



Bamboo, its importance, its uses and potential in the Amazon of Ecuador, Colombia and Peru will be exhibited at the largest conference in the world on the Amazon biome.

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The Global Landscapes Forum (GLF), considered the largest in the world, will be held digitally from September 21 to 23 within the framework of the United Nations Decade for Ecosystem Restoration, from the United Nations Environment Program and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, and with the support of the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development of Germany.

This meeting with content in Spanish, Portuguese and English will explore solutions to preserve and restore the biological and cultural diversity of the biome, benefiting the more than 30 million inhabitants of the region.

Currently, 40% of the Amazon is approaching the tipping point of irreversible change, losing its function as a generator of water, a catastrophe for human well-being and the health of the planet that can be prevented if we act now.

Within this context, INBAR will present the practical alternatives offered by bamboo in the Amazon region that allow strengthening the livelihoods of local communities and that contribute to building a sustainable development model based on the circular economy, the generation of income post-covid-19 and the reduction of the impacts of climate change.

To gain an in-depth understanding of these aspects, the voices of women, men and young people belonging to the Amazonian communities of Colombia, Ecuador and Peru, will echo from their territories in the session “Bamboo ecosystem services and their relationship with the Amazonian livelihoods” to be held on September 21 at 16:00 -17:30 (GMT -4), with the purpose of exposing their stories in promoting this natural resource and the training process received within the framework of the Bambuzonía project, executed by INBAR with the support of the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD).

This event will also be chaired by Pablo Jácome, regional director of INBAR, Maija Peltola, Country Director Colombia, Dominican Republic and Guyana of IFAD, Ximena Londoño, member of the National Council of the Guadua / Bamboo Chain and its Agroindustry of Colombia, Roberto Alulima, Undersecretary of Forest Production, Ministry of Agriculture Ecuador, Jaime Guevara, Prefect of Pastaza and Miriam Cerdán, General Director of the General Directorate of Sustainable Management of Forest Heritage and Wildlife SERFOR – Peru.

The results of the event and its preparatory sessions will be presented in upcoming global initiatives, such as the final days of Climate Week 2021 (20-26 September 2021), the commemoration of the 30th anniversary of the Rio Earth Summit 1992 and the 26th Conference of the Parties (COP26) of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.

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