

The Amazon's silent crisis

GLOSSARY

**AMF – Área de Manejo Florestal
Forest Management Area**

The total area within an estate covered by a PMFS. The AMF is usually subdivided into UPAs, but may consist of only a single UPA.

**APA – Área de Proteção Ambiental
Environmental Protection Area**

A conservation area in which local populations are permitted to carry out sustainable extractive activities, and where land is allowed to remain in private ownership.

**APP – Área de
Preservação Permanente
Permanent Preservation Area**

A protected area within a private or public estate, within which no logging operations are permitted.

**AUTEF – Autorização de
Exploração Florestal
Logging Authorisation**

An authorisation, issued by a SEMA via SIMLAM, that permits a landowner/operator to harvest timber inside a UPA, within the limits specified in the POA.

Biosphere Reserve

A protected area established under UNESCO's Man and the Biosphere (MAB) Programme, which aims to achieve a balance between environmental conservation, cultural values and economic development.

**CEPROF – Cadastro de
Exploradores e Consumidores
de Produtos Florestais****Forest Products Producers and
Consumers Register**

A register containing the details of companies that harvest forest products or purchase them for commercial use. Registration on CEPFOP is necessary in order to be included in Sisflora. 'CEPROF' is also used to denote a company's individual identity number in the register.

Chain of custody

A system by which a product or derivative can be tracked from its original source to the consumer. The chain-of-custody system used in Pará and Mato Grosso states is Sisflora.

**CONJUR – Departamento de
Consultoria Jurídica dos Órgãos
Públicos Federais e Estaduais
Department of Juridical
Consultancy for Federal and State
Public Institutions**

Government organisation that provides legal advice and assistance to Federal and State institutions.

Credits

Electronic documents required by producers, sawmills and traders in order to transact timber legally. Credits are allocated to a producer upon the issuing of an AUTEF, in accordance with the quantity of timber to be harvested as specified in the POA, and are then transferred from SIMLAM onto the Sisflora or DOF chain-of-custody system.

Credits are deducted from the vendor and credited to the purchaser at each stage of the chain-of-custody system.

**DOF – Documento de
Origem Florestal
Forest Origin Document**

Term applied by IBAMA to the GF; also the name of the Federal timber chain-of-custody system managed by IBAMA (Sistema DOF).

FSC – Forest Stewardship Council

Independent non-profit organisation that certifies timber and timber products produced using sustainable forestry practices.

**GEPAF – Gerência de
Projetos Agrosilvipastoris
Management of Agriculture,
Timber and Livestock**

This management function sits within the SEMA in the state of Pará (see below), and its mandate includes the administration of PMFSs.

**GF – Guia Florestal
Transport Document**

A document generated in the Sisflora or DOF system to authorise transportation of timber. Every consignment of timber must be accompanied by a GF as it moves between two stages in the chain of custody.

**IBAMA – Instituto Brasileiro do
Meio Ambiente e dos Recursos
Naturais Renováveis
Brazilian Institute for the**

Environment and Renewable Natural Resources

Federal body coordinated by the Minister for the Environment (MMA), with responsibility for monitoring and enforcement activity concerning the use and protection of natural resources.

**IDEFLOR – Instituto de Desenvolvimento Florestal do Estado Pará
Institute for Forest Development in the State of Pará**

Body responsible for the management of State-controlled public forests in Pará.

**INCRA – Instituto de Colonização e Reforma Agrária
Institute for Colonization and Land Reform**

Federal body responsible for implementing land reform and land regulation, with particular focus on sustainable rural development

**LAR – Licença Ambiental Rural
Rural Environmental Licence**

A licence issued by a SEMA for economic activities undertaken on a rural property.

**MPF – Ministério Público Federal
Federal Public Ministry**

Federal body responsible for bringing prosecutions in defence of individual and societal rights, including protecting the environment and public patrimony. Also responsible for prosecuting cases of corruption in public life.

**MPT – Ministério Público do Trabalho
Public Ministry of Labour**

A federal body responsible for bringing prosecutions in defence of individual rights, with special focus on labour issues.

**PDS – Projeto de Desenvolvimento Sustentável
Sustainable Development Project**

A category of settlement, managed by INCRA, where families and communities are permitted to undertake activities with low environmental impact, including farming and sustainable forestry.

**POA – Plano Operacional Anual
Annual Operation Plan**

A plan indicating how a UPA is to be harvested (including a forest inventory specifying number of trees to be felled, their location and species, and the estimated cubic metres of timber in each tree). A POA is submitted to the SEMA for approval, whereupon an AUTEF is issued and the UPA may be harvested.

**PMFS – Plano de Manejo Florestal Sustentável
Sustainable Forest Management Plan**

A technical document outlining how forestry management of an estate will be undertaken over a period of up to five years. A PMFS, approved by the SEMA, is obligatory for timber harvesting beyond the 20% of an estate that is allowed to be completely deforested.

**RESEX – Reserva Extrativista
Extractive Reserve**

A conservation area intended to be used by a traditional community for the sustainable extraction of forest products, including logging within certain limits.

**SEMA – Secretaria Estadual de Meio Ambiente
State Environmental Secretariat**

State institution responsible for environmental protection and sustainable development.

SIMLAM – Sistema Integrado de Monitoramento e**Licenciamento Ambiental
Integrated System for Environmental Monitoring and Licensing**

Computerised system used in Pará and Mato Grosso states, by means of which estates are registered and monitored, and licences issued for their activities, including logging.

**Sisflora – Sistema de Comercialização e Transporte de Produtos Florestais
System for the Commercialisation and Transportation of Forest Products**

Chain-of-custody system for forest products, used in Pará and Mato Grosso States.

**UC – Unidade de Conservação
Conservation Unit**

A protected area on public land, within which economic activities are forbidden or highly controlled – a much more restrictive form of protected area than the APA.

**UMF – Unidade de Manejo Florestal
Forest Management Unit**

The area of a UPA minus any APP falling within that area; the portion of the UPA in which logging operations may be conducted.

**UPA – Unidade de Produção Anual
Annual Production Unit**

A subdivision of a Forest Management Area (AMF) to be exploited within one year (with the option of extending operations for a second year).

**UT – Unidade de Trabalho
Work Unit**

A subdivision of a UPA by means of which locations of individual trees are identified.