Developing Markets for Environmental Services of Forests

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- ✓ Terra Capital: biodiversity investments
- ✓ Investment characteristics business approach
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A2R= AxialRR(Brazil)+GMO-RR (Boston)

Objective: Capitalize <u>market opportunities</u> identified in biodiversity/ environmental markets.

- **Focus**: private equity/venture capital investments in small and medium companies.
- Coverage: Latin America



Target Markets

- ✓ Organic Agriculture
- ✓ Sustainable Forestry
- ✓ Non-Timber Forest Products (Palms, Fruits, Nuts, Herbs)
- ✓ Ecotourism
- ✓ Acquaculture (activities that release pressure over ecosystems).
- ✓ Bioprospection
- ✓ Clean Technologies
- ✓ Renewable Energy



Investment Vehicles

- Terra Capital Investors
 - US\$ 15-25 MM

Organic, NTFP, Aquacultu: TERRA CAPIT Ecotourism, Sust.Forestry (non-tropical)

Partners: IFC, EEAF, SDI

- Sustainable Forestry
 - US\$100-150 MM
 - Partners: GMO-RR



Clean Technology Fund

- •Target US\$35 MM (+ debt facility)
- •MIF Initiative
- •Energy Efficiency, Renewable Energy, Recycling, Water Treatment...
- •Target: CDM component.
- •Partners: EIC

Amazon BiodiversityPermanent Fund

- -US\$150-200 MM
- -Funding Mechanism
- -Objective: setting up property rights for bioprospection





Management Team

- 14 people in Sao Paulo + partners in Boston
- Multidisciplinary:
 - ✓ Economists/ Finance specialist (ex-bankers)
 - ✓ Business experts
 - ✓ Legal Background
 - ✓ Agronomist Engineers
 - ✓ Forest Engineers
 - ✓ Biologists
- >Alignment of interests
- >Willingness to travel- hands on attitude commitment



Projects-Geographic Distribution





NTFP Amazonian Heart of Palm - Marajó



Investment: US\$1.1 MM IRR (e): 26.6%





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Terra Capital Investors

- US\$ 15-50 Million
- Investors: MIF, IFC, Swiss Govt., Triodos Bank, ...
- 10 Year Venture Capital Fund
- Preservation & Promotion of Biodiversity
- Target: Latin American Enterprises
- Expected average annual ROI 20%
- US\$ 5 Million GEF Grant





Biodiversity Advisory Board

- Established with the fund
- Members from different countries, institutions and fields of study
- Determine guidelines
- Evaluate project bio-consultant report
- Approve or reject a project from a biodiversity standpoint





Biodiversity Guidelines

- Maintain or Enhance Biodiversity Assets or Resources
- Reduce/eliminate Possible Negative Impacts or Threats to Biodiversity
- Consistent with IFC's environmental policies and guidelines





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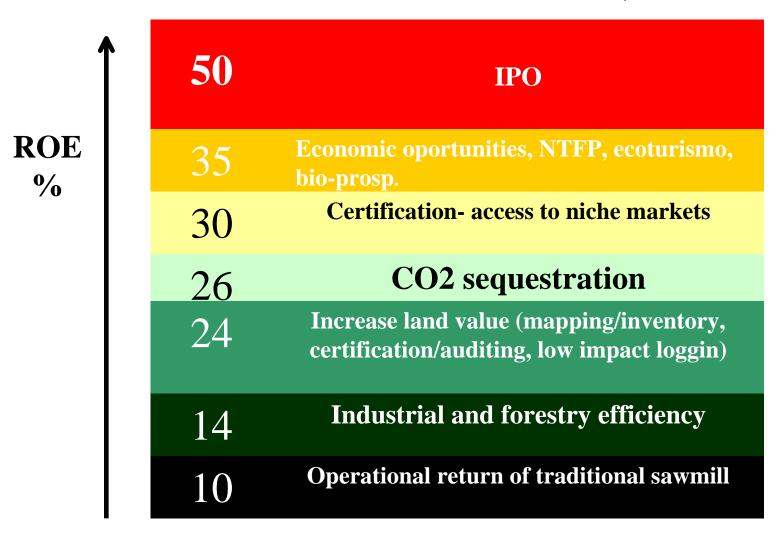


Investments Carachteristics

- M&A:
 - execution needs "hands on" approach
 - Complicated logistics (remote locations)
 - emerging sectors
- Leverage needs: equity + debt
- Need to integrate NGO's and non-profit support
- Objective: capitalize on externalities



Sources of Financial Return (10-50%?)





Development obstacles

- ✓ Unreliable accounting (audited or not)
- ✓ Survival through tax evasion/avoidance
- ✓ Require patience and hand holding
- ✓ Investment needs monitoring but doesn't like partners
- ✓ Need field/technicians + Certifiers
- ✓ No market liquidity => difficult exits
- ✓ Small projects scale: fix costs of prospecting and structuring investments are high.



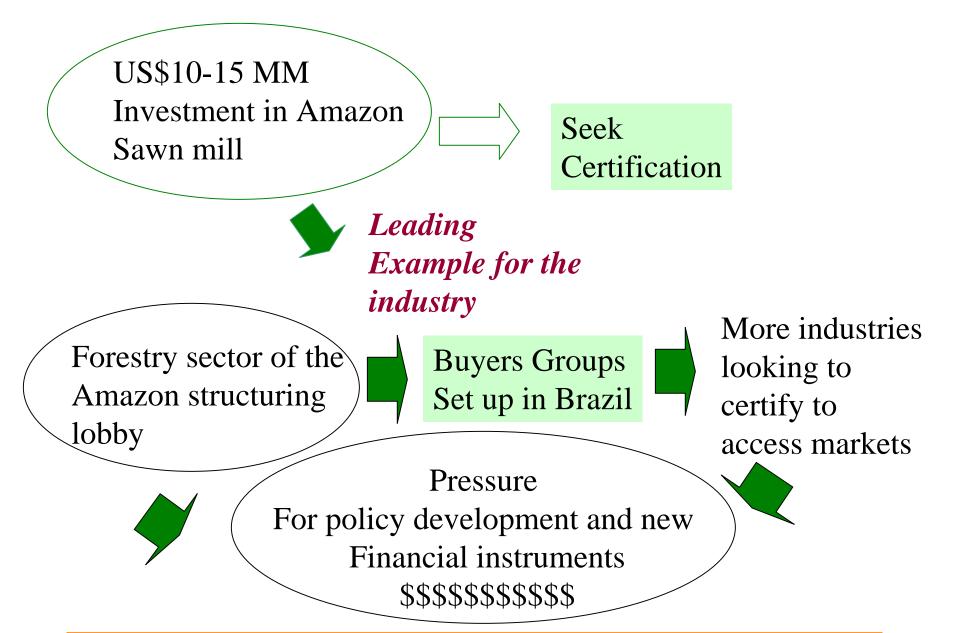
Business Approach

- ✓ Pick the winners
- ✓ Align interests (with partners, supplying communities, buyers, and other stake holders)
- ✓ Always look at markets
- ✓ Hands-on
- ✓ Develop management capacity
- ✓ Rely on certification
- ✓ Set-up strategic partnerships: local government, communities, NGO's.
- ✓ Do not loose focus



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