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14th edition of IKI News Brazil

We are pleased to present the 14th issue of IKI News, featuring a new selection of initiatives and progress that demonstrate how climate action continues to strengthen in an integrated way, linking innovation, public policy, and implementation across different regions and sectors.

In this issue, we highlight key advances in climate justice, urban mobility, biodiversity, green economy, and sustainable supply chains, showcasing solutions that combine social inclusion, technological innovation, and environmental protection.

We also bring initiatives that reinforce the importance of multi-stakeholder cooperation and climate governance, essential to accelerating a just and resilient transition.

We invite you to explore this edition's highlights and follow how these collective efforts continue to drive concrete transformations in the climate agenda.

We wish you excellent reading!

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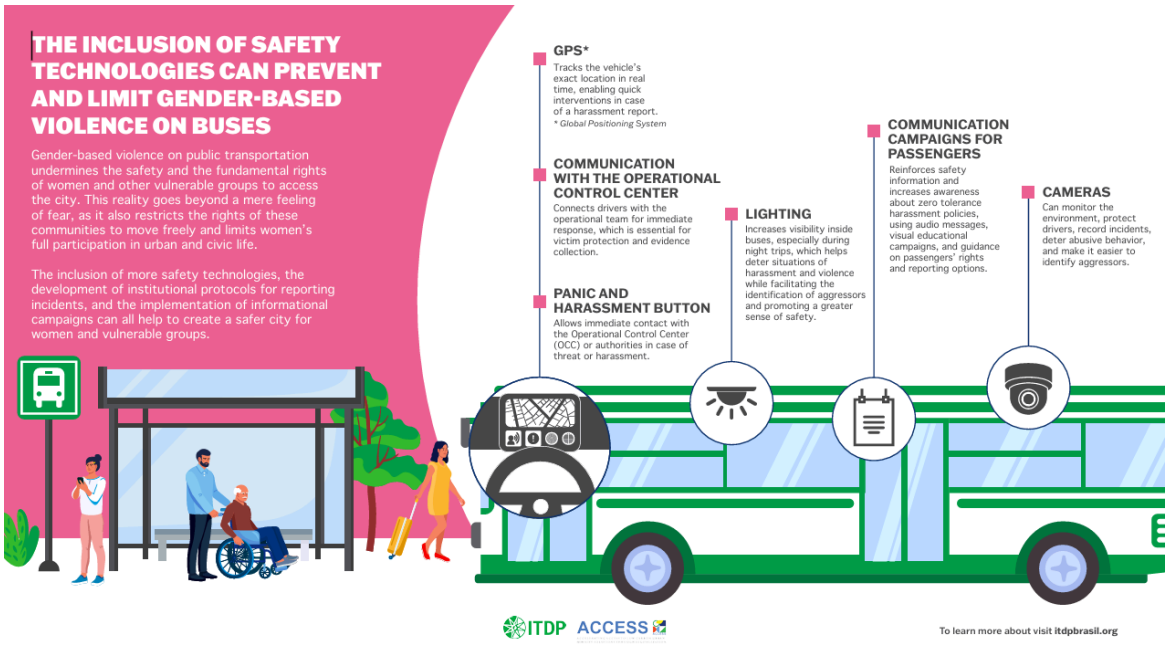
MITIGATION

From fear to safety: the technologies that can transform women's experience on buses

from Mariana Brito, ACCESS Programme

Launched on International Women's Day, the new infographic developed by the ACCESS project: Accelerating Access to Low Carbon Urban Mobility Solutions through Digitalization brings together key onboard technologies that should be incorporated into buses to strengthen women's safety in public transport. The material highlights essential devices and systems to address gender-based vulnerability in urban mobility and promote safer, more welcoming environments. More than presenting solutions, the infographic is designed as a practical tool to support public managers, operators, and technical teams in integrating these technologies—from planning to day-to-day transport operations.



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Download the infographic now and explore the solutions that can transform safety in public transport:

» Infográfico - A inclusão de tecnologias de segurança pode prevenir e conter violência de gênero dentro dos ônibus - ITDP Brasil

Innovation against the climate crisis: 8th COR Challenge advances in selecting technological solutions to transform Rio de Janeiro's bus system

from Mariana Brito, ACCESS Programme

© ITDP ACCESS | The images show participants and organizers of the COR Challenge.

Throughout the month of March, the activities of the 8th COR Challenge progressed at full speed. Under the theme "Public Transport and Extreme Climate Events," the initiative mobilized teams of developers to create innovative solutions aimed at improving operational efficiency and strengthening the resilience of urban mobility in the face of climate crisis impacts in Rio de Janeiro.

In recent weeks, participating teams went through an intensive capacity-building phase, including lectures and technical and business mentoring sessions designed to refine their proposals. On March 21, the teams presented their solutions to an evaluation panel composed of representatives from civil society, the private sector, academia, and the City of Rio de Janeiro.

The evaluation criteria included team diversity, data use and integration, creativity, clarity of presentation, business model sustainability, relevance, scalability, and alignment with the challenge.

Four teams were selected to move on to the next phase, and the most promising solutions will advance to the incubation stage.

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» Instagram Post

Climate reporting grants by WRI Brasil result in a story published in The Guardian

from Lucilla Dias, 2050 is now: Aligning climate action with long-term climate and development goals - implementation phase

© Eleanor Shakespeare | Indigenous groups, represented by leaders such as Edmilson dos Santos Oliveira, Mariazinha Baré and Luene Karipuna, pictured, say they are not against development, but wish to have their concerns heard.

A report by Aline Scherer for the British newspaper The Guardian takes a deeper look at Brazil's pathway away from fossil fuels and its oil production, with a specific focus on ongoing exploratory activities in the Amazon River basin, in Oiapoque (AP), and their impacts on local communities. The report was produced with support from the project "Brazil post-COP30: Pathways to emissions neutrality," a partnership between WRI Brasil and the Brazilian Association of Investigative Journalism (Abraji), which funded four original stories on Brazil's climate transition.

The full article is available at:

» "If they pollute our rivers, what will become of us?": the town divided between hope and fear in Brazil's Amazon oil rush | Oil | The Guardian.

Trade4EU project launched to advance deforestation-free agricultural supply chains

from Mirko Gamez, Transforming Agricultural Supply Chains to Deforestation and Conversion-free in Latin América – Trade4EU

© GIZ Brasil | Promotional poster for the project launch

On April 30, 2026, the project “Transforming deforestation- and conversion-free agricultural supply chains in Latin America – Trade4EU” was launched in Brasília during a hybrid event. Led by GIZ, Solidaridad, and WWF, the initiative connects producers, companies, and governments to promote more sustainable, transparent coffee, soy, and livestock supply chains aligned with international market requirements.

The project aims to strengthen deforestation-free practices, enhance traceability, and support the transition to more sustainable production models across the region.

More information:

» Project Official Website

UNIDO and partners launch CB-ACES project in Brazil to advance circular economy solutions

from Matthias Pfaff, Climate and Biodiversity Action through Circular Economy Solutions (CB-ACES)

© Artur Vicari Granato | SENAI, One of the groups presenting the results of their discussion during the CB-ACES Brazil launch event

At the CB-ACES Brazil launch event in São Paulo on February 26, 2026, representatives from government, industry, academia, and civil society came together to take stock of the state of the Circular Economy in Brazil. Working across four thematic groups covering policy, capacity building, business models, and finance, participants identified shared barriers, mapped opportunities, and flagged priorities for action.

Despite remaining structural gaps, the discussions highlighted promising CE opportunities, including remanufacturing and service-based models.

The insights gathered feed into the planning of the implementation phase of the project, which is scheduled to start at the end of this year.

More information:

» Project Official Website

Awareness-raising at a fair and the expansion of a socio-environmental assessment drive pollinator-friendly practices in Chapada Diamantina

from Felipe Moura, Protection of Pollinating Insects in Latin America and the Caribbean (Poli-LAC)

© ASAMIL | Poli-LAC specialist and researcher speaking with a consumer at the Rio de Contas (BA) fair, where the awareness-raising workshop took place

Poli-LAC held an awareness-raising workshop at the Rio de Contas (BA) fair, inviting participants to identify pollinators present in fruits and vegetables and to better understand, in a practical way, the interactions between plants and their pollinators.

In parallel, the project advanced the replication of the Apoia Melissa socio-environmental assessment, developed by Embrapa, expanding its application to new farms in Chapada Diamantina. After completing the assessment in areas producing coffee, passion fruit, and berries, farmers selected and began implementing pollinator-friendly practices with technical assistance. Currently, 24 farms are part of the initiative, which continues to expand.

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» IICA Brasil Instagram post

Brazil launches Climate Plan 2035 and strengthens national strategy to address the climate emergency

from Carolina Coelho, Climate Policy Programme Brazil (PoMuC)

© MW/GIZ Brasil | German delegation poses for a photo in a linear park project during a visit to projects in SP

On March 16, 2026, the Government of Brazil launched the National Climate Change Plan (Climate Plan), the country's main planning instrument to guide climate action through 2035. The plan sets out guidelines for emissions mitigation, adaptation to climate impacts, and the strengthening of climate finance, aligned with the implementation of the Paris Agreement and Brazil's NDC. Its development received technical support from GIZ through the PoMuC II and ProAdapta projects, which contributed to strengthening the integration of climate policies, strategic planning, and implementation mechanisms.

More information

» Climate Plan Website

2nd National Dialogue on Brazil's Long-Term Climate Strategy brings together climate leaders to discuss Brazil in 2050

from Lucilla Dias, 2050 is now: Aligning climate action with long-term climate and development goals

On May 12, WRI Brasil brings together climate leaders in São Paulo to discuss The Brazil we want in 2050: pathways to decarbonization, climate resilience, and inclusive development. With online streaming and simultaneous interpretation, the event also enables dialogue with participants from across Brazil and international representation. The event places long-term planning on the national

agenda. The Long-Term Climate Strategy (LTS), which Brazil is yet to submit to the UNFCCC, may serve as a key planning document supporting the pathway from the present to 2050.

More Information:

» 2nd National Dialogue on Brazil's Long-Term Climate Strategy | WRI Brasil

BIODIVERSITY

Protection of pollinators is included in a national public call for proposals for women-led family farming

por Felipe Moura, Protection of Pollinating Insects in Latin America and the Caribbean (Poli-LAC)

© Felipe Moura| Stingless bees in a hive.

Poli-LAC supported the inclusion of pollinator protection and biodiversity conservation as criteria in a BRL 50 million public call launched by Brazil's Ministry of Agrarian Development and Family Farming (MDA), focused on women-led productive home gardens.

The initiative integrates agroecology, social inclusion, and rural development, benefiting family farmers, women settled through agrarian reform, as well as Indigenous, Quilombola, and other traditional community women. The call foresees support for up to 15 projects, including technical assistance, inputs, and technologies. The project's next step is to support the monitoring of the implementation of the productive home gardens and strengthen the pollinator agenda in future public policies.

More Information:

» Edital de Chamamento Público nº 01/2026: Apoio à Estruturação de Quintais Produtivos e Organização Produtiva de Mulheres Rurais, Urbanas e Periurbanas

Update of the Mangrove Mapping shows that Brazil has 1.2 million hectares of mangroves

from Jamila Tavares, Projeto TerraMar - Proteção e Gestão Integrada da Biodiversidade Costeira e Marinha

Brazil has 1,229,644 hectares of mangroves, with the Northeast region accounting for 57% of this ecosystem. The data comes from the updated Brazilian Mangrove Mapping, released on March 18 as a result of a partnership between the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (MMA) and the Brazilian Institute of Environment and Renewable Natural Resources (Ibama).

Minister Marina Silva attended the launch of the tool, which uses remote sensing techniques to consolidate data that will support mangrove monitoring. The mapping is part of the National Program for the Conservation and Sustainable Use of Mangroves in Brazil (ProManguezal), which coordinates actions for the conservation, restoration, and sustainable use of these ecosystems. .

© Jamila Tavares | The Minister of the Environment and Climate Change, Marina Silva, speaks during the launch ceremony of the updated Mangrove Mapping, held in Brasília.

Brazilian government discusses progress and challenges of Marine Spatial Planning (MSP)

from Jamila Tavares, Projeto TerraMar - Proteção e Gestão Integrada da Biodiversidade Costeira e Marinha

© Jamila Tavares | Members of the Marine Spatial Planning (MSP) Working Group pose after a meeting in Brasília. Some participants are standing and crouching in person, while a TV screen displays those who joined remotely.

The Interinstitutional Working Group supporting Marine Spatial Planning (GTPEM) met in Brasília in March this year to refine the strategy for developing the MSP, define actions for the coming months, and review progress across different regions of Brazil.

GTPEM advises the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (MMA) in monitoring the MSP, a tool for the integrated and sustainable management of Brazil's marine space, with a focus on conserving coastal and ocean ecosystems. The group is composed of representatives from the MMA, the Brazilian Institute of Environment and Renewable Natural Resources (IBAMA), and the Chico Mendes Institute for Biodiversity Conservation (ICMBio).

More information:

» TerraMar Project

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Publication of the working paper
Framework for Climate Justice in Brazil

Framework for Climate Justice in Brazil
from 2050 is now – Aligning climate action with long-term climate and development goals

Luana Priscila Betti (WRI Brasil), Rogger Barreiros (WRI Brasil), Lucilla Dias (WRI Brasil), Karen Silverwood-Cope (WRI Brasil), Antonio Ouro (WRI Brasil) e Diogo Lima (Dendezê)

The Framework for Climate Justice in Brazil (WRI Brasil) proposes eight phases for the practical application of the

climate justice concept in public and private sector climate actions, taking into account Brazil's specific context.

The launch event brought together 145 representatives from government, the private sector, academia, and civil society. During the event, Aloisio Melo (National Secretary for Climate Change) highlighted the importance of tools like the Framework to support "actions and commitments to make the country resilient (…) and less greenhouse gas–intensive, while doing so in a way that is connected (…) to an inclusive national development strategy."

More Information:

» Arcabouço para Justiça Climática no Brasil Download

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Cover of the Climate Plan booklet publication

Climate Plan booklet expands public access to Brazil's climate policies

from PoMuC II in partnership with Secretaria de Mudança do Clima do Ministério do Meio Ambiente

The Climate Plan booklet was launched to make Brazil's climate policy more accessible to the general public.The material explains, in an accessible way, the plan's objectives, pillars, and actions through 2035.

The publication presents its three main pillars—mitigation, adaptation, and cross-cutting strategies—while also highlighting how climate policies impact different sectors and territories across the country, helping to expand access to information and strengthen social participation in the climate agenda.

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9º Encontro de Networking da IKI no Brasil discute cooperação em rede e impacto coletivo

19 e 20 de maio no Porto Vittoria, em Brasília

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The first IKI Gender Community of Practice event of 2026!

Online

On Wednesday, 20 May 2026 and Thursday, 21 May 2026, the IKI Gender Community of Practice will host two online sessions on the linkages between gender and climate finance (Session A and Session B). The sessions will explore key concepts, share practical experiences, and discuss approaches to integrating gender considerations into climate finance projects.

Registration until 19th may:

» https://www.international-climate-initiative.com/en/iki-media/events/iki-gender-community-of-practice/

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