Alto Parana, Paraguay
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All participants eager to attend this field trip are requested to arrive in Foz de Igauzu, Brazil by the evening of 17 March, flights to and from Foz de Igauzu to be organized individually by each participant. Suggested flights can be found below. Ground transportation, accommodation and food & beverages is organised by the host upon the confirmation of your participation; participants are asked to pay directly for the expenses, approximately US$275. The below overview provides a programme of the two days activities and more information about the projects being visited. Confirm your participation to above contact by 15 February, 2017.

LOGISTICS

Transport:
17/03 Friday Flight JJ3690 Airline LATAM
12:50 Brasilia → Foz de Igauzu
Organized individually by participant

20/03 Monday Flight G31785 Airline GOL
05:05 Foz de Igauzu → Curbita → Brasilia
Organized individually by participant

All ground transport organized by field trip hosts
Transport from the airport to Ciudad del Este (PY).
(approx. 40min)
Travel within Paraguay by minibus

Accommodation
Hotel Gran Nobile. (Ciudad del Este, Paraguay)
Hotel Monza. (Santa Rita, Paraguay)

Costs
Hosts will arrange in-country group transportation, hotel accommodation, food and translation. Participants will be responsible for paying the cost directly – hotel on check-out (total approx. USD 135), food (total approx. USD 100++) and airport transfer (approx. 80 return, shared amongst passengers) directly.

Participants are responsible for arranging their own flights and visas.

Medical Requirements
Typical vaccination for travelling to Brazil, e.g., yellow fever.

Number of participants
Minimum 5 participants
Maximum 15 participants

OVERVIEW
We invite you to learn first-hand about the importance of working with governments through multi-stakeholder processes, based on the experience of beef and soy in the Department of Alto Paraná, Paraguay. Participants will:
• Meet with and understand the commitments of stakeholders on sustainability and zero deforestation
• Visit to field to see the work of producers, industry and government
• Learn about forest conversation work and indigenous peoples in the area
This field trip touches on two key themes of the general assembly, i) How to effectively engage the government in deforestation-free production and ii) implementation of deforestation-free commitments by the private sector – what is the status and how can it be accelerated?
AGENDA

17.03.16  • Arrival, transfer from Iguazu Falls (Brazil) to Ciudad del Este (Paraguay), and Welcome dinner
          • Overnight Hotel Gran Nobile

18.03.16  • Meet with the members of the Beef Platform in Ciudad del Este: learn about the guidelines for action
guidelines of the Departmental Platform of Sustainable Beef of the Alto Parana.
          • Visit to a Soy Processing Plant: see the industrial process, overview of the company’s sustainability policies.
          • Transfer and overnight. Hotel Monza, Santa Rita

19.03.16  • Visit to soybean / beef / forestry production (Copronar): learn about the work of preserving the forests of the
Up Parana.
          • Lunch with producers and members of the Alto Paraná Soy and Beef Platform (municipal authorities /
cooperatives and producers): interact with the stakeholders of the departmental platform and to know about
the relationship between the regional government and the private sector.
          • Visit to indigenous producers of the Aché Community, Puerto Barra: learn how an indigenous community has
integrated production with and preservation of the forests
          • Overnight Hotel Gran Nobile

20.03.16  Departure from Ciudad del Este and / or Foz do Iguazu

Short description of the co-host

The Green Commodities Sustainable Production Landscapes project (Paisajes de Producción Verde
Commodities Sustentables) focuses on the Upper Paraná Atlantic Forest eco-region and its relationship with
soy and beef production. The project is implemented through a partnership between the Paraguayan
government’s Secretaría del Ambiente (Secretariat of the Environment - SEAM), and the United Nations
Development Programme (UNDP) and is funded by the Global Environment Facility. Key private sector
partners include ADM and Cargill. UNDP will act as the in-country coordinator for this field trip.

A key activity of the partnership has been the creation of the National Commodities Platform, which
constitutes an instrument of dialogue for soy and beef production, integrating social and indigenous groups
interested in the best use of natural resources and the conservation of biodiversity. Initially launched in Alto
Paraná, the scope will extend to The Chaco starting in 2017.