Engagement of the indigenous communities in the Amazon to the contingency plan for indigenous peoples in isolation in Colombia

"The issue of the indigenous peoples in isolation is an issue of inclusive participation ..."

Bora Antonio, ranger of the Cahuinari Parks and indigenous leader

For nine days experts on indigenous affairs of the Member Countries of the Amazon Cooperation Treaty Organization (ACTO) participated in a Technical Field Mission to Amazon areas near the Río Puré and Cahuinari National Parks in Colombia. During the period 19 to 27 July, 2014, delegates learned about progress in the formulation of public policy for the protection of indigenous peoples in isolation in Colombia, the different protection methodologies used by the Río Puré and Cahuinari National Parks and their strategic allies for the protection of indigenous peoples in isolation. During the mission there were various opportunities for dialogue with local indigenous authorities, who are an integral part of proposed protection in Colombia. The international delegates shared the experience of their countries to enrich the Contingency Plan under discussion in Colombia.