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The Amazon is almost mythical: a green and vast world of water and forests, where the canopy of immense trees hide the humid birth, reproduction and death of more than a third of the species that live on Earth.

The numbers are equally monumental. The Amazon is the largest biome in Brazil: in a territory of 4,196,943 million km2 (IBGE, 2004), 2,500 species of trees grow (or one-third of all tropical wood in the world) and 30,000 species of plants (from 100 thousand from South America).

The Amazon basin is the largest river basin in the world: it covers about 6 million km2 and has 1,100 tributaries. Its main river, the Amazon, crosses the region to empty into the Atlantic Ocean, throwing about 175 million liters of water into the sea every second.

Estimates place the region as the largest reserve of tropical wood in the world. Its natural resources – which, in addition to wood, include huge stocks of rubber, nuts, fish and ores, for example – represent an abundant source of natural wealth. The region is also home to great cultural wealth, including traditional knowledge about the uses and ways to exploit these natural resources without depleting them or destroying the natural habitat.

All this grandeur does not hide the fragility of the local ecosystem. The forest lives on its own organic material, and its delicate balance is extremely sensitive to any interference. The damage caused by human action is often irreversible.

The biodiversity of the Amazon is surprising and, for this reason, it is under the eyes of the whole world. Many species that inhabit their ecosystems have not even been studied.

According to the World Wide Fund for Nature Brazil (WWF Brazil), about 40,000 plant species have been scientifically classified in the biome; 427, from mammals; 1294, of birds; 378, of reptiles; 427, from amphibians; approximately 3 thousand species of fish; and about 128,840 species of invertebrates.



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ARARA DA AMAZÔNIA CREDIT: AMAZON ON THE NETWORK.



TOUCAN CREDIT: SILENE ANDRADE



GREEN IGUANA CREDIT: DAL MARCONDES.



General data Scope: Brazil, Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Guyana, French Guiana, Peru, Suriname and Venezuela. Total area: approximately 6.9 million km2. Brazilian area: 4,196,943 million km2, according to IBGE. Brazilian states covered: Acre, Amapá, Amazonas, Pará, Roraima, Rondônia, Mato Grosso, Maranhão and Tocantins.





MATA ATLÂNTICA CREDIT: WONDERFUL AERIAL SHOTS



The state of Amazonas belongs to the North region of Brazil, being the largest in terms of territory, with a population of 4.2 million inhabitants. Its capital, Manaus, is the state's main city and urban agglomeration. The state has economic dynamics focused on the secondary and tertiary sectors, with emphasis on services and industry, which together add up to more than 80% of its GDP.

With a rich, diverse and dynamic geography, the state has the largest hydrographic network in the country, a humid tropical climate, the largest area of preserved Amazon Forest, rainfall throughout the year, and a wide area of fluvial relief, a factor that favors the navigation as a means of transport and distribution, the country's main transport infrastructure.

The IBGE also identified 65 indigenous groups in the state, which has the largest indigenous population in the country, totaling 168,680, according to the 2010 Census.

Amazon General Data

- North region
- Capital: Manaus
- Territorial area: 1,559,167,889 Km² (IBGE, 2019)
- Population: 4,207,714 (IBGE estimate, 2020)
- Population density: 2.23 inhabitants/km² (IBGE, 2010)
- Time zone: UTC 4
- Climate: equatorial

MANAUS A METROPOLIS IN THE TROPICS



AMAZON THEATER CREDIT: VINICÍUS FRANÇA, 2010



ZONA FRANCA DE MANAUS CREDIT: REPRODUCTION/CIEAM

The city of Manaus is the main economic, political and demographic center in Northern Brazil. It is located in the middle of the Amazon Forest, a biome of great biodiversity. It is the most important capital of the state and the main hub for trade and services in northern Brazil.

The development of the city culminated in the mixture of different peoples, such as Portuguese, Africans and indigenous people, who actively contributed to the cultural scene of the region.

The city went through two distinct economic cycles: the rubber one, between the 19th and 20th centuries; and that of industrialization, already in the second half of the 20th century.

COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE STATE OF AMAZONAS

On July 4, 1891, the Superior Court of Justice of the State of Amazonas was officially installed, the first name of the Court of Justice of Amazonas (TJAM).

Its jurisdiction covers the District of Manaus and sixty districts in the interior of the State.

The headquarters are in Manaus, where the second degree of the court of justice operates, in addition to administrative units.



AMAZONAS COURT OF JUSTICE ED. DIS. ARNOLDO PÉRES CREDIT: DISCLOSURE PORTAL MARCOS

26 Judges



175 1st Degree Judges



3.000 Servers 8 8⁻8

THE ESMAM SUPERIOR SCHOOL OF THE JUDICIARY



ADMIN CENTER DES. JOSE JESUS F. LOPES CREDIT: CHICO BATATA

The Amazonas Superior School of Magistrates (ESMAM) was created by Complementary Law No. 17, of January 23, 1997. It began its activities in 1999, with classes from the Preparatory course for the Career of the Magistrature, in a historic building located in the center of the city.

In 2013, with 17 years of existence, ESMAM gained new headquarters, the Administrative Center Judge José de Jesus Ferreira Lopes, attached to the Court of Justice of Amazonas. ESMAM's new physical structure and technical staff enabled a new educational reality that aims to expand skills, offering the judges technical subsidies that promote knowledge in the various humanistic areas, qualifying them for the improvement of institutional service.

IDENTIFYING AND OVERCOMING CHALLENGES

Bringing quality training to all magistrates in Amazonas is somewhat complex when compared to the territorial extension of the state. Despite being considered a small Court, it has one of the largest territorial extensions in Brazil. There are 61 host municipalities with a jurisdictional unit in a territorial extension greater than the areas of Germany, France, United Kingdom and Japan combined.

Enabling access to justice in municipalities so far from the capital means facing budgetary, structural, historical and geographic difficulties. Barriers are not limited to the extent of territory, the absence of roads and insufficient internet connection are also major challenges.

To overcome this difficulty, distance learning, with synchronous or asynchronous classes, proves to be a valuable tool. One of the solutions found is to form a partnership with state educational institutions that have better infrastructure, such as the State Department of Education (SEDUC), the Amazonas Education Media Center (CEMEAM) and the University of the State of Amazonas (UEA).

In some situations, therefore, the Court of Justice of the State of Amazonas carried out institutional cooperation for the transmission of classes to magistrates and civil servants in the interior, through the Media Center.

Such a measure, in addition to generating rationality of resources. made access to fundamental knowledge possible for judges and civil servants, with incalculable social benefits, However, the greatest beneficiaries of the continued training of magistrates are the iurisdictional ones themselves, which is a measure of access to justice in its material aspect. Even so, finding solutions to the difficulties presented is an ongoing challenge, which is overcome with creativity, research and partnerships.



SEDUC CREDIT MEDIA CENTER: CHICO BATATA

TRAINING ACTIONS

INITIAL TRAINING COURSES FOR MAGISTRATES - CFIM



Upon approval in a public tender, first-year magistrates participate in the Initial Training Course for New Magistrates, coordinated by the Superior School of Magistratura do Amazonas.

The course is mandatory for new judges and has a total of 480 hours/class, the contents of the course are inherent to the exercise of the function of a magistrate. The training offered seeks to contemplate the jurisdictional practice. Theoretical contents alone are not capable of faithfully reproducing the challenges that new magistrates will face in their careers.

In addition, as a rule in career development, new male and female judges begin their journeys in interior regions, dealing directly with people who do not have access to lawyers or public defenders, in addition to various social vulnerabilities. It is up to the new professional, therefore, to materialize access to justice efficiently. Maintaining an updated judiciary is, in reality, a right of jurisdictions and society in general, with obtaining a quality service in the administration of Justice.

TRAINING ACTIONS

IMPROVEMENT COURSES FOR LIFETIME

The approach of improvement courses for tenure must be focused on identifying the problems and challenges faced by the new judge, based on a specific diagnosis made by the school itself, as well as through interaction with the Court's internal affairs department, which is responsible for monitoring judges during their lifetime.

IMPROVEMENT COURSES FOR PROMOTION

The approach of improvement courses for promotion must focus on the magistrate's activity and always results from a specific diagnosis, which seeks to achieve the professional skills to be developed. The format of the courses can be on-site, distance or semi-presential, with a practical focus and use of case studies.



ESMAM'S CLASSROOM CREDIT: CHICO BATATA

POSTGRADUATE LATO SENSU AND STRICTO SENSU

The postgraduate educational actions aim to ensure highly specialized professional training, consistent with the universe of judicial work and to promote the development of magistrates' skills for the full fulfillment of their specific technical-legal function and their role as a political agent, for a performance guided by the ethical dimension.

Thus, it has been seeking, through partnerships, to offer postgraduate courses such as specialization, master's and doctorate degrees.



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TRAINING TRAINERS - FOFO



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The Training of Trainers course (FOFO), is focused at magistrates of the Court of Justice of Amazonas (TJAM) and members of other institutions of the Justice System, the course seeks the pedagogical qualification of teachers who work in Judicial and Magistracy Schools. It is carried out in partnership with the National School for Training and Improvement of Magistrates (Enfam), offering subsidies for teaching activities, considering the particularities of the target audience and the practical impact of learning activities on the daily life of the profession of judges.

EDUCATIONAL ACTIONS -ESMAM 2023



AUDITORIUM CREDIT: CHICO BATATA

ESMAM PROMOTES DEBATE ON LAW AND TECHNOLOGY

EDUCATIONAL ACTIONS -ESMAM 2023



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PEOPLE RECOGNITION SEMINAR



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TRAINING IN CUSTODY HEARING



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SEMINAR ON MORAL HARASSMENT, SEXUAL HARASSMENT AND DISCRIMINATION



GREAT HALL 2023

EDUCATIONAL ACTIONS -ESMAM 2023



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Educational events aimed at improving the preparation of magistrates for the new demands of society, allowing them to improve their skills and improve the necessary training required for the performance of the function, stimulating their continuous growth and development of technical, emotional and behavioral aspects.

In this way, Esmam has developed, simultaneously with educational actions, programs and projects that provide opportunities for a greater relationship between Justice and society and its causes, also enabling access by the academic community to courses and training offered by ESMAM.

ESMAM IN NUMBERS - 2023



COOPERATION AGREEMENTS

Seeking the execution of work programs, projects, courses and events of mutual interest, Esmam has signed technical cooperation agreements with various entities such as Universities, public bodies, institutions of social action and of interest to its target audience.



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LAUNCHING OF LITERARY WORKS

As a way of subsidizing the students of the School's courses and training, Esmam promotes and supports the launch of works, especially those of a legal nature, providing opportunities for the exhibition of works by local and even national authors and researchers, creating spaces for sharing knowledge and discussion of topics related to the exercise of law.



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PROJECTS

OPEN DOORS

The project aims to present the environments and roles of the judiciary so that students in the first periods of the law course can have the experience of empirically following the functioning of justice, thus, getting used to the spaces that will be part of their academic and professional journey.



PROJECTS AND PARTNERSHIPS

GENERATIONS PROJECT

The project aims to present the trajectory and challenges of magistrates during their period of active performance in the Amazonian judiciary. This project will also make it possible for them to acquire notions and basic knowledge of computing, computer operating systems (Windows/Microsoft) and communication, through an experimental class at SENAC – Servicio Nacional de Aprendizagem Comercial/AM, in partnership with TJAM.



SOCIO-EDUCATIONAL ACTIONS



Esmam, with the objective of encouraging the exercise of citizenship, inclusion and social development, promotes actions such as food collection, donations and actions aiming for social welfare.



As a way of allowing interaction and sharing of information, dissemination of courses, events and socioeducational actions, Esmam has been expanding its presence on social media.

