The value of sustainable tropical forest management

Tropical forest? Use it or lose it!

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Tropical forests contain more than half of the world’s wildlife species and two thirds of the world’s plant species. They provide a magnitude of ecological services. Tropical forests are enormous carbon sinks and regulate our global climate. They supply water to drink and irrigate. Tropical forests also provide a source of livelihood to over 2 billion people worldwide. In order to prevent deforestation and forest degradation it is essential that the economic value of a tropical forest is recognized.