

HUNI KUIN PROJECTS 2024

by Living Gaia e.V.

The Amazon rainforest is under threat. About 20% has already been lost, and deforestation is accelerating. Indigenous territories are oases for the protection of the forest. Exploitation, however, is becoming more and more severe.

The Berlin based NGO Living Gaia has been supporting the Indigenous Huni Kuin in Acre, Brazil, in protecting their homeland since 2014.

For this, we need your help.



THE ASSOCIATION

The charitable association Living Gaia e.V. was founded in 2014 by the psychologist and entrepreneur Alexandra Schwarz-Schilling. Living Gaia works to protect the Amazon rainforest and support the Indigenous peoples living there; in particular the Huni Kuin. The Huni Kuin live in the Brazilian state of Acre near the border with Peru. From the beginning, the focus has been on working with women. In 2018, with the election of Bolsonaro, the Amazon Conservation Project was born, which we are implementing with our local partner organizations. Currently, we are collecting donations for the projects on the newly established protected area and for the women's association Ainbu Dayá, founded in 2022.

OUR GUIDELINES



PROTECTION OF THE FOREST: We are establishing a protected area of 16,800 hectares. Of this, 16,000 hectares are primary forest with a rich flora and fauna.



EMPOWERMENT OF THE WOMEN: We support the women in building up their organizational structures. In all projects, women play a leading role and hold decision-making positions.



INDIGENOUS SELF-DETERMINATION: The Huni Kuin are part of all phases of the projects. In the long term, they will take the management of the land that originally belonged to them.



HEALTH: Physical and mental health are inextricably linked to access to intact nature. In addition, we support the Huni Kuin with infrastructure for clean drinking water and with medical care.



FOOD SECURITY: Malnutrition is a major problem in the region. By implementing agroforestry systems and fish farming, we support food diversification and protein availability.



ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE: Create self-sustaining income opportunities from agroforestry to cosmetics production to ecotourism, combining ancient traditions with approaches: Showing the world that the forest is worth more intact than cut down.



CLIMATE PROTECTION: The protected area of 16,000 ha of Amazon forest stores approx. 400,000t CO₂ per year (1). The same amount as a German city with 36,000 inhabitants emits per year (2). Intact forests guarantee precipitation in large parts of South America.









TIMELINE



the Jordão region, "Ainbu Dayá". **APRIL** Realization of 2022 the projects

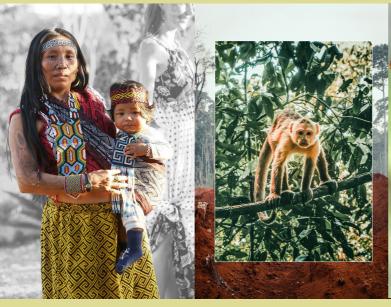
2023/24

MAY 2023

Signing of the purchase contract for the conservation project and transfer of the first instalment (€ 300.000.-)

Foundation of the Association Living Gaia. Start of projects in the villages

2014





Through our work, we contribute to the UN Sustainable Development Goals:





















PROJECTS 2024

We collect donations for the following projects



















"Support the Huni Kuin in protecting their homeland - For a shared future of people and nature."



We are happy about any contribution:

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If you would like to support a specific project, please indicate the appropriate subject.

All donations are tax-deductible.

From US\$ 500.- you will receive a certificate with your individual impact

From US\$ 10.000.- you can become an official supporter and your name will appear on our website.

We are open for the individual promotion of your campaign.

Contact us!



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