



# GCF

## task force

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Nova Economia Florestal: conectando  
governos, povos e oportunidades

### Working Session: Building Robust Bioeconomies: Considering Scale & Attracting Investment

Thursday, 22 May 2025

Centro de Convenções da Universidade Federal do Acre

9:00 – 13:00

- 1. Overall Objective:** Efforts to create robust and sustainable bioeconomies that can provide broad economic opportunities to Amazonian people, while supporting natural ecosystems, face many challenges. To date, many such projects have struggled to achieve sufficient scale to provide viable alternatives to environmentally destructive economic activities. This session will explore what is the agenda and the investments required for building and coordinating robust and sustainable bioeconomies at subnational, national, and regional scales.
- 2. Specific Objectives:** To produce a roadmap detailing needs and opportunities, we will use the guiding question: “What is needed to develop executable projects that are investment-ready and scalable for a robust, sustainable Amazon bioeconomy?”
- 3. Overview:** This will be a two-part session. The first part will feature brief comments from experts who are working across GCF Task Force jurisdictions to develop bioeconomy plans and implement specific strategies. Specifically, we will hear perspectives from state government leaders, actors working across jurisdictions and territories, and bioeconomy investment partners. After the opening panel comments, we will divide into working groups by language that allow different actors to reflect, from their perspectives, on the overall guiding question as well as on these three related questions:
  - What are the main challenges impeding development of sustainable bioeconomy-based supply chains at local to regional scales?

- What key enabling conditions need to be in place to overcome these challenges (infrastructure, investment, regulatory environment, education, etc)?
- What are key opportunities at state, national, and regional levels? What opportunities are we currently missing?
- Where do we see strategic areas to coordinate efforts across jurisdictional scales to strengthen and scale bioeconomy supply chains?

#### 4. Agenda:

Time	Description	Responsible
9:00 – 9:10	<b>Opening Comments</b>	Colleen, Gunars, Daniel
9:10	<b>State, National, and Regional Perspectives on Scaling for Bioeconomy Planning and Implementation</b>	Secretary Taisa Mendonça - SEMA, Amapá
9:15		Secretary Jeibi Medeiros - SEDECTI, Amazonas
9:20		Secretary Camille Bemeguy - Bioeconomy, Pará
9:25		Lorenzo Vargas, Caquetá, Colombia
9:30		Professor Gusti, West Kalimantan
9:35		Carina Pimenta, National Secretary of Bioeconomy
9:40	<b>Regional Integration Perspectives: Strategic Coordination for Impact at Scale</b>	Luis Briceno - Mancomunidad Regional Amazónica, Peru
9:45		Agliberto Chagas - Amazonia MIT
9:50		Marion Adeney - Conservation X Labs and Science Panel for the Amazon
9:55		TBC, Science Panel for the Amazon
10:00		Louise Hill - UK Embassy
10:05		Dr. Seixas Lourenço - President UNAMAZ
10:10	<b>Public-Private Investments</b>	Danilo Zelinski - KPTL
10:15		Isaac Sutton – BH26
10:20		Wagner Lauduger - Future Climate
10:25		Pedro Zanotti – Instituto Clima e Sociedade
10:30	<b>Summary Comments and Wrap Up</b>	Colleen, Gunars, Daniel
10:35 – 11:30	<b>Session Break, Networking, World Cafe</b>	
11:30 – 12:30	<b>Working Sessions by Language Group</b> 1. Spanish Group (Facilitator:	Guiding Question: How do we pass from pilot projects to developing bioeconomy at scale

	2. Portuguese Group (Facilitator: .....) 3. Bahasa Indonesian Group (Facilitator: Rina Anggraini) 4. Regional Network/University Group (Facilitator: Max Boycoff: University of Colorado)	(what is needed to create the enabling conditions, the investments, the political support)?
12:30 - 1:00	<b>Reporting Back, Question and Answer, Thematic Integration &amp; Preparation for Friday Report</b>	Facilitators: Gunars Platais & Marion Adeney