

# Governance and Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization

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# Amazon Region

- Bolivia 600.000 Km<sup>2</sup> • 7,9% B-F
- Brazil 5.144.800 Km<sup>2</sup> • 76,8% AM-L
- Colombia 419.346 Km<sup>2</sup> • 5,5% AM-L
- Ecuador 131.000 Km<sup>2</sup> • 1,7% B-F
- Guiana 215.000 Km<sup>2</sup> • 2,8% FI
- Peru 756.992 Km<sup>2</sup> • 10,0% B-F
- Surinam 142.800 Km<sup>2</sup> • 1,9% FI
- Venezuela 180.145 Km<sup>2</sup> • 2,4% E-AM



**Table 1. Endemism in language compared with rankings of biodiversity**  
(from Harmon 1998b)

Country	Rank, Total Number of...				On Mega- diversity list
	Endemic Languages	Endemic Vertebrates	Flowering Plants	Endemic Bird Areas	
Papua New Guinea	1st	13th	18th	6th	
Indonesia	2nd	4th	7th	1st	yes
Nigeria	3rd				
India	4th	7th	12th	11th	yes
Australia	5th	1st	11th	9th	yes
Mexico	6th	2nd	4th	2nd	yes
Cameroon	7th	23rd	24th		
Brazil	8th	3rd	1st	4th	yes
Dem. Rep of Congo	9th	18th	17th		yes
Philippines	10th	6th	25th	11th	
USA	11th	11th	9th	15th	
Vanuatu	12th				
Tanzania	13th	21st	19th	14th	
Sudan	14th				
Malaysia	15th		14th		yes
Ethiopia	16th	25th			
China	17th	12th	3rd	6th	yes
Peru	18th	8th	13th	3rd	yes
Chad	19th				
Russia	20th		6th		
Solomon Islands	21st	24th			
Nepal	22nd		22nd		
Colombia	23rd	9th	2nd	5th	yes
Côte d'Ivoire	24th				
Canada	25th				

**Sources:** Endemic languages: Harmon (1995: 22-28); Endemic vertebrates: Groombridge (1992: 139-141); Flowering plants: Groombridge (1992: 80-83); Endemic Bird Areas: Stattersfield *et al.* (1998); Megadiversity countries: McNeely *et al.* (1990: 88-90).

**Notes:** Figures for Ethiopia include Eritrea. Endemic vertebrate figures for China, Papua New Guinea and USA

# ACTO

- ACT – 1978 – Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, Peru, Suriname and Venezuela
- ACTIO – 2002 – Permanent Secretariat established in Brasilia (Brazil)



# Conflicts

- Infrastructure
- Oil, minéraux, timber, ....
- Traditional population rights



# Governance

- Process of decision-making and the process by which decisions are implemented (or not-implemented) (UNESCAP)

Who decide?





# Pensando a Amazônia

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