

Territorial Management and Ecological Sustainability: Contributions from the Traditional Knowledge of Amazonian Peoples.

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ABSTRACT

This bibliographical and documentary study explored the contributions of Amazonian peoples' traditional knowledge to territorial management and ecological sustainability, from a hermeneutic paradigm. The objective was to analyze how these indigenous practices, steeped in ancestral wisdom, offer solutions for environmental conservation in the face of the climate crisis. The methodology, based on a systematic review of secondary sources, employed techniques such as searching academic databases, bibliographic records, and analysis matrices. Data analysis, guided by hermeneutics, prioritized the in-depth interpretation of texts to unravel contextual meanings, integrating cultural and ecological perspectives. The results highlight three constructions: territorial management, as community governance that preserves territories; ecological sustainability, as a balance of ecosystem services; and traditional knowledge, as holistic knowledge that regulates the relationship with nature. Authors such as Posey (1985), Balée (1994), and FAO and FILAC (2021) show that indigenous practices, such as forest gardens and soil management, outperform external approaches to conservation. The discussion highlights the resilience of these communities, whose reciprocity with nature challenges extractivist models, although gaps persist in the inclusion of women's voices. The conclusions advocate for integrating this knowledge into global policies, promoting equitable collaborations that strengthen sustainability. Research is recommended into hybridizations of youth knowledge and perspectives for an inclusive future, inspired by the vitality of the Amazon.

Keywords: territorial management, ecological sustainability, traditional knowledge, Amazonian peoples, hermeneutics.

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