

TROPILUNCH

Exchange workshop in Acre, Brazil: “Logging in Protected Areas: communities that flourish can inform those that struggle.”

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SUMMARY

Timber extraction for commercial use has recently been introduced in extractive reserves, a type of sustainable-use protected area in Brazil, as a strategy for tropical forest management and conservation. So far, some of these communities are thriving since initiating timber management projects, each project structured around distinct local needs and visions of community forest management with technical and governance support from government and non-governmental organizations. Meanwhile, other communities have struggled where a top-down project approach has stirred local controversy. Observation of these differences inspired a group of TCD students, faculty, and alumni and Brazilian partners to organize workshop for these community groups to exchange experiences in Acre, June 2017. Funded by the Marianne Schmink Innovation Award, the aim of the workshop was to facilitate critical links among stakeholder groups (government, universities, researchers, NGOs and community members) positioned to strengthen community-based forest management in Brazilian Amazon, expand and fortify networks, and generate a better understand

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***The University of Florida Tropical Conservation and Development Program (TCD), the
TCD Student Group & the Center for Latin American Studies present***

the context and main constraints of community-based timber management in extractive reserves through social learning. The UF-based working group will present their framework developed to accomplish these goals via the workshop planning process as well as via the workshop itself.

BIO

Ana is a Ph.D. Student in SFRC/TCD with long-term professional experience with community forestry in the Amazon. **Natalie** is also a Ph.D. Student in SFRC/TCD and has been studying extractive reserve livelihoods and community level perceptions of logging since her master's. **Eduardo** is a master's student in SFRC/TCD studying management of non-timber forest products by communities. **Karen** is a professor affiliated with SFRC and LAS, and her research focuses on community-based forest management systems and Brazil nut production. **Denyse** is a TCD alumni, and she focuses on socio-environmental conflict management, gender, and climate change issues. **Ricardo** is a TCD alumni working with WWF, and his focus is promoting actions to enhance biodiversity conservation while reducing human impact on the Brazilian Amazon. **Lúcia** is a researcher at Embrapa (Brazil) with extensive experience leading national and international projects and networks involving government agencies and NGOs. **Jon** is affiliated with LAS and the Natural Resources Leadership Institute, and he trains students and professionals to develop the skills, concepts, and attitudes required to work effectively with diverse stakeholders in diverse settings.

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