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INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT TO COICA

The Coordinator of Indigenous Organizations of the Amazon River Basin (COICA) is an international indigenous organization that coordinates the national federations of Amazonian indigenous peoples for representation to various intergovernmental bodies and international non-governmental organizations for different interventions within the Amazon Basin. Improving COICA's institutional capacity to better serve its members is important for the whole amazon indigenous agenda and conservation of the Amazon.

This project will develop COICA's institutional capacity by training its personnel on organizational capacity, including but not limited to governance, organizational management, program management, human resources management, and financial management. This will result in a more professional organization, better able to represent the needs of its constituents, with a diversified and sustainable funding base.

HOW DOES THE ACTIVITY WORK?

COICA will develop a program to train its personnel on organizational capacity, a project management system and a procedures manual. This with the aim of strengthen COICA's diversity of funding and revenue sources, from both donors and collaborations with the private sector but mostly to provide necessary tools to comply with international accounting and project management standards.

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COICA will also develop and implement target interventions to address the gaps identified by the organizational capacity assessment. These interventions will strengthen the capacities of its national member organizations and procure resources and equipment needed to conduct its operations in an efficient and transparent manner.

WHAT RESULTS ARE EXPECTED?

- A plan to address areas of improvement identified in the organizational capacity assessment.
- Develop or revise its Procedures Manual that responds to international standards.
- Training to member organizations' leadership and technical staff in administrative and financial project management.

PROJECT INFORMATION

IMPLEMENTER: Coordinator of Indigenous Organizations of the Amazon River Basin (COICA)

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