able to maintain support for communities?

FOREST RESTORATION SITES

Theme: Forest restoration within the sustainable landscape strategy.

- 1- How to increase the scale of forest restoration actions in this territory? What role do pulp and paper companies play in this strategy?
- 2- Considering that 11 municipalities in the region have plans for the conservation and recovery of the Atlantic Forest - ten in Bahia and one in Espírito Santo state, on the border with Bahia - how can companies and others contribute to implement the actions proposed in these plans?
- 3- How to strengthen the relationship between the Brazilian Forests Dialogue/Southern Bahia Forest Forum and the Atlantic Forest Restoration Pact, to increase the scale and efficiency of the restoration in this region and to adapt and to replicate good examples to other forestry landscapes?
- 4- How do companies work with restoration scientists or other experts?

QUILOMBOLA LANDS

Theme: Respect rights and opportunities for fair inclusion in the forest production chains.

- 1- What are the main conflicts between the rights and demands of *quilombola* people and the interests and activities of pulp and paper companies?
- 2- How have these conflicts been addressed by stakeholders? Are there any advances to report over the last 10 years?

- 3- What are the opportunities and challenges for the inclusion of *quilombola* territories and people in forest production chains, including protection, restoration and production?
- 4- What are the prime challenges for these communities? How might involvement in the forest sector improve these challenges?

INDIGENOUS RESERVES

Theme: Respect rights and lessons learned.

- 1- What are the main conflicts between the rights and demands of indigenous groups living in the territory and the interests and activities of pulp and paper companies?
- 2- How have these conflicts been addressed by stakeholders? Are there any advances to report in the last 10 years?
- 3- What are the lessons learned from the agreements established between Fibria and Guarani and Tupinikim communities?
- 4- What are the prime challenges for these communities? How might involvement in the forest sector improve these challenges?