STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AS A DECISION-MAKING TOOL IN PARAGUAY

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PARAGUAYAN CONTEXT

- Population: 7,353,672 inhabitants
- Total area: 406,752 km²
Law No. 2,524, commonly known as the "Zero Deforestation Law" for the eastern region

Law No. 422, known as Forestry Law

Law No. 294 Environmental Impact Assessment Law

Resolution N°1576/2011 based on the National Environmental Policy
INFRASTRUCTURE AND PUBLIC WORKS

- Environmental and Social Assessment
- Social Management Guidelines
- Indigenous Communities Procedures Guidelines
- ETAG
- PGAS
- FEAP
- ISSA
- FCA
- PGAS
- INVEST
- TERM OF REFERENCE
- EIA
- SIA
- INVEST
INTERINSTITUTIONAL COOPERATION
SEA CAPACITY BUILDING

TIMELINE

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- The IDB leads the Strategic Environmental and Social Assessment focused on road infrastructure included in the development plan of the Ministry of Public Works (MOPC).
OTHER PROGRESS

Proposed Land Use Planning Law that regulates SEA for municipal land use plans
LESSONS LEARNED

In order to consolidate the SEA process in Paraguay, we need to continue strengthening the capacities of CSOs and government institutions.

SEA is a good tool for strategic decision making for territorial and development plans. The first experiences in Paraguay present both opportunities and challenges.

We would achieve impact when SEA implementation in government plans, policies or programs has a legal basis.

The planning of projects and infrastructures from the government must be developed ensuring the involvement of the different.
Let’s continue the conversation!

Post questions and comments via chat in the IAIA21 platform.

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