

 Early Warning System

IADB-BR-T1477

Structuring an Innovative Handicraft Value Chain for the Migrant  
Warao's Indigenous Population



### Quick Facts

<b>Countries</b>	Brazil
<b>Financial Institutions</b>	Inter-American Development Bank (IADB)
<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Bank Risk Rating</b>	C
<b>Voting Date</b>	2021-06-10
<b>Borrower</b>	Government of Brazil
<b>Sectors</b>	Technical Cooperation
<b>Investment Type(s)</b>	Advisory Services
<b>Investment Amount (USD)</b>	\$ 0.25 million
<b>Project Cost (USD)</b>	\$ 0.54 million



### **Project Description**

The main goal of the project is not to create a new chain from scratch, as it already exists; but, to better structure and bring innovation to the existing value chain so that it can scale sufficiently to effectively change Warao indigenous refugee families' lives in Brazil. The establishment of a Waraos artisans association/startup is the first step towards the success of the handicraft value chain. Once created, this will be the base from which the new chain will be structured, focused on repairing its most fragile links. The project, through the startup, will have the following goals: 1. organizing and providing social cohesion of Waraos artisans by supporting the collective production organization; 2. ensuring that artisans have timely and regular access to raw materials in adequate quantity and quality; 3. providing capacity building sessions for the artisans, in order to improve the production quality and their financial, entrepreneurial and social skills; 4. structuring a business model; and 5. seeking partnerships to increase the access to national and international markets through digital platforms.



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### Contact Information

*\*\*Project contacts not available at the time of disclosure.\*\**

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