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Statement from Global South Community-Based Organizations and Small Businesses in Support of SBTi's Board of Trustees V2

September 24, 2024

Dear SBTi Board of Trustees,

We represent a group of community-based organizations, non-profits and small businesses that work with communities at the front lines of climate change in Colombia, Brazil, Mexico, Peru, Argentina, Tanzania, Kenya, Gabon, Sierra Leone, Cote d'Ivoire, South Africa, India, Indonesia and many other countries across the Global South.

We celebrate the SBTi Board of Trustees' evidence-based decision to recognize the important role that voluntary carbon markets play in driving global climate action. The proposed expansion of SBTi's corporate guidance to include abatement of Scope 3 emissions through environmental attribute certificates means that at long last, funding will finally flow to the communities that are doing the hard work of reducing deforestation loss, restoring grasslands, reforesting mangroves, sequestering carbon in native forests and improving biodiversity for a health planet.

Simply put, if seen through, this brave shift by the SBTi Board will unlock more climate finance for natural assets and local communities in the Global South, accelerating global climate action.

For far too long, our voices have been ignored by the decision makers in London, Brussels, Geneva and New York. For far too long, despite big promises, the governments of the Global North have failed to deliver the requisite funding to the communities. Carbon markets are an important and powerful tool to create the right incentives required to mitigate emissions globally. A business case for the use of credits by businesses to compensate for their emissions is necessary to deliver much-needed finance from the private sector. As we know all too well, we cannot rely on philanthropy alone.

We therefore welcome the statement from the SBTi Board of Trustees and commend the Trustees for listening to our voices and setting a new direction, based not only on common sense, but also on a mounting body of evidence that points to the potential of these markets. We encourage the SBTi staff to set aside their objections and work with the Board – keeping both the mitigation hierarchy, and those of us in the Global South, in mind. The UN climate chief says we have two years to save the planet. We urge the SBTi staff to listen and act pragmatically, and to work expeditiously, to propose guidance to operationalize the Board's direction.

[names of signatory organizations and logos appear on following pages]

1. Ejido Chavarría Viejo, Durango México.
2. Asociación de Cabildos y Autoridades Tradicionales Indígenas de la Selva de Matavén ACATISEMA
3. Resguardo Indígena Huitoto de Monochoa
4. Resguardo Indígena del Paraje de Monochoa
5. Resguardo Indígena Puerto Zabalo y Los Monos
6. Asociación de Productores Forestales de la Región Zacualtipán-Molango A.C.
7. Ejido San Pablo, Durango, México.
8. Ejido El Brillante, Durango, México.
9. Ejido La Selva, Veracruz, México. (No logo)
10. Ejido Atopixco, Hidalgo, México. (No logo)
11. Ejido Zacualtipán, Hidalgo, México (No logo)
12. Ejido Piedras Negras, Quintana Roo, México (No logo)
13. Ejido Gavilanes, Quintana Roo, México. (No logo)
14. Ejido Pozo Pirata, Quintana Roo, México. (No logo)
15. Consejo Comunitario Guapi Abajo
16. Consejo Comunitario Río Tablón Dulce
17. Consejo Comunitario Tablón Salado
18. Consejo Comunitario La MANUNCIA
19. Consejo Comunitario Prodefensa del Río Tapaje
20. Consejo Comunitario Cuenca del Río Iscuande
21. Consejo Comunitario Unicosta
22. Consejo Comunitario Río Imbilpi del Carmen
23. Consejo Comunitario Unión del Río Chagüi
24. Consejo Comunitario Unión del Río Caunapi
25. Consejo Comunitario Río Gualajo
26. Consejo Comunitario Recuerdos de Nuestros Ancestros del Río Mejicano
27. Consejo Comunitario Las Varas
28. Consejo Comunitario Unión del Río Rosario
29. Consejo Comunitario Alto Mira y Frontera
30. Consejo Comunitario Unión Cuenca de Isagualpi
31. Consejo Comunitario Agricultores del Patia Grande
32. Consejo Comunitario El Catanguero
33. Consejo Comunitario Integración del Telembi
34. Centro de Estudios Rióterra
35. Agrocortex
36. Consejo Comunitario El Progreso
37. Biofílica - Ambipar
38. Fundaeco
39. Consejo Comunitario La Amistad
40. Consejo Comunitario Manos Amigas del Patia Grande
41. Consejo Comunitario Patia Viejo
42. Consejo Comunitario El Progreso del Río Nerete
43. Consejo Comunitario La Esperanza
44. Consejo Comunitario El Progreso del Campo
45. Consejo Comunitario Gualmar
46. Consejo Comunitario Satinga

47. Proyecto REDD+ PAZCÍFICO SUR
48. Fundación Agroimpulso
49. Carbonext
50. Consejo Comunitario Sanquianga
51. Consejo Comunitario ODEMAP Mosquera Sur
52. Consejo Comunitario Veredas Unidas
53. Carbon Tanzania
54. Okala-Gabon
55. West Africa Blue
56. Consejo Comunitario Río San Francisco
57. Consejo Comunitario Río Napi
58. Mesa de Carbono Forestal Argentina
59. LEIFF
60. Proyecto REDD+ PAZCÍFICO
61. Proyecto REDD+ Esteros y Manglares
62. VNV Advisory
63. Varaha
64. Ozon
65. Instituto Ecológica
66. Boomitra
67. Comunidad Shuar Pampants (No logo)
68. Afrinet Carbon
69. TASC - The African Stove Company
70. EFISA
71. Amazon for Life Bolivia
72. UniCarbo
73. Fundación Visión Amazónica
74. Indonesia Carbon Trade Association
75. Reliance Compost Paarl
76. Allcot
77. EQAO
78. MGAS Limited
79. BlockC
80. Watershed Task Group
81. Jumijaza – Association of Community Forest Management of Zanzibar
82. Amigos de Calakmul
83. Ejido Yohaltun, Campeche (no logo)
84. Ejido Xcanhá, Campeche (no logo)
85. Ejido Manuel Crescencio Rejón, Campeche (no logo)
86. Ejido General Francisco J. Mujica, Campeche (no logo)
87. Ejido General Felipe Angeles, Quintana Roo (no logo)
88. Ejido Chanchen, Campeche (no logo)
89. Ejido Cancabchen, Campeche (no logo)
90. Ejido Chun Ek, Campeche (no logo)
91. Ejido Pustunish, Campeche (no logo)
92. Bioforestal Innovación Sustentable
93. CANOPIA CARBON S.A.P.I. DE C.V.
94. Toroto SAPI de CV

- 95. Yauto SAS
- 96. Genesis
- 97. ProSustentia SAS
- 98. GMF Latinoamérica SA
- 99. The Carbon Sink
- 100. Nyika-Vwaza Association
- 101. Biotoken
- 102. Nkhotakota Wildlife Reserve Association
- 103. REDD+ Awia Tuparro
- 104. Up Energy
- 105. CEO2CERO



Ejido Chavarría Viejo



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GUAPI ABAJO



TABLON DULCE



TABLON SALADO



LA MAMUNCIA



PRODEFENSA DEL RIO TAPAJE



CUENCA DEL RIO ISCUANDE



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IMBILPI DEL CARMEN



Territorio Autonomía y
Gobernabilidad

UNION DEL RIO CHAGUI



UNION DEL RIO
CAUNAPI



RIO GUALAJO



RECUERDO DE NUESTROS
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LAS VARAS



1995
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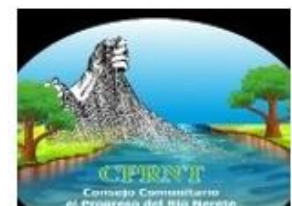
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