

Territorios forestales sostenibles (TEFOS)

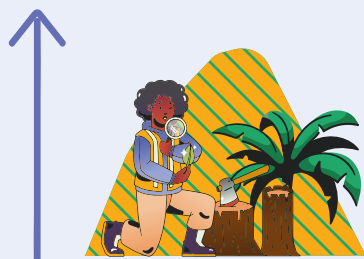


TEFOS is a UK-funded programme which aims to support the Government of Colombia.



To reduce deforestation specifically in areas affected by conflict.

What does the programme do in Colombia?



TEFOS aims to stabilise Colombia's deforestation

frontiers and to halt the current deforestation trend through three pillars:

1.

Strengthening land registry systems

to incentivise sustainable land management (2020-2025).

2.

Strengthening the environmental rule of law

to tackle environmental crime in deforestation hotspots (2021-2025).

3.

Creating and promoting

innovative, sustainable economic opportunities for communities (2022-2026).

How does this programme support colombian priorities?

Activities under the new programme will assist Colombia to address the priority issue of reducing deforestation and by extension greenhouse gas emissions, thereby supporting Colombia to implement its Nationally Determined Contribution and achieve its targets under the Paris Agreement.

The programme supports the goals of the Joint Declaration of Intent (JDI) between the Governments of Colombia, Norway, Germany and the United Kingdom, signed in December 2019. The JDI reaffirms their commitment to reducing greenhouse gas emissions from deforestation and forest degradation and promoting sustainable development in Colombia.



The programme will also support the implementation of Colombia's National Development Plan and regional PDETs (rural development plans) and contribute to the implementation of the peace building initiatives, as many deforestation hotspots are in conflict-affected areas. For this reason, it is closely aligned with and co-funded by the UK's Conflict Stability and Security Fund (CSSF).

What has been achieved so far?

The programme was jointly announced by the UK and Colombia during the World Environment Day on the 5th June 2020 and a media event with President Duque announcing the start of Pillar 1 took place in November