



**SHARP**

# Soy

## Paraná State, Brazil



Field work for soy farm risk assessment,  
Parana, Brazil

**Model:** Roundtable sustainability standard as Implementing Entity, aiming to transfer these responsibilities to local organisation.

**Key stakeholders:** Proforest Latam – SHARP Regional Focal Point.  
International roundtable sustainability standard.  
International conservation NGO.  
Local conservation NGO.  
Local cooperatives and associations of smallholders.

**No. of participating SHs:** 25

**Priority risks:** Legal compliance on use of pesticides.  
Non-use of Personal Protective Equipment.

**Priority farmer needs:** Ability to assess risk to HCVs when planning expansion.

**Change realised:** Demonstrated existing good practice on biodiversity, soil, air and water protection.  
Work plan agreed with SHs and potential partners for implementation of requirements of sustainability standard and to meet farmer training needs.

**Lessons and challenges:** SH were not organized as an entity that could take forward the RSS framework without outside support.  
Further progress towards certification requires a local organization prepared to act as 'group manager' and engagement with buyers of certified product.