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CARAJÁS ROUNDTABLE

📍 The Amazon, Brazil 📅 13-15 August, 2025

Program





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Day 1 | August 13

Opening Session

Gustavo Pimenta, CEO, Vale

Steve Howard, Secretary General, the Global Foundation

José Pio Borges, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, CEBRI

Roundtable 1 | Global climate governance: COP30 as a turning point for climate action

Goal: Explore how Brazil can position COP30 as a milestone in climate governance, focusing on the implementation of international agreements and private sector active participation.

Moderated by Grazielle Parenti, Executive Vice President – Sustainability, Vale

Firestarters:

Alistair Dutton, Secretary General, Caritas Internationalis

Framing question: *How can COP30 in Belém mobilize multiple stakeholders from the international system towards an integrated approach for development? Which actions should be taken for a just transition, leaving no one behind?*

Izabella Teixeira, Member of the International Advisory Board, CEBRI

Framing question: *Ten years after the Paris Agreement, the rulebook now seems to be complete, and we are entering a new phase focused on implementation. How can COP30 become a turning point in the midst of the growing challenges facing international climate governance? How can the private sector contribute to — and lead — the implementation of climate commitments?*

Sharan Burrow, Co-Chair of the Global Project, the Global Foundation

Framing question: *Looking beyond COP30, what governance innovations — at both national and international levels — are needed to move from climate pledges to measurable, enforceable actions that deliver substantial global impact?*

Ambassador Sophie Davies, Ambassador, Australian Embassy in Brazil

Framing question: *Brazil and Australia are both large countries rich in natural resources. What role can they play in implementing climate commitments and offering solutions for sustainable development? And if COP31 is held in Australia, what kind of legacy could these two countries offer together?*

Yuvan Beejadhur, Senior Advisor to the Director-General, World Trade Organization

Framing question: *In an increasingly complex world, considering geopolitical tensions and shifts in global value chains, how can countries like Brazil promote a positive agenda for international trade — especially one that brings together economic development and a sustainable relationship with nature?*

Open Discussion

Moderated by Grazielle Parenti, Executive Vice President – Sustainability, Vale

Closing Remarks

Keynote: Dan Ioschpe, High-Level Champion, COP30

Keynote: Ambassador André Corrêa do Lago, President, COP30



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High-level dialogue: Road to COP30

As we approach COP30, what are the most critical actions and alliances needed — across diplomacy, business, and civil society — to contribute that the conference in Belém delivers not only ambitious commitments, but also concrete pathways for implementation?

Ambassador André Corrêa do Lago, President, COP30

Suggested framing question: How is Brazil's COP30 presidency using the Action Agenda to drive real-world implementation, translating climate commitments into lasting policy and investment outcomes?

Dan Ioschpe, High-Level Champion, COP30

Suggested framing question: What strategies are being used to mobilize and align the private sector and civil society around the COP30 goals, and how can this articulation strengthen Brazil's leadership in climate action?

Gustavo Pimenta, CEO, Vale

Suggested framing question: Why is the COP30 climate agenda a strategic priority for Vale today, and how can major companies like Vale contribute meaningfully to the success of COP30 and to the broader climate transition in Brazil and globally?

Roundtable 2 | Mining sector and industry decarbonization

Goal: Discuss the pivotal role of the mining sector in decarbonizing the industry and accelerating the energy transition, while also contributing to biodiversity conservation - especially within the Amazon region-, advancing sustainable development and achieving COP30 goals

Moderated by Clarissa Lins, Founding partner, Catavento & Member of the International Advisory Board, CEBRI

Firestarters:

Juan Merlini, Corporate Strategy Director, Vale

Framing question: Today, we find ourselves in the heart of the Amazon rainforest, at a mining site. What lessons can Carajás offer for the future of climate action—especially when it comes to the role of forest conservation in fighting climate change and the growing demand for minerals to support the energy transition?

Marcelo Chara, CEO, Usiminas

Framing question: How can the mining sector accelerate the decarbonization process of its own operations and the related industries - particularly the steel industry, known as a hard-to-abate sector - in alignment with the global climate agenda?

Raul Jungmann, President, The Brazilian Mining Association (IBRAM)

Framing question: How can States and the private sector cooperate nationally and internationally in a way that ensures the responsible extraction of critical minerals, while generating value along the production chain for the territories where the extraction occurs?

Titus Schaar, President, Ternium Brasil

Framing question: Looking at the role of the mining sector in decarbonizing industry and accelerating the energy transition, what kind of legacy can COP30 leave on this front? What progress has already been made, and what still needs to be achieved?

Open Discussion

Moderated by Clarissa Lins, Founding partner, Catavento & Member of the International Advisory Board, CEBRI

Closing Remarks



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Roundtable 3 | The role of the private sector in the climate agenda

Goal: Debate the private sector's strategic participation in designing and implementing innovative and tangible solutions to address pressing global challenges such as decarbonization, energy transition, and climate change mitigation.

Moderated by Daniela Filomeno, Presenter, CNN

Firestarters:

Alex de Carvalho, President, Federation of Industries in the State of Pará (FIEPA)

Suggested framing question: How is the industrial sector promoting sustainable solutions combining regional development and decarbonization in Amazonian territories? Are there examples from the state of Pará that illustrate this dynamic?

Deborah Veitas, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Santander Brasil

Suggested framing question: How can the private sector reinforce their commitment and responsibility regarding the transformation towards a low carbon economy? What are concrete actions that could be taken by businesses to impact such change?

Gabriella Dorlhiac, Executive Director, International Chamber of Commerce Brasil (ICC)

Suggested framing question: What models of collaboration between private and public actors have proven most effective in advancing climate action at scale? Could you share some examples?

Rodrigo Lauria, Climate Change and Carbon Director, Vale

Suggested framing question: What innovative actions is Vale — and the wider private sector — taking to advance decarbonization and climate resilience? How can the private sector undertake climate solutions that are also effective in promoting inclusion, equity, and long-term value creation?

Vicky Sins, Head of Climate Mitigation, Just Transition and Adaptation, World Benchmarking Alliance (WBA)

Suggested framing question: How can corporate strategies be better aligned with national and global climate goals, such as the NDCs and the outcomes of the Global Stocktake? And at the same time, how can these goals be informed by and aligned with these corporate strategies?

Open Discussion

Moderated by Daniela Filomeno, Presenter, CNN

Closing Remarks

Ricardo Mussa, Chair, Sustainable Business COP (SB COP)



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High-level dialogue: Beyond COP30

If COP30 is to be the COP of an action agenda, what should we aim for over the next ten years? What role does the private sector have to play in this process? And how can the upcoming COP presidencies help accelerate this momentum?

Moderated by **Ricardo Mussa**, Chair, Sustainable Business COP (SB COP)

Gustavo Pimenta, CEO, Vale

Suggested framing question: How is Vale preparing for its climate commitments to go beyond and contribute to the transformation needed over the next decade? What role can large industrial actors play in shaping the post-COP30 implementation and action agenda?

Sharan Burrow, Co-Chair – the Global Project, the Global Foundation

Suggested framing question: What governance mechanisms are needed to foster a just transition and to create the conditions for natural and social capital to become key pillars in the development of new business models in post-COP30?

Ambassador Sophie Davies, Ambassador, Australian Embassy in Brazil

Suggested framing question: As Australia is a candidate to host the next Conference, how can the Australian and other upcoming COP presidencies work together in favor of continuity and delivery of the global climate commitments beyond Belém? What role can countries like Brazil and Australia play in advancing climate governance that integrates social development and harmonious relations with nature?

Roundtable 4 | Forest conservation and the scaling of nature-based solutions for a just transition

Goal: Explore how forest conservation and restoration, as well as nature-based solutions, can be scaled up and replicated, promoting a just transition aligned with local contexts, such as the Amazonian

Moderated by Patricia Daros, Nature-Based Solutions Director, Vale

Firestarters:

Anna-Julia McVeigh, Head of Strategic Engagement, Nature Positive Initiative

Framing question: What is the potential of nature-based solutions and integrated land management practices to deliver significant greenhouse gas emissions reductions, while maintaining environmental integrity?

Marcelo Behar, Special Envoy for Bioeconomy, COP30

Framing question: What do you see as the most critical challenges and opportunities for scaling forest preservation and nature-based solutions, particularly in the Amazon, and how can the bioeconomy help overcome them? How is this issue being addressed at COP30, and what kind of legacy can we expect?

Rachel Maia, Independent member of the Board of Directors, Vale & Chair of the Board of Directors of the UN Global Compact Brazil

Framing question: How can forest conservation efforts be aligned with the principles of a just transition, generating social inclusion, dignified jobs, and lasting benefits for local communities? How can the private sector contribute to this end? Could you share examples that could be replicated?

Renata Piazzon, Director General, CEO, Instituto Arapyaú

Framing question: What kinds of partnerships — between public finance, private investors, and territorial organizations — have proven most effective in preserving forests and restoring degraded lands? Can you share some examples of cases in Brazil?

Rosana Vazoller, Governance Program, A Concerted Effort for the Amazon (Uma concertação pela Amazônia)

Framing question: From your experience with multi-actor coordination in the Amazon, what governance models or territorial approaches have proven most effective in scaling forest conservation and nature-based solutions while ensuring they are truly aligned with local realities and the principles of a just transition?



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Roundtable 4 | Forest conservation and the scaling of nature-based solutions for a just transition

Open Discussion

Moderated by Patricia Daros, Nature-Based Solutions Director, Vale

Closing Remarks

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Keynote Speech (TBC)

Aloizio Mercadante, President, BNDES

Framing question: *In the context of Brazil's ambition to lead on climate action and sustainable development, how can national development banks - resting on BNDES experience - unlock the scale of investment needed to deliver a just and inclusive low-carbon transition?*

Roundtable 5 | Unlocking long-term financing for climate action

Goal: Analyze how innovative climate finance mechanisms, risk-sharing instruments and investment approaches can mobilize long-term resources for protection, environmental restoration, and sustainable development.

Moderated by Jorge Arbache, Economics Professor, University of Brasília (UNB) & Former Private Sector Vice President, Development Bank of Latin America and the Caribbean (CAF)

Firestarters:

Abrão Neto, CEO, Amcham Brasil

Framing question: *What innovative financial instruments and mechanisms—such as blended finance, green bonds, or climate funds—are showing the most promise for unlocking long-term investments for climate action from the business perspective?*

Annette Killmer, Country Representative in Brazil, Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)

Framing question: *What is needed to de-risk climate investments and attract private sector participation at scale? How can multilateral development banks and international financial institutions play a more catalytic role in this process?*

Hsia Hua Sheng, Vice President and Executive Director, Bank of China (Brasil) & Associate Professor of Finance at São Paulo School of Business Administration of the Getúlio Vargas Foundation (FGV EAESP)

Framing question: *What are the key barriers to mobilizing long-term finance for climate action, particularly in developing and climate-vulnerable countries, and how can these be overcome?*

Luciana Ribeiro, Transition Finance & Investment Chair, Sustainable Business COP (SB COP)

Framing question: *How can Brazil, through COP30 and beyond, position itself as a protagonist in shaping an effective and inclusive climate finance architecture? What legacy should COP30 leave to advance this agenda?*

Luciana Costa, Director of Infrastructure, Energy Transition and Climate Change, BNDES

Framing question: *How can climate finance mechanisms be designed to be equitable, especially for forest countries and local communities who are on the frontlines of conservation, while still attracting large-scale investment?*



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Closing Remarks | “Advancing the climate transition toward COP30 and beyond”

Reflections on the insights, opportunities, and shared responsibilities emerging from Carajás as Brazil prepares to lead COP30

Luiz Ildefonso Simões Lopes, Vice-President of the Board of Trustees, CEBRI

Steve Howard, Secretary General, the Global Foundation

Official Closing

Daniel Stieler, Chairman of the Board, Vale