FTA and PIM research showing the economic benefits of community forest concessions makes the case for continued community stewardship of 400,000 hectares of tropical forests in Guatemala

**Project Title:** P803 - 9. Landscape Governance

**Description of the innovation:** FTA and PIM research highlighted the socioeconomic benefits of 12 community forest concessions in the Maya Biosphere Reserve in Peten, Guatemala. These findings provided the National Council for Protected Areas, in charge of the concessions, with the evidence needed for revising the norms for forest concessions and renewing a first concession contract (Cooperative Carmelita).

**New Innovation:** Yes

**Stage of innovation:** Stage 4: uptake by next user (USE)  
**Innovation type:** Social Science

**Geographic Scope:** Sub-national

**Country(ies):**  
- Guatemala

**Outcome Impact Case Report:** 3328 - FTA and PIM research informs the renewal of community forest concessions in the Maya Biosphere Reserve (Guatemala)

**Description of Stage reached:** The National Council for Protected Areas issued the revised norms for forest concessions in September 2019 and renewed the first concession contract in December 2019.

**Name of lead organization/entity to take innovation to this stage:** CONAP - Consejo Nacional de Áreas Protegidas (Guatemala)

**Names of top five contributing organizations/entities to this stage:**  
- ACOFOP - Asociación de Comunidades Forestales de Petén (Guatemala)  
- BIOVERSITY - Bioversity International  
- CIFOR - Center for International Forestry Research  
- ICRAF - World Agroforestry Centre  
- Rainforest Alliance

**Milestones:** No milestones associated

**Sub-IDOs:**  
- 13 - Increased access to productive assets, including natural resources  
- 36 - Gender-equitable control of productive assets and resources

**Contributing Centers/PPA partners:**  
- ICRAF - World Agroforestry Centre
● CIFOR - Center for International Forestry Research

**Evidence link:** <Not Defined>

**Deliverables associated:** <Not Defined>

**Contributing CRPs/Platforms:**
  ● PIM - Policies, Institutions, and Markets