

Inclusive Stakeholder Engagement for RBOs - 29 January 2026

ACTO: Promoting stakeholder engagement in the Amazon

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The Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization – ACTO

ACTO is an intergovernmental organization based on the Amazon Cooperation Treaty signed by the eight Amazonian countries: Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Peru, Suriname, and Venezuela

ACTO's role

- Political dialogue
- Coordination between countries
- Technical cooperation
- Information and knowledge exchange
- Joint action based on multi-thematic agenda

Political Mandates

- Amazon Cooperation Treaty (1978)
- Presidential Declarations
- Declarations of Ministers of Foreign Affairs
- Resolutions of MFA and CCA





ACTO Mandates for Social Participation and Stakeholder Engagement

“...advance in a new common agenda in the Amazon, to be implemented ... based on mechanisms of social participation, particularly of indigenous peoples and local and traditional communities” Belem Declaration

LINES OF ACTION

Amazonian Dialogues provide recommendations to be considered by the Meeting of Presidents.

Implementation of regional mechanisms for full and effective participation, ensuring the contribution of urban and rural Amazonian populations.

Implementation of spaces and mechanisms for dialogue between governments, indigenous peoples, local communities, and organized civil society.

Encouragement of the social and political inclusion of women, young people, and traditional peoples in regional decision-making processes.

Amazon Basin Day.



ACTO Mechanisms for engaging stakeholders

Amazon Regional Networks:

Water Authorities (RADA)

Forest Authorities (RAFO)

Integrated Fire Management (RAMIF)



Special Commissions and Panels:

Environment and Climate Change
Health

Science and Technology

Intergovernmental Scientific
Technical Panel for the Amazon



Indigenous Peoples:

Coordination of Indigenous
Peoples

Amazonian Mechanism for
Indigenous Peoples (MAPI)





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A milestone in the history of Amazonian governance

A practical instrument of shared governance, created to ensure the effective participation and voice of indigenous peoples in decisions about the Amazon, as well as to integrate traditional knowledge into the implementation of the Amazon Cooperation Treaty (TCA).

Pillars of MAPI

Joint co-presidency

Institutionalized participation

Respect for indigenous rights



Amazonian Network of Water Authorities

Permanent Coordination
Mechanism for Integrated
Water Resources
Management
Amazon Summit
August, 2023

XIV Ministerial Meeting
RES/XIV MFA-ACTO/19

ANWA Installation
Brasilia, April 2024

- Specialized Technical Panel
- Regional Group on Water Monitoring



Creation of ANWA during the Amazon Summit



Amazon Summit in Belém (Brazil)



Official installation of ANWA in Brasilia

ACTO Mechanisms for engaging stakeholders - Partnerships

The Amazon Parliament

(PARLAMAZ) is a regional body that brings together representatives and senators from the eight signatory countries of the TCA, functioning as a space for parliamentary diplomacy to promote sustainable development, bioeconomy, forest conservation, and protection of indigenous peoples in the region.

The Amazon Cities Forum

connects 39 local governments from 8 countries of the Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization (ACTO), creating a space for dialogue and action to globally address shared challenges and opportunities in support of sustainable urbanization in the Amazon region.



UNAMAZ is an association with an academic, scientific, and technological focus, formed by public universities and research institutions based in the Amazon region.

Stakeholder Engagement in Projects

Amazon Basin Project: Implementation of the Strategic Action Program (SAP)

Public participation in the SAP implementation

- Stakeholder engagement in TDA-SAP formulation.
- Socialization and community training workshops
- Participatory construction of Early Warning Systems
- Gender training
- Partnerships for execution of project activities.
- Online tools for the collective construction of solutions focused on water governance.



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