



BOLIVIA Pando, Santa Cruz, Tarija | **BRAZIL** Acre, Amapá, Amazonas, Maranhão, Mato Grosso, Pará, Rondônia, Roraima, Tocantins | **COLOMBIA** Caquetá | **CÔTE D'IVOIRE** Bélier, Cavally | **ECUADOR** Pastaza, Morona Santiago, Zamora Chinchipe | **INDONESIA** Aceh, Central Kalimantan, East Kalimantan, North Kalimantan, Papua, West Kalimantan, West Papua | **MEXICO** Campeche, Chiapas, Jalisco, Oaxaca, Quintana Roo, Tabasco, Yucatán | **NIGERIA** Cross River State | **PERU** Amazonas, Huánuco, Loreto, Madre de Dios, Piura, San Martín, Ucayali | **SPAIN** Catalonia | **USA** California, Illinois



TECHNICAL EXCHANGE

April 23-26, 2024
Santa Cruz, Bolivia

On December 5, 2023, during the 28th Conference of the Parties (COP28) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, Governors, Indigenous Peoples, and other partners of the Governors' Climate and Forests Task Force (GCF Task Force), launched an urgent [call-to-action](#) to finance what we are calling the “New Forest Economy.” This call-to-action seeks to garner an initial \$1 billion in investments and support to develop new forest economies that prioritize environmental sustainability and robust and equitable economic growth across GCF Task Force tropical forest states and provinces. The call-to-action establishes a **co-design phase** over 2024 to attract partners and establish flexible funding mechanisms that allow for locally-driven innovation and action on the ground. This co-design phase is crucial to ensure the needs, realities, and expertise of governmental leaders and their partners, from the private sector to Indigenous Peoples and local communities, are considered and incorporated. This step of the co-design phase will focus on the alignment between GCF Task Force members' investment priorities considering the [Manaus Action Plan](#) Pillars and the funding opportunities being offered by partners.

The GCF Task Force will launch this co-design process at a technical exchange hosted by the governments of Santa Cruz, Tarija, and Pando, Bolivia, from April 23-26, 2024.

This technical exchange will focus on “**Low-Emissions Development and Climate Finance to Reduce Deforestation of Tropical Forests and Achieve a Just Transition.**” This exchange will serve as an important opportunity to connect subnational government leaders and communities with the private sector and donors to better understand the needs, realities, and opportunities to work together to achieve these goals. In addition, the meeting will hold targeted “charettes” that bring together GCF Task Force members to co-design mechanisms that address their realities in building new forest economies in their states and provinces. These design charettes are the next step in the \$1B investment Call-to-Action that GCF Task Force governors and partners recently issued at COP 28.

The Bolivian-focused technical exchange will feature:

- **High-level insights with Governors and the GCF Task Force Global Secretariat** on charting and implementing new forest economies
- **Donor and private sector input on the bold ideas they need from jurisdictions** to implement funding mechanisms that meet the needs of the jurisdictions and communities
- **Substantive presentations from within Bolivia and across the GCF Task Force network** on jurisdictional and community efforts to reduce deforestation and improve livelihoods
- **Targeted, intensive co-design charettes** that develop innovative ideas, processes, and strategies for building and financing forest economies within and across similarly-situated groups of states and provinces.
- **Feedback and input from donors and the private sector** to advance large-scale funding commitments by the next GCF Task Force Annual Meeting (Ucayali, Peru, in Oct. 2024).
- **Potential to replicate** this effort in other GCF Task Force regions (Mexico, Indonesia, Africa).

GCF Task Force Technical Meeting - Santa Cruz

April 23-26, 2024
Santa Cruz, Bolivia

Preliminary Agenda

GCF
task force
Santa Cruz - Bolivia



Objective

Connect subnational government leaders and communities with the private sector and donors to better understand the needs, realities and opportunities for working together to achieve a New Forest Economy, through "charettes" (intense design or planning period) that will bring GCF Task Force members together to co-design mechanisms that address their realities and challenges.

These design blueprints are the next step in the \$1 billion investment call to action that GCF Task Force Governors and partners recently issued at COP 28.



Tuesday, April 23rd

PREPARATORY CLOSED MEETINGS FOR JURISDICTIONS AND SELECT PARTNERS

Indigenous Peoples and Local Communities

GCF Task Force IPLC Global Committee, Indigenous Peoples Secretariat of Santa Cruz, Indigenous and local community leaders from Santa Cruz, Pando, and Tarija

13:00 - 15:00

Amazonia+ (European Union), Governors, and High-Level GCF Task Force Delegates

15:00 - 17:00

WELCOME COCKTAIL

by invitation only

19:00 - 21:00



Wednesday, April 24th

REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS

8:30 - 9:00

INAUGURATION - PLENARY

Welcoming Remarks

GCF Task Force Secretariat presentation

High-level Dialogue: GCF Task Force Governors

9:00 - 10:30

CLIMATE FINANCE AND NEW FOREST ECONOMY

Invited Donors: European Union, Andes Amazon Fund, IADB, CLUA, Moore Foundation, Bezos Earth Fund, among others, discuss the bold ideas they need from jurisdictions to implement funding mechanisms that meet the needs of the jurisdictions and communities

10:45 - 12:30

PANEL DISCUSSIONS ON 4 PILLARS OF MANAUS ACTION PLAN

1. People and Communities
2. Finance, Investment, and the Private Sector
3. Knowledge, Technology, and Innovation
4. Government and Public Policies

14:30 - 18:30

OPENING DINNER

19:30 - 21:00

Exhibition

Bilateral meetings



Thursday, April 25th

OPENING PLENARY (PUBLIC)

GCF Task Force Secretariat and Government of Santa Cruz

8:30 - 9:00

CLOSED DOOR WORKING SESSIONS DESIGNING A NEW FOREST ECONOMY

9:00 - 16:00

1. Jurisdictions with high deforestation due to industrial agricultural and/or cattle expansion

2. Amazonian Regional Commonwealth- Peruvian Jurisdictions

3. Jurisdictions have high forest cover

4. Cross-border region between Peru, Brazil, and Bolivia

5. Donors

6. Private Sector Leaders

PUBLIC SESSIONS

Fair, Exhibitions tables, and panel sessions

9:00 - 16:00

CONCLUSION & PRESENTATION/DIALOGUE WITH DONORS AND PRIVATE SECTOR

16:15 - 18:30

CLOSING CEREMONY (Announcements)

Friday, April 26th

FIELD VISITS

Stay tuned for routes!





See you there!

