Public Policies and Pollination in Brazil





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Pollinators and Public Policies



Although pollination services are very important for food production and ecosystem regeneration, it tends to occur below the horizon of awareness of policymakers.

Brazilian history is being made this week



This week the final decisions of the revision of Brazilian Forestry Code (result of years and years of debates and strugles) are being made by president Dilma Roussef.

12 hours ago newspapers noticed that 9 vetoes were made to avoid an increase of deforestation.

And this is important because...



This law regulates all aspects of forestry in Brazil, it exist since 1965, was reworded in 1989 and now was deeply revised.

Pollinators need natural areas to live and forage. It doesn't need to be big areas and is important they are well spread over the landscape. The closer to the crops, the better yelds we will achieve.





Brazilian track record regarding this specific law is very bad, we need to see what will happen now.

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Small households agriculture programs



- Minimum price policies
 - Better credit
- More information about agroforestry systems
- Certification and Bio (organic) agriculture in experiencing a huge increase in the last years.

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• Agriculture Ministry

• Agriculture Technical assistance institutions

• Schools (from elementary to high school)



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