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Acronyms

ABC	Brazilian Academy of Sciences
ACT	Amazon Cooperation Treaty
ACTO	Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organisation
ADA	Agency of Development of Amazonia
AMZA	Amazon Mining Co.
ARPA	Amazon Protected Areas Programme
ATIX	Xingu Lands Indigenous Association
ATTO	Amazon Tall Tower Observatory
BFC	Brazilian Forest Code
BMBF	German Ministry of Education and Research
BMFT	German Ministry of Research and Technology
BMZ	German Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development
BNDES	Brazilian National Bank for Economic and Social Development
BR	Brazilian Federal Roads
BRICS	Group of emerging states: Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa
BSM	Brazilian Soybean Moratorium
CAPES	Coordination for the Improvement of Higher Education
CAPOIB	Articulation Council of Indigenous Peoples and Organisations of Brazil
CAR	Rural Environmental Registry
CDM	Clean Development Mechanism
CHESF	Hydroelectric Company of the São Francisco River
CIMI	Indigenous Missionary Council
CIPGC	Interministerial Council for the Grande Carajás Programme
CNDDA	National Campaign of the Defence and Development of Amazonia
CNPq	National Council for Scientific and Technological Development
CNPI	National Council of Indigenous Policy
COIAB	Coordination of the Indigenous Organisations of the Brazilian Amazon
CONAB	National Supply Company
CONAMA	National Council for the Environment
CONAMAZ	National Council for the Legal Amazon
COP	Conference of the Parties
CPATU	Agricultural Research Centre of the Humid Tropics
CPT	Rural Pastoral Commission
CVRD	Cia. Vale do Rio Doce
DETER	Deforestation Detection System
DNER	National Department of Highways

DNPM	National Department of Mineral Production
EC	European Community
EdIGUT	Editor Institute of Geography University of Tübingen
EEC	European Economic Community
EFC	Carajás railroad
EIA/RIMA	Environmental Impact Assessment/Report of Environmental Impact
EMATER	Agricultural Extension Service
EMBRAPA	Brazilian Agricultural Research Cooperation
ENREDD	National strategy for reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation
EU	European Union
FAB	Brazilian Air Force
FAO	Food and Agricultural Organisation of the UN
FINAME	Special Agency for Industrial Financing
FNMA	National Environmental Fund
FSC	Forest Stewardship Council
FUNAI	National Indigenous People Foundation
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GEAMAM	CVRD's Environmental Study and Advisory Group
GETAT	Executive Group of Araguaia-Tocantins Lands
GHG	Greenhouse gases
GIZ	German Agency of International Cooperation
GTA	Amazonian Working Group
GTZ	German Technical Cooperation Agency
IAG	International Advisory Group
IBAMA	Brazilian Institute of Environment and Renewable Natural Resources
IBDF	Brazilian Institute of Forest Development
IBGE	Brazilian Institute of Geography and Statistics
ICMBio	Chico Mendes Institute for Biodiversity Conservation
IDB	Inter-American Development Bank
IDCJ	National Development Centre of Japan
IDESP	Institute for Economic and Social Development of Pará
IEA	Institute of Amazonian and Environmental Studies
IMAZON	Amazon Institute of People and the Environment
INCRA	National Institute for Colonisation and Agrarian Reform
INPA	National Institute for Amazonian Research
INPE	National Space Research Institute
IPAM	Amazon Environmental Research Institute

IPBES	Intergovernmental Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services
IPCC	Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
IPEA	Institute of Applied Economic Research
ISA	Socio-Environmental Institute
ITTA	International Tropical Timber Agreement
IWGIA	International World Group for Indigenous Affairs
JICA	Japanese International Cooperation Agency
KAS	Konrad Adenauer Foundation
KfW	German Government Development Bank
MAB	Man and the Biosphere
MATOPIBA	Maranhão, Tocantins, Piauí, Bahia
MIRAD	Ministry of Agrarian Reform and Agrarian Development
MMA	Ministry of the Environment
MME	Ministry of Mining and Energy
MRN	Mining Company Rio do Norte
MST	Movement of the Landless
mt	million tons
mtpy	million tons per year
NGO	Non-Governmental Organisation
NUAR	Urban Nucleus of Rural Support
OAS	Organisation of American States
PAC	Growth Acceleration Programme
PAS	Plan of Sustainable Amazonia
PCC	First Command of the Capital
PDRI	Integrated Rural Development Project
PGC	Grande Carajás Programme
PIN	National Programme of Integration
PMDB	Brazilian Democratic Movement Party
PNMA	National Environmental Programme
PNMC	National Plan on Climate Change
PPCDam	Plan for the Prevention and Control Programme for Deforestation in Amazonia
PPG7	Pilot Programme to conserve the Brazilian tropical rain forests (of the G7 states)
PPTAL	Integrated Project for the Protection of Indigenous Peoples and Lands in the Legal Amazon
PROBOR	Programme for Rubber Production
PRODES	Satellite Monitoring of Deforestation in the Legal Amazon
PRODESQUE	Fire and Deforestation Control Project

RADAM	Radar in the Amazon
REDD	Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation
REM	REDD Early Movers
RESEX	Extractive Reserve
RFT	Rain Forest Trust Fund
SBPC	Brazilian Society for the Advancement of Science
SCA	Secretariat of Coordination of Amazonia
SEDEC-MT	Secretary of Economic Development of the State of Mato Grosso
SEMA	Environmental Protection Agency
SEPLAN	Secretariat of Planning of the Presidency of the Republic
SHIFT	Studies on Human Impact on Tropical Forests and Floodplains in Brazil
SISNAMA	National System for the Environment
SIVAM	System of Vigilance over the Amazon
SNI	National Information Service
SNUC	National System of Conservation Units
SOPREN	Society of Amazonia's Natural and Cultural Resources Preservation
SPI	Indian Protection Service
SPU	Union Heritage Secretariat
SPVEA	Superintendency of Amazon Economic Development
SUDAM	Superintendency of Development for the Amazon
SUDECO	Superintendency of Central-West Development
SUDENE	Superintendency of Northeast Development
SUDEPE	Superintendency for Fishery Development
SUDHEVEA	Superintendency of Rubber
SUFRAMA	Superintendency of the Manaus Free Trade Zone
TBGL	Tübinger Beiträge zur Geographischen Lateinamerikaforschung (Tübingen Contributions to Geographical Research on Latin America)
TFAP	Tropical Forestry Action Plan
tpy	tons per year
UDR	Democratic Association of Ruralists
UNCED	United Nations Conference on Environment and Development
UNCTAD	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
UNEP	United Nations Environmental Programme
UNFCCC	United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
WWF	World Wide Fund for Nature

Glossary

barrageiros	power plant workers
boias frias	migrant workers
cacique	chief
empreiteiro	subcontractor
favela	slum, shantytown
fazenda	farm
fazendeiro	farmer
garimpo	gold mine
garimpeiro	gold digger
grilo	grabbed land
grileiro	land grabber
grilagem	land grabbing
latifundio	big estate
minifundio	small plot of land
minifundista	smallholder
pistoleiro	gunman
posseiro	squatter, settler without land title
prefeitura	mayor's office
ribeirinhos	riverside population
ruralista	large landholder
seringal	rubber plantation
seringalista	owner of a rubber plantation
seringueiro	rubber tapper
várzea	floodplain