

TC Document

I. Basic Information for TC

▪ Country/Region:	REGIONAL
▪ TC Name:	Enhancing enabling conditions for Bioeconomy in Amazonia through sectoral nexus
▪ TC Number:	RG-T4686
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▪ Taxonomy:	Research and Dissemination
▪ Operation Supported by the TC:	.
▪ Date of TC Abstract authorization:	24 Feb 2025.
▪ Beneficiary:	Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Peru, and Suriname
▪ Executing Agency and contact name:	Inter-American Development Bank
▪ Donors providing funding:	Green Climate Fund(GRN)
▪ IDB Funding Requested:	US\$1,450,000.00
▪ Local counterpart funding, if any:	US\$0
▪ Disbursement period (which includes Execution period):	30 months
▪ Required start date:	28 April 2025
▪ Types of consultants:	Individual consultants and firms
▪ Prepared by Unit:	CSC/ACU-Amazon Coordination Unit
▪ Unit of Disbursement Responsibility:	CSC/CSC-Southern Cone
▪ TC included in Country Strategy (y/n):	NA
▪ TC included in CPD (y/n):	NA
▪ Alignment to the Update to the Institutional Strategy 2024-2030:	Regional integration; Biodiversity, Natural Capital, and Climate Action; Institutional Capacity

II. Objectives and Justification of the TC

2.1 Justification. Amazonia, spanning nine countries and covering about 40% of the South American territory, harbors the world's largest tropical rainforest, representing 35% of the total primary forest land. It not only stands out due to its great biodiversity

but also influences regional and global climates. It is home to 47 million people¹ amongst them 2 million being indigenous peoples² and spans 6.7 million km² divided between Brazil (62%), Peru (11%), Bolivia (8%), Colombia (6%), Venezuela (6%), Guyana (2%), Suriname (2%), Ecuador (2%) and French Guiana (1%).³

- 2.2 Since the 1970s, the clearing of Amazonian forests has intensified, and millions of hectares of primary forest cover have been lost. In addition to direct land conversion and ecosystem degradation, climate change is intensifying disturbances and altering the dynamics of the Amazonia biome. The combined effect of anthropogenic land use change and climate change places its people to a series of social, economic, security and conservation challenges and threats, especially for Indigenous Peoples, Afro-descendants and local communities.
- 2.3 In addition, structural factors such as low productivity, illegal activities, logistical challenges and infrastructural deficiencies (electricity, Internet, etc.) exacerbate deforestation, poverty and exclusion. A recent study in the Andean Amazon region shows that over 85% of the population in 94% of the study territory experiences at least one development gap.⁴ In terms of area affected, the gaps in access to drinking water, access to primary and secondary education in rural areas, and investment in green and inclusive activities are the most severe. The financial impact gap in Amazonia is a significant issue, primarily driven by the region's complex environmental, social, and regulatory landscape.
- 2.4 In this context, Bioeconomy⁵ acts as a paradigm shift that promotes an alternative and transformative economic model based on the sustainable use of biological resources. It connects global agendas on biodiversity, climate and sustainable development with the potential to reverse biodiversity loss, increase resilience to climate change and protect vulnerable populations and ecosystems. However, for Bioeconomy in Amazonia to flourish, it is critical to look beyond ecosystems, climate and rural areas. To increase the flow of funds to bio-businesses in the bioeconomy of the Amazon region, it is essential to understand how Bioeconomy intersects and interacts with different sectors, such as social protection, labor markets, health, education, infrastructure and cities, which ultimately also shape the overall enabling environment for Bioeconomy. This cross-cutting framework/sectorial-nexus approach does not aim to respond to technical and governance barriers and risks that are also relevant for the sustainable and inclusive development of the region, such as local infrastructure and connectivity gaps, or deficiencies in land tenure and rights.
- 2.5 In 2024, the Amazonia Forever program expanded from \$1 billion to \$4.2 billion in the eight Amazon countries, including \$118 million in technical cooperation. This expansion involves mobilizing financial resources from the public and private sectors to increase our impact. Meanwhile, the number of regional networks grew to more than 10, covering sectors such as finance, politics, science, indigenous organizations,

¹ Science Panel for the Amazon 2021 *Amazon Assessment Report 2021* (New York: United Nations Sustainable Development Solutions Network)

² ² RAISG, 2020. Amazonia under pressure, 68 pgs. (www.amazoniasocioambiental.org).

³ MapBiomias Amazonia 2021 *MapBiomias Amazonia project collection v.3. of Amazonian annual land cover and land use maps* (available at: <https://amazonia.mapbiomas.org/>)

⁴ [Territorial Framework for the Inclusive, Sustainable and Green Development of the Andean Amazon Region.](#)

⁵ The **bioeconomy** refers to any economic activity based on the use of natural renewable biological resources, from both land and ocean, to obtain food, materials, and energy in a sustainable way without compromising their availability for future generations. It comprises activities related to the invention, development, production, and use of biological products and processes. For the purposes of this proposal, in the Amazon the bioeconomy aims to be climate and nature-positive, encouraging sustainable land-use practices that lead to reduced emissions, higher carbon stocks, net gains in natural capital, and increased climate resilience of vulnerable populations and ecosystems.

cities, private companies and non-profit organizations, such as the RedBioAmazonia (network of Biodiversity Research and Innovation Institutes), the network of Ministries of Education, the MINURVI (forum of ministries of housing and urbanism), and the Amazonian Cities Forum, among others.

- 2.6 Placing Bioeconomy and Amazonian People at the center requires a multi-sector (i.e. traditional, non-traditional), multi-level (i.e. local, subnational, national and regional) and multi-stakeholder (i.e. private, public, civil society, IP.AD.TC) scope for better targeted interventions. Working through a sectoral-nexus approach can enhance systemic coordination, articulation, collaboration, knowledge transfer and regional integration to increase ambition, impact and scale and thus increase the flow of funds to bio-businesses in the bioeconomy of the Amazon region.
- 2.7 Bioeconomy (together with creative economies) is one of the five pillars of IDB's Amazonia Forever⁶, an umbrella program for both internal and external audiences. The other pillars of Amazonia Forever are: Combating deforestation, People, Cities Connectivity, and sustainable Infrastructure, Sustainable and low carbon Agriculture and Forestry. The transversal areas of action are: Inclusion of Women, Indigenous Peoples, Afro-descendants and Multicultural Communities; Conservation of Climate, Biodiversity and Forests; and Strengthening Institutional Capacities and Rules of Law. Within the IDB, Amazonia Forever acts as a framework to coordinate and foster synergies with key sectors to increase financing and coherent impact interventions in Amazonia. Several partnerships and networks were boosted in this context to tackle different aspects of Amazonia's sustainable development challenges.
- 2.8 As such, Amazonia Forever works as a mechanism for collaboration and coordination in critical lines of action and sectors in the territories, based on countries' priorities. It is expected for Amazonia Forever to be an important articulator and contributor with the aim to addressing critical gaps, scale up financing, knowledge intelligence and collectively support the implementation of the different Treaties⁷, Declarations⁸ and Action plans aimed at closing social, ecological and economic gaps in Amazonia. Thus, AF advocates for a strengthened sectorial and economic-financial coordination in the region to scale-up the impact of interventions.
- 2.9 Multilateral and global Summits and Forums to advance Global Agendas, such as the Conference of the Parties (COP)⁹, present a great opportunity for representatives from governments, the private sector, and civil society to gather, discuss and negotiate efforts to tackle climate change and biodiversity. The 30th Conference of the Parties (COP30) in 2025 will be hosted for the first time in Belém, Brazil – also called the Amazon COP. It is in this context that the Amazonian countries are embarking on the road to COP30, and they have the mandate (i.e. NDCs 3.0), among others, to reflect

⁶ <https://www.iadb.org/en/who-we-are/topics/amazonia>

⁷ For example, the Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization (ACTO), an intergovernmental organization formed by the eight Amazonian countries which signed the Amazon Cooperation Treaty (ACT), a broad vision of the South-South cooperation process, which works in different dimensions within the framework of its implementation of ACT.

⁸ For example, the Belém Declaration, which addresses a wide range of topics such as institutional strengthening of ACTO; Amazon cities; Amazon Parliament; judicial and intelligence cooperation in combating illicit activities, including environmental crimes; Sustainable infrastructure; Economy for sustainable development; Health; Food and nutritional security and sovereignty, as well as social protection.

⁹ The annual Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)

on their role of nature and biodiversity, including the role that Amazonian ecosystems play for climate change adaptation and mitigation.

- 2.10 While Amazonian countries prepare for COP30, it is already known that this milestone -as it occurred for the Biodiversity COP16 (October 2024, Cali-Colombia)- will be the starting point of priority themes related to the 2030 development agenda. Thematic tracks such as bioeconomy, people-centered climate finance, innovative finance, the role of Amazonian cities, and others, will probably continue to be at the heart of the climate-biodiversity discussions beyond COP30. In addition, means of implementation (i.e. closing the gap between financing and impact) and advancing the operationalization of financial mechanisms and vehicles to achieve results and impacts will be key for Amazonian countries' renewed climate and biodiversity ambitions.
- 2.11 Beyond COP30, the international community calls for greater evidence-based interventions to ensure that policies, programs and investments are grounded on reliable, accountable and proven outcomes. In line with this, the IDBG launched in 2024 its new Institutional Strategy, [IDBImpact+](#) to put impact and scale at the core its work for the 2024-2030 period. Along three mutually reinforcing objectives and seven focus areas, this strategy aims to translate institutional priorities into measurable performance. This TC will contribute to demonstrate and show progress of Amazonia Forever and its Bioeconomy interventions and investments, including through the networks it supports – which are part of AF's implementation strategy and its value proposition. It will contribute to IDB in becoming a knowledge bank for the Amazon region.
- 2.12 **Objectives.** Based on the progress of Amazonia Forever, the objective of this TC is to generate, capitalize and disseminate knowledge from Amazonia Forever to increase the flow of funds to bio-businesses and advance enabling conditions to foster bioeconomy in the region through a sectoral-nexus approach. The specific objectives are: (1) develop knowledge stocktaking products that allow to demonstrate results and impacts of the Amazonia Forever Program and its Bioeconomy pillar, as well as support regional dialogue and networks to strengthen south-south knowledge transfer, coordination and coherence; (2) strategic support for high-level dialogue for the generation of public policies on issues of common interest in Amazonia, with a focus on Bioeconomy and cross-sectorial interventions and integration of natural capital in decision-making both at the national and sub-national level; and (3) facilitation of actions for the coordinated mobilization of climate, biodiversity, bioeconomy and innovative finance opportunities for supporting means of implementation in Amazonian countries (i.e. activities that close the finance-impact gap).
- 2.13 **Beneficiaries.** The main beneficiaries of the TC will be public sector officials from relevant sectoral ministries in the seven Amazonian countries¹⁰, such as the Ministries of Environment. Indirect beneficiaries will be bio-businesses in the Amazon region, that will benefit from national policies, regulatory frameworks and the increase of funds.
- 2.14 **Strategic Alignment.** This TC is consistent with the IDB Group Institutional Strategy: Transforming for Scale and Impact (CA-631) and is aligned with the objectives of: (i)

¹⁰ Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Peru, and Suriname

reduce poverty and inequality; (ii) address climate change; and (iii) bolster sustainable regional development and growth, since it aims at promoting a sectorial-nexus approach for integrated, integral and sustainable development of Amazonia, contributing to improving the protection of Amazonian forests and ecosystems. This TC is also aligned with the operational focus areas of: (i) biodiversity, natural capital and climate action; (ii) regional integration, by promoting multi-sector and multi-level cooperation system of countries in the Amazon basin; and (iii) social protection and human capital development. It aligns with IDB Integrated Strategy for Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation, and Sustainable and Renewable Energy (GN-2835-13), by enabling the Bioeconomy and targeting activities that reduce GHG emissions, enhance carbon stocks, and/or increase resilience, and relates to at least two sectoral frameworks: (i) Environment and Biodiversity Sectoral Framework (GN-2827-8) and (ii) Climate Change Sectoral Framework (GN-2835-8). The operation is also aligned with the Amazonia Forever Regional Program through its five pillars and three transversal areas of action.

- 2.15 Finally, this TC is consistent with the Country Strategies that prioritize sustainable and inclusive development of Amazonia and conservation of its ecosystems. Specifically, the TC contributes to knowledge generation for stocktaking, decision-making and mobilization of sustainable financing towards priority areas in the country strategies and their Amazon region, such as inclusive and sustainable social development by promoting access to quality basic services for the indigenous population, farmers, and Afro-Bolivians, incorporating cultural relevance and climate change mitigation, adaptation, and monitoring actions (Bolivia, 2022-25, GN-3088), promoting sustainable practices to curb deforestation and protect biodiversity in the Amazon, while enhancing access to essential services for communities (Brazil, 2024-2027, GN-3243-3), boost social and territorial inclusion in strategically important areas such as the Amazon region (Colombia, 2024-2027, GN-3238-3), promoting sustainable practices to protect biodiversity and curb deforestation, while implementing innovative financing (Ecuador, 2022-2025, GN-3103-1), supporting economic diversification of the non-oil economy (Guyana, 2023-2026, GN-3187), strengthening social progress in the context of environmental sustainability with a decentralized approach that prioritizes rural areas, as well as the sustainable development of the Amazon region (Peru, 2022-2026, GN-3110-1), supporting a sustainable recovery by supporting evidence-based policies and governance frameworks (Suriname, 2021-2025, GN-3065) amongst others. Additionally, the TC contributes to promoting regional cooperation and integration among Amazonian countries by fostering and sharing strategic knowledge, support high-level dialogue and enhance multi-sector and multi-level regional coordination.
- 2.16 This TC will be funded by the Amazon Bioeconomy Fund Program of the Green Climate Fund (GRN) (GN-3081-1) under Activity III.5. General advisory services by (i) facilitating Leticia Pact regional dialogue among signatories, (ii) generating high-quality knowledge products and regional/international dissemination. It is expected that these activities will help create evidence-based awareness from Amazonia Forever to advance enabling conditions to increase the flow of funds to bioeconomy through a sectoral-nexus approach. This will encourage coordinated financial flows to promote private investment to close the finance-impact gap.
- 2.17 **Complementarity with other initiatives.** This TC will have complementarities with the Bank's initiatives financed under IDB's Amazonia Forever Program, especially with RG-T4327 - Support for the establishment of a regional cooperation program for the

Amazon through the strengthening of the economic-financial regional cooperation system of the Amazon, as it builds on the creation and technical support of various Networks under Amazonia Forever; RG-T4161 - Creation of the Amazon Network for Research and Innovation on Biodiversity; RG-T4277 - Diagnostic and Analysis for the Creation of an Amazonian Cities Network and RG-T4270 - AmazonBeEco Unlocking an Inclusive Bioeconomy in the PanAmazon. This TC will build on RG-T4624 - Knowledge Generation and IDB Group Synergies for Bioeconomy in the Amazon region, which amongst others seeks to evaluate IDB interventions in Amazonia, by leveraging the evidence generated on good practices of IDB interventions in the region mainly for component 3 of this TC. Additionally, this TC will explore complementarity and/or synergy with national TCs related to Amazonia, which are mapped by the Amazon Coordination Unit (ACU) such as the EC-L1286 - BASE Program/ Bio-business Financing for a Sustainable Amazon in Ecuador. This program represents the Banks first loan operation aimed at promoting access to credit and investment in bio-businesses. Finally, this TC will seek opportunities for collaboration with IDB Invest, IDB Lab, and public-private partnerships.

- 2.18 **Synergies** will also be sought with ongoing efforts under RG-T4493 “Positioning Latin America and the Caribbean as an ambitious region on climate and nature at COP29 and COP16” which began implementation in July 2024 to create a space for dialogue to help identify common policy issues for the Latin American and Caribbean (LAC) region in the context of the international climate and biodiversity negotiations and the Multilateral Development Bank (MDB) Reform Agenda to facilitate regional collective action, as well as dialogues and strategies to generate and showcase its strategic focus on natural capital, biodiversity and climate change. This TC will seek, based on the information gathered in these other operations, to establish synergies for technical and political dialogue on issues of common interest among Amazonian countries, as well as to give continuity to strategic alliances for strengthening regional integration. Finally, this TC will coordinate with other research activities that are being carried out within the IDB Group, or at the level of the countries of the Amazon Region, through the cross-referencing of information and data, and discussion on the results obtained with the purpose of building a consolidated and accessible repository of knowledge.

III. Description of activities/components and budget

- 3.1 Component 1. Knowledge stocktaking using a sectorial nexus approach to support regional dialogue, knowledge transfer and networks (US\$600,000).** The objective of this component is to develop knowledge stocktaking products that allow to demonstrate results and impacts of Amazonia Forever¹¹ and its Bioeconomy pillar as a crosscutting framework that encompasses multiple sectors. In addition, this component also aims to advance dialogue on regulation in bioeconomy and its enabling conditions, as well as support regional dialogue and networks. This aligns with the broad vision of Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization (ACTO), to promote and strengthen South-South collaboration and cooperation processes. These activities include: (i) generation of knowledge products and stocktaking, such as a stock-taking of the updated Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) of Amazonian countries; (ii) support communication and dissemination of knowledge products through activities and events to advance the understanding of bioeconomy and strengthen south-south knowledge transfer, aligned with COP30 prioritized tracks, (iii) support sectors, partners and networks in the development and dissemination of strategic positioning

¹¹ Considering only GCF's Bioeconomy Fund geographical eligibility scope.

products, such as white papers, positioning papers, action plans on matters aligned with the thematic pillar on Bioeconomy, but seeking nexus with other pillars of Amazonia Forever and related sectors, given its cross-sectorial dimension.

Expected outputs. (1) Knowledge products, mainly studies including publications aligned with Amazonia Forever and its Bioeconomy pillar with a focus on sectorial nexus approach; (2) Sectorial positioning or white papers including action plans demonstrating Amazonia Forever's sectorial approach and its link to Bioeconomy; (3) Workshops, dialogues and technical meetings for technical teams of Amazonia Forever partners and networks. **Expected results:** (1) Strengthened national and regional dialogues and networks of practice through the use and application of high-quality knowledge products related to aligned with Amazonia Forever and Bioeconomy, including the identification of Pre-COP and post-COP30 agendas.

3.2 Component 2. Strategic support for bioeconomy high-level dialogue and networks for decision-making both at the national and sub-national levels (US\$450,000). The objective of this component is to support high-level and regional dialogue to coordinate national policies and regulatory frameworks (not only across countries but also across different sectors), promoting sustainable use of forests and production systems, including value chains, foster technological transfer to encourage sustainable business development, and strengthen financial programs and mechanisms. These dialogues also aim to contribute to the generation of public policies on issues of common interest in Amazonia, rooted in bioeconomy at the regional, national and sub-national levels. The activities to be financed include: (i) organize regional exchanges and activities with key partners and established networks under Amazonia Forever on strategic themes that foster communities of practice in Amazonia using a sectorial-nexus approach, being them in person and virtual meetings; (ii) organize workshops, technical and high-level meetings and country representatives; (iii) technical support to national and sub-national sectorial entities with a focus on cross-sectorial interventions and integration of natural capital, climate change and bioeconomy in decision-making. **Expected outputs:** (1) High-level national and regional workshops (Virtual and presential); (2) Technical Seminars with high-level and country representatives (Virtual and presential); (3) Reports capturing policy and thematic agendas pre-/post COP 30. **Expected results** (1) A better articulated vision among high-level stakeholders and country representatives through the identification of new policy and thematic agendas to support countries in the implementation of climate and nature-related agreements and decisions.

3.3 Component 3. Actions for the coordinated mobilization of innovative finance for the sustainability of the bioeconomy regional/sectoral networks in Amazonia (US\$400,000). This component will support the facilitation of actions for the coordinated mobilization of sectorial and innovative finance opportunities to increase the flow of funds to bio-businesses in the bioeconomy of the Amazon region, as well as for supporting means of implementation and the sustainability of the regional networks. The activities to be financed include: (i) Technical analysis for a funding to close the finance-impact gap; (ii) Technical support to implement COP30 agreements (iii) Technical studies and diagnostics to assess the viability of financial instruments for fostering sectorial nexus themes and networks; (iv) Organize activities and regional exchanges and dialogues for coordinated mobilization of innovative finance.

Expected outputs. (1) At least one technical study to assess the viability of financial instruments to increase the flow of funds to bio-businesses; (2) A technical proposal

including sector-specific analyses to unlock international climate finance access to promote the bioeconomy; (3) Regional/sectoral seminars and events in the framework of COP30 for better coordinated mobilization of innovative finance. **Expected results:** (1) Unlock international climate funding to increase the flow of funds to bio-businesses, sectorial and innovative finance opportunities. Overall, the basis for the sustainability strategy of this TC lies in the strengthened operational regional and sectoral networks under Amazonia Forever, closing knowledge and evidence gaps, which will foster strategic dialogue and decision making at national and subnational levels and by mobilizing innovative financing for the Bioeconomy in Amazonia.

- 3.5. All knowledge products derived from this Technical Cooperation will be the Bank's intellectual property.
- 3.6. This TC will be funded by the Amazon Bioeconomy Fund Program of the Green Climate Fund (GRN) (GN-3081-1) under Activity III.5. General advisory services by (i) facilitating Leticia Pact regional dialogue among signatories, (ii) generating high-quality knowledge products and regional/international dissemination. The total cost of this operation is US\$1,450,000. The unit responsible for disbursements will be CSC/ACU.

Indicative Budget (US\$)

Activity/Component	GRN	Counterpart Funding	Total Funding
Component 1. Knowledge stocktaking using a sectorial nexus approach to support regional dialogue, knowledge transfer and networks	600,000	0	600,000
Component 2. Strategic support for bioeconomy high-level dialogue and networks for decision-making both at the national and sub-national levels	450,000	0	450,000
Component 3. Actions for the coordinated mobilization of innovative finance for the sustainability of the bioeconomy regional/sectoral networks in Amazonia	400,000	0	400,000
Total	1,450,000	0	1,450,000

IV. Executing agency and execution structure

- 4.1. This TC is part of the Amazonia Forever program, which consists of a Bank's own initiative. Therefore the Bank will be the executing entity of this TC through the Amazon Coordination Unit of the IDB (CSC/ACU)), building from its experience, expertise and progress achieved under the program to date. The TC will have an execution period of 24 months. Considering the strategic importance of this technical cooperation and its regional nature, CSC/ACU will be executing this operation in coordination with the Bank country offices, including sector specialists in HQ and in the corresponding country offices, and the Vice-Presidency of Countries (VPC).
- 4.2. In case an activity is to be held in any of the beneficiary countries, a non-objection letter from the corresponding governmental agency will be obtained. The non-objection letter will be timely managed through the Country Representatives.
- 4.3. The Team Leader, a CSC/ACU specialist, will be responsible for the supervision of the TC and will act as a focal point, with the support of the project team members. The TC monitoring and supervision will be in accordance with the IDB policies and procedures and through the Technical Cooperation Monitoring and Reporting System (TCM).
- 4.4. All procurement to be executed under this Technical Cooperation have been included in the Procurement Plan (Annex IV) and will be hired in compliance with the applicable

Bank policies and regulations as follows: (a) Hiring of individual consultants, as established in the regulation on Complementary Workforce (AM-650) and (b) Contracting of services provided by consulting firms in accordance with the Corporate procurement Policy (GN-2303-33) and its Guidelines.

V. Major issues

- 5.1 No major risks are expected for the execution of this technical cooperation, but certain risks were identified. First, there is an operational risk, considering the diversity of actors, activities, and the number of participating countries. The risk will be mitigated through close coordination between ACU, and the different countries and sectors involved and by working closely with strategic regional partners. The coordination risk will be mitigated by ensuring close coordination between the project team and the different sector teams in VPS, and with VPC.
- 5.2 A second risk is the relevance of products for policy dialogue and decision making. The risk will be mitigated by dedicated efforts in dissemination and engagement of relevant stakeholders during preparation as well as after completion of activities, both in national and regional levels. This mitigation measure will also include the systematization and documentation derived from the activities under each component.
- 5.3 A third and final risk identified relates to temporal challenges due to COP30 taking place in the last quarter of 2025 and some knowledge products aiming this milestone. This hard deadline poses additional temporal limitations to accomplish products on time. A mitigation measure will be to design implementation timelines that follow COP30 preparatory schedule, with the adequate and prompt communication to all individuals and firms to be procured for the implementation of the different activities. Important to note that COP30 is an important milestone but shall not be considered as an end game in the context of this TC. The risk is mentioned since COP30 will be instrumental for many of the sectoral tracks that Amazonia Forever supports. Additionally, there is a risk related to having to adapt any of the activities plan as a result of the outcome of COP30.

VI. Exceptions to Bank policy

- 6.1. No exceptions to Bank policy have been identified for this operation.

VII. Environmental and Social Aspects

- 7.1 This Technical Cooperation is not intended to finance pre-feasibility or feasibility studies of specific investment projects or environmental and social studies associated with them; therefore, this TC does not have applicable requirements of the Bank's Environmental and Social Policy Framework (ESPF).

Required Annexes:

[Results Matrix_44386.pdf](#)

[Terms of Reference_53921.pdf](#)

[Procurement Plan_53319.pdf](#)