

RESERVAS PARTICULARES DO PATRIMÔNIO NATURAL

CHARTER OF PRINCIPLES OF THE NETWORK OF PRIVATE NATURAL HERITAGE RESERVES (RPPNs) OF CHAPADA DOS VEADEIROS

Participating in the Network is an opportunity to strengthen the Private Natural Heritage Reserves (RPPNs) of Chapada dos Veadeiros through integration among landowners and the development of supportive partnerships. The sharing of knowledge and experiences fosters mutual support, increases the visibility of the reserves, and promotes continuous technical improvement, as well as engagement in public policy.

Networking also enhances collective responses to the various challenges faced by RPPNs, such as climate change, wildfires, territorial threats, and management difficulties, reinforcing a sense of belonging, shared responsibility, and commitment to educational, spiritual, and sustainable actions. RPPNs are recognized as guardians of life and of the Cerrado biome.

Considering that Private Natural Heritage Reserves (RPPNs) are conservation units established under Law No. 9.985/2000, with the purpose of conserving nature in perpetuity;

Recalling that the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), together with biodiversity policies, provide essential guidance for respecting nature and adopting environmentally sustainable social and economic models—commitments undertaken by the governments of Brazil and the State of Goiás;

Recognizing the importance of coordination among landowners to strengthen biodiversity conservation, promote knowledge exchange, increase the visibility of RPPNs, and influence public policies;

The undersigned hereby agree to establish the Network of Private Natural Heritage Reserves (RPPNs) of Chapada dos Veadeiros, with no political-party or religious affiliation, with the mission to:

Act in an integrated and supportive manner to value, protect, ensure sustainability, strengthen management, and expand the number of RPPNs, promoting global environmental awareness, environmental and spiritual education, mutual support, and engagement with society—including youth, women, traditional communities (such as the Kalunga people), settlements, small rural producers, and public authorities—in defense of the Cerrado and of life.

CORE VALUES

The Network of RPPNs of Chapada dos Veadeiros is guided by values such as dialogue for conservation, global ecological awareness, and respect for biodiversity. It values connection with nature and collaborative solidarity among its members. It promotes peace, socio-environmental justice, and mutual support. It defends sustainable practices and the economic viability of RPPNs. The Network acts with ecological responsibility and commitment to present and future generations.

- Commitment to biodiversity conservation and the protection of ecosystems.
- Strengthening dialogues on conservation, spirituality, and civic engagement as drivers of regional transformation.
- Promoting solidarity, integration, and mutual support among members of the Network.
- Valuing economic and climate sustainability as the foundation for the long-term resilience of RPPNs.
- Recognizing the role of RPPNs as guardians of planetary life and of the Cerrado.

PRINCIPLES OF ACTION

The Network of RPPNs of Chapada dos Veadeiros is guided by principles of biodiversity conservation, sustainable management, and collaborative engagement. It promotes dialogue, mutual support, and integration among its members.

It is committed to respecting nature and promoting environmentally responsible socio-economic models, aligned with the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and biodiversity policies. The Network values a firm commitment to the protection of the Cerrado and to shared responsibility, acting with ethics, transparency, and a focus on conserving life on Earth.

- Promote biodiversity conservation as a management priority for RPPNs.
- Foster partnerships, dialogue, and collective action toward integrated and sustainable solutions.
- Share information, experiences, and technical support among members of the Network and with new RPPNs.
- Participate in councils and decision-making forums for environmental protection and public policy—especially within the Advisory Councils of conservation units in Chapada dos Veadeiros.
- Disseminate the mission of the Network through digital platforms, events, and local, regional, national, and international forums.
- Seek institutional representation and expand the presence of RPPNs in decision-making spaces.
- Organize and participate in in-person and online meetings to share achievements and challenges.
- Encourage the creation of new reserves to increase connectivity among conservation units and promote the establishment of ecological corridors.

COMMITMENTS OF MEMBERS

The strengthening of the Network depends on each member's commitment to actively participate in meetings and events, produce and share information aligned with the Network's mission, and support the creation of new RPPNs. It is also essential to monitor environmental public policies, participate in councils, and promote the visibility of the reserves. Encouraging new members,

maintaining dialogue with partner networks, and representing the Network in various spaces further strengthen this collective effort.

Each member voluntarily commits to:

- Participate or be represented in the Network's meetings and decision-making bodies;
- Contribute technical content, reports, and experiences for collective use;
- Support the Network's communication and coordination with institutions, forums, and councils;
- Contribute to addressing common challenges faced by RPPNs, such as environmental risks, management difficulties, and threats to ecological integrity;
- Promote inclusion, gender equity, and respect for diverse identities and knowledge;
- Encourage new memberships and strengthen the sense of belonging within the Network.

STRUCTURE OF THE NETWORK

General Assembly

Composed of all Network members, it is the highest decision-making body, responsible for electing the Coordination Committee and the Executive Secretariat.

The Assembly will define the Network's meeting calendar.

Coordination Committee

Composed of five RPPN owners, it handles urgent decisions and organizes Network processes in dialogue with members.

A general coordinator shall be appointed.

Executive Secretariat

Responsible for facilitating the Network's work, coordinating efforts, consolidating information, and proposing regulations or collaborative management tools.

FORMALIZATION AND MEMBERSHIP

At this initial stage, the Network will not have legal personality.

Membership will occur through the signing of the Commitment Term of Adherence to this Charter of Principles.

Member exclusion may occur by decision of the Assembly or upon a member's request.

Founding members who participated in the creation of the Network of RPPNs of Chapada dos Veadeiros in Alto Paraíso de Goiás on 08 August 2025.

Realization



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