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Indigenous peoples, development and social-ecological sustainability of the Amazon



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Abstract: How might academics engage with indigenous and local communities to collaboratively study and manage the impacts of large infrastructure on bio cultural diversity across the Amazonian basin? In this presentation, I will synthesize preliminary results and lessons learned of a three-year international collaboration project aimed at comparatively studying the impacts of dams on indigenous lands in the Brazilian Amazon. The project was informed by a participatory and transdisciplinary framework to co-production of knowledge between academia and society, through dialogue, knowledge exchange and research coordination among indigenous peoples, academic researchers and other relevant actors.

About the speaker: Dr. Simone Athayde is an environmental anthropologist and interdisciplinary ecologist. She is a Core Faculty and the UF Leader for the Amazon Dams Network (ADN), hosted in the Tropical Conservation and Development Program (TCD) in the Center for Latin American Studies at University of Florida. Her research interests include conservation of biocultural diversity, inter- and trans-disciplinary research in the environmental sciences, the contribution of indigenous knowledge to sustainable development, and participatory research and management of social-ecological systems in the Amazonian region and beyond.



Graduate students are invited to join Dr. Athayde at lunch from 12:30 to 1:30 PM at the Faculty Club in GC; lunch will be covered by the department. To arrange a meeting with Dr. Athayde or to RSVP for the graduate student lunch, please contact Ana Rojas (aroja088@fiu.edu), Mason Bradbury (mbrad045@fiu.edu), or Angelica Moncada (amonc002@fiu.edu) by noon this Thursday (10/26/2017).