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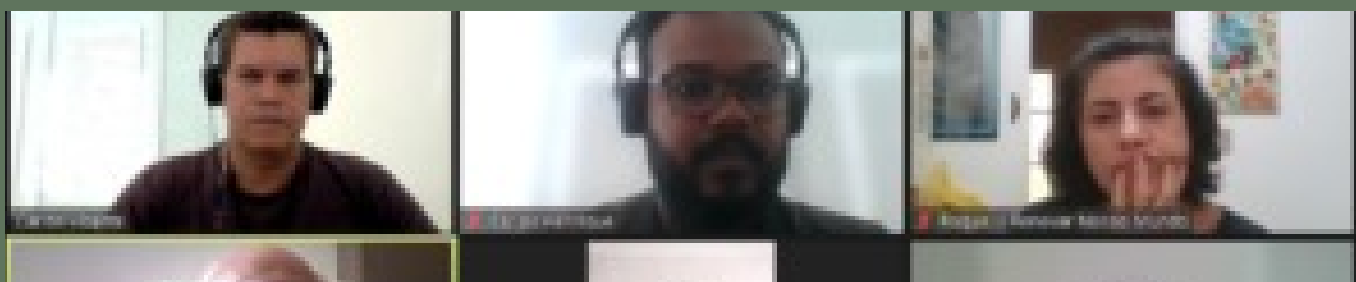
Uniting people of all faiths to end tropical deforestation

The Interfaith Rainforest Initiative brings the commitment, influence and moral authority of religions to efforts to protect the world's rainforests and the indigenous peoples that serve as their guardians.

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IRI Brazil secures commitment from Movimento Renovar Nosso Mundo Brasil to mobilise “For the Right to Breathe Clean Air” as a joint campaign

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In meetings with Raquel Arouca, National Mobiliser and theologian Timóteo Carriker from the Renovar Nosso Mundo Brasil (MRNM), IRI Brazil secured their commitment to mobilise

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IRI Brazil secures commitment from the Água Branca Baptist Church (IBAB) to mobilise religious leaders to participate in scientific immersions, joins Climate Observatory Network

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IRI Brazil met with Fernanda Kivitz, leader of the Água Branca Baptist Church (IBAB), who committed to mobilise IBAB religious leaders to take part in

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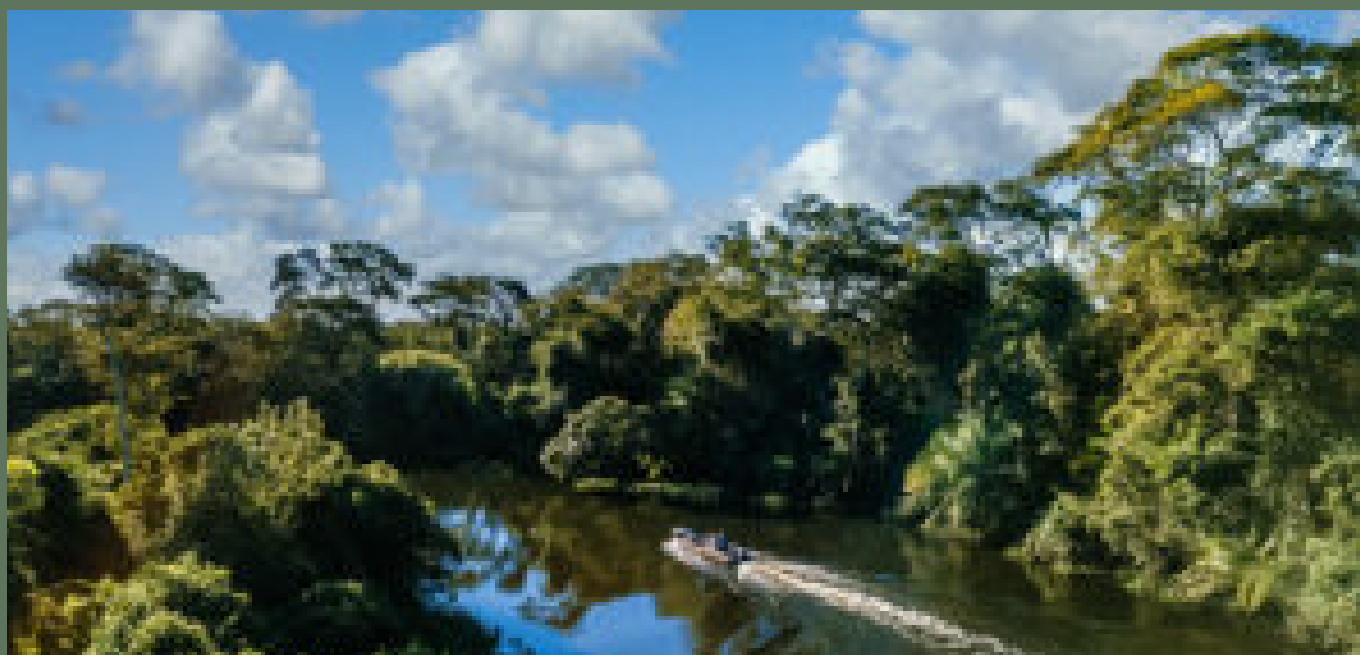


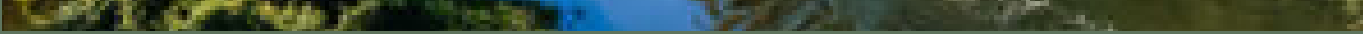
IRI Brazil meets with Director of Cooperatives of Extractivists of Acre (COOPERACRE)

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In a meeting with Manoel Monteiro de Oliveira, Director of the Cooperatives of Extractivists of Acre (COOPERACRE), IRI Brazil presented its work and explored opportunities

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IRI Peru establishes working group to coordinate efforts in defense of Amazon

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In a meeting with the Integral Ecology Commission of Resucita Perú Ahora, IRI Peru's request to form a working group dedicated to coordinate, study and

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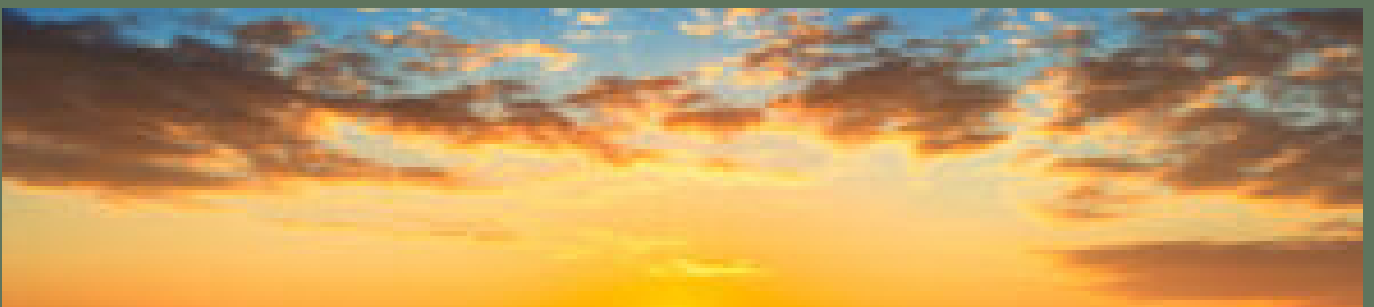


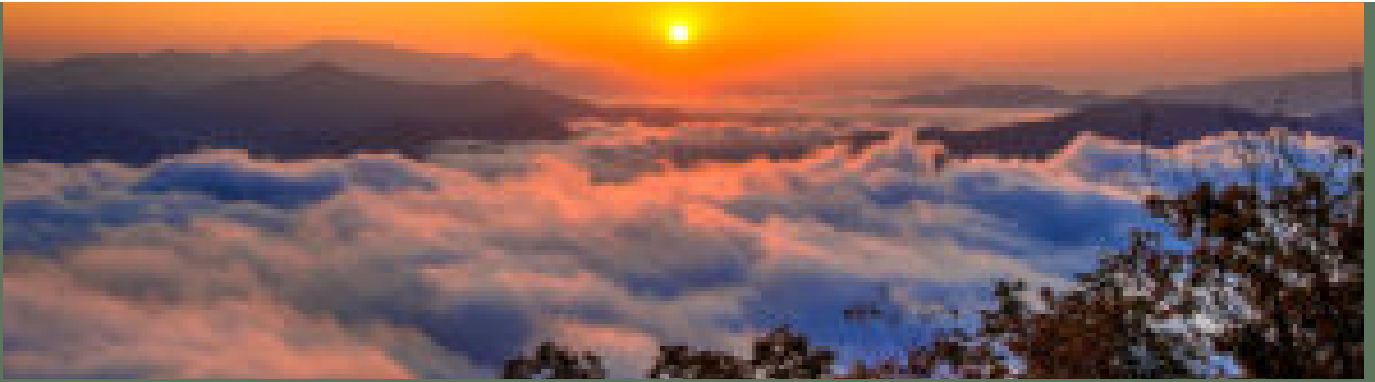
IRI DRC expands the One Plot, One Tree campaign

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As part of the One Plot, One Tree campaign, IRI DRC secured the commitment of the Church of Christ in Congo to set up a

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IRI Brazil produces video for the “God’s Will” campaign

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IRI Brazil produced another video for the “God’s Will” campaign, which seeks to spread biblical principles about caring for creation to Evangelical audiences. The video

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Rainforests sustain all life on the planet

They are irreplaceable. Not only do they exhibit creation in its most exquisite beauty, they provide millions of people with food, shelter, livelihoods, medicine and clean water. They are also the best climate solution we have. If protected and




restored, rainforests can provide an indispensable contribution to sustainable development. Instead, they are at grave risk.




Global deforestation is accelerating

Extractive industries and land conversion for agricultural products like beef, soy, palm oil, and pulp and paper are driving tropical deforestation. In the last decade alone, an area of forest the size of the United Kingdom, France and Germany



combined has been lost forever. This destruction is unnecessary and is undermining efforts by the international community to address climate change, sustainable development and human rights.



Momentum to protect rainforests is growing,
but more is needed

A coalition of indigenous peoples, government, business, science, NGO and civil

society partners are working to halt deforestation. However, to achieve the speed and scale of change required, we need to bring the moral, ethical and spiritual dimension of humanity to bear more strongly on these efforts.



ABOUT US

The Interfaith Rainforest Initiative is an international, multi-faith alliance that aims to bring moral urgency and faith-based leadership to global efforts to end tropical deforestation. It is a platform for religious leaders to work hand-in-hand with indigenous peoples, governments, civil society and business on actions that protect rainforests and safeguard those that serve as their guardians.

We focus on three main goals:

Raise awareness

Raise awareness of the tropical deforestation crisis by equipping religious leaders with the science, information and tools needed to serve as effective advocates for rainforest protection.

Mobilize action

Mobilize faith-based action by connecting religious leaders with allies from across sectors to multiply their collective impact.

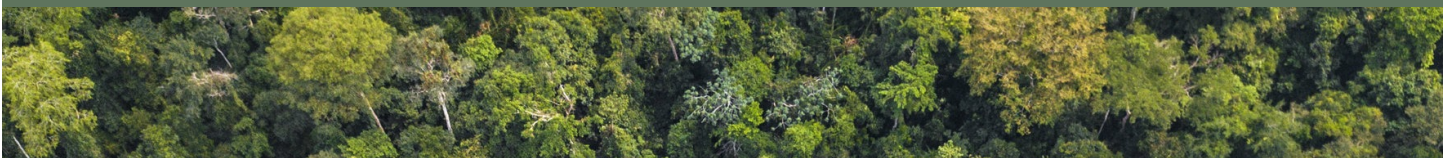
Influence policy

Advocate for policies that protect forests by encouraging governments and companies to adopt, fulfill and expand upon their commitments to protect rainforests and the rights of indigenous peoples.

WHERE WE WORK

We work globally and in major rainforest countries to support religious leaders and spiritual communities that are mobilizing to protect rainforests.

We currently work in [Brazil](#), [Colombia](#), [Democratic Republic of the Congo](#), [Indonesia](#) and [Peru](#), which together contain 70% of the world's remaining tropical forests.





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