

(Blue Zone)

The Role of Cooperatives in Advancing Climate Action

Session Host: International Trade Centre (ITC) and Organization of Brazilian Cooperatives (OCB)

Session Type: Panel session

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Session Description

This panel, organized in collaboration with OCB (Organização de Cooperativas do Brasil), will explore the critical role cooperatives can play in addressing climate challenges. Cooperatives are uniquely positioned to drive climate action at the grassroots level, with their strong community ties and collaborative approach. However, they also face significant challenges in accessing financing and policy support to fully engage in sustainable practices.

The session will highlight how agricultural cooperatives can contribute to climate resilience. From adopting sustainable agricultural practices to providing green housing solutions and promoting resource efficiency through circularity, cooperatives offer innovative solutions aligned with climate goals.

The discussion will bring together cooperative representatives and leaders, international organizations, and climate policy experts to examine the policy and financing needs of cooperatives in the context of the global climate agenda. This panel aims to identify concrete actions and partnerships that can enable cooperatives to scale their climate contributions while addressing challenges related to financial inclusion and policy alignment.

Join us to explore how cooperatives can be powerful agents of change in advancing inclusive and sustainable climate action.

Proposed Speakers and Moderator

Moderator:

- Representative from the International Trade Centre (ITC)

Speakers:

- Eduardo Queiroz, Government Relations Coordinator, Sistema OCB
- Natália Carr, ESG Manager, Cooxupé
- Matheus Kfoury Marino, President of the Management Board, Coopercitrus