

Sulu. Sustainable Land Use

Land Use Change in Savannahs and Grasslands. Approaches by Policy Engagement, Land Use Management and Zoning and Best Management Practices



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- Funding by IKI (International Climate Initiative)
- ✓ 4-year project (2016 –2020)
- Orinoquia in Colombia, Pantanal in Paraguay
- Unique Grassland and Savannah project jointly managed by WWF Colombia, Paraguay and Germany
- work in Orinoquia started 2010,
 Pantanal as new area for WWF



Main Goal: Climate smart land use management and zoning for Orinoquia and Pantanal, maintaining carbon, biodiversity and water regimes, and meeting sustainable agricultural production

Different pillars and strategies :

- 1. Mapping/ Land Use Planning, filling data gaps
- 2. Capacity building
- 3. Better Management Practices' (BMPs) for cattle ranching in flooded savannahs
- 4. Engagement with the financial sector
- 5. Information campaigns about the role of savannahs and grasslands



Why Grasslands and Savannahs matter

- High biodiversity ecoregions with amazing diversity of flora and fauna
- Carbon sequestration as "upsidedown-forests"
- Only 4% protected
- Delivering ecosystem services (drinking water, flood protection, food security and many more)
- High cultural diversity and richness
- Traditional farming like the Llanero culture in the Orinoquia, World Heritage

Indigenous communities and traditions like the Yshir in Paraguay

* High potential to produce and protect with ecosystem based management

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Positioning Grasslands and Savannahs

This Global Grassland Dialogue Platform * **IUCN Motion for Grassland Protection** Publication in Restoration Ecology;

Grasslands and Savannahs in the UN Decade on Ecosystem Restoration

Side Event UNGA 74 in NY, Nature4Climate,

Livestock and Grasslands Support for a 1.5 Degree Future

- Grasslands and Savannahs Forgotten Ecosystems? ** Workshop in Berlin, June 2019
- Press Trip, Communication material (video on farmers exchange) •
- Presentation at Climate COP in Bonn (2017), ...



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ACTION 4





South-South-North Exchange

- Capacity Building and knowledge exchange between Colombian and Parguayan teams, partners and stakeholders
- Exchange between farmers from Paraguay and Colombia
- Learning from each-other on communication, mapping, BMPs
- Connecting traditional, local knowledge, science and the productive sector





And now more from Colombia and Paraguay