

# Protection and sustainable use of forests and biodiversity in the Amazon region

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### Context

Peru is home to the second-largest area of Amazon rainforest with exceptionally rich biodiversity. However, deforestation and not sustainable practices are destroying the forests along with the livelihoods and economic basis of the mainly indigenous population. Forests also play a crucial role in fighting the climate crisis.

At a time of economic decline, national strategies to protect forests, biodiversity and the climate pose significant challenges for regional and local governments.

### Objective

The responsible use and protection of tropical forests and their biodiversity in Peruvian Amazonia has improved.

### Approach

In four Peruvian Amazon regions –San Martín, Ucayali and prioritised areas in Amazonas and Loreto–, the project supports multi-actor platforms that involve all key stakeholders in forest management and nature conservation measures.

It contributes to sustainable forest use by indigenous communities and promotes environmentally friendly coffee and cocoa production, as well as local conservation efforts. Products such as timber, coffee and cocoa should no longer lead to deforestation and the use of digital tools will make traceability and verification easier.

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The project also promotes access to financing for responsible business models which will improve local living conditions.

The measures are aligned with the Global Biodiversity Framework, the European Union Regulation on deforestation-free supply chains (EUDR), the Joint Declaration of Intent on deforestation, Peru's accession process to join the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) and the climate partnership between Germany and Peru.



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