

Recommendations – WG1. Natural Resources Development

We recommend:

1. Including a gender-based approach in the law-making processes, and rendering women more visible in environmental policies and laws;
2. Developing land management plans that include a regulatory framework for mining operations which are consistent with environmental protection practices and standards;
3. Developing organic farming policies, and agro-ecological farming and native seed promotion techniques to offset climate change, and warning about the use of toxic agrochemicals;
4. Recommending that each country's tax scheme be revised in order to establish that any royalties resulting from mining and natural resource development operations should be sufficient, and that they should be allocated to soil and natural resource recovery; and
5. Further strengthening the role of, and the financial contributions to, the Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization, so that it may contribute to sustainable development, to social inclusion and to the preservation of flora through the implementation of joint policies for the economically sustainable development and protection of the ecosystem.