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MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDER

For more than twelve years, our work has been driven by a simple observation: rural territories generate immense environmental, agricultural and social value, yet much of this value remains invisible to markets, institutions and investment. The **Tierras de Montana Observing Library** was created to address that challenge.

Rather than proposing another sustainability standard, we have designed an institutional architecture capable of connecting territorial observation, scientific evidence, industrial transformation and long-term partnerships within a single governance framework.

This **Constitutional Charter** is the Spirit of the Institution. It defines who we are, what we stand for, and the inviolable principles that guide every decision.

The **TDM Institutional Framework** (Volumes 0 to X) is the Law. It contains the operational rules, technical standards, and governance procedures that give effect to this Charter.

Among the standards we reference is **ISO 14064** – the internationally recognized framework for greenhouse gas quantification, reporting, and verification. It is a cornerstone for transparent and reliable GHG accounting, and it provides a solid foundation for measuring and verifying carbon removals. We do not claim it is perfect – no standard is – but it is the most widely accepted international benchmark, and we apply it with the rigor that territories deserve.

This Collection represents the result of years of field experience, dialogue with producers, public institutions, private companies, researchers and technical experts across Colombia and beyond. Its purpose is not merely to document how the Platform operates. Its purpose is to create a common institutional language enabling diverse stakeholders to cooperate with transparency, legal certainty and scientific integrity.

As technologies evolve and new partnerships emerge, the principles contained in this Charter are intended to remain stable, ensuring continuity while allowing innovation.

We sincerely hope this institutional Framework contributes to building trusted alliances that accelerate territorial development for future generations.

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Founder & Platform Operator

Tierras de Montana



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Transforming Lives, Restoring Ecosystems

TDM INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

INSTITUTIONAL GOVERNANCE LIBRARY – VOLUMES 0–X

The constitutional and operational architecture
of the Tierras de Montaña Platform
for regenerative territorial development.



CONSTITUTIONAL GOVERNANCE

Principles, mission
and governance

VOLUME 0–I



OBSERVING NET

Cognitive architecture
for continuous
learning

VOLUME II



FELLOWS & PARTNERS

A community of
institutions and
strategic partners

VOLUME III



POLICIES & STANDARDS

Operational rules,
standards and
protocols

VOLUME IV



STRATEGIC AGREEMENTS

Partnerships for
shared value
creation

VOLUME V



TERRITORIAL PROJECTS

Implementation
at the local
level

VOLUME VI



KNOWLEDGE & GUIDELINES

Guidelines, tools
and technical
resources

VOLUMES VII–VIII



TRAINING & CAPACITY

Building skills for
regenerative
futures

VOLUME IX



INSTITUTIONAL REGISCITY

Records, decisions
and institutional
memory

VOLUME X

ACCESS TO THE FRAMEWORK



As this document contains confidential, proprietary and strategic information,
access to the full TDM Institutional Framework (Volumes 0–X)
will be provided **UPON SIGNING A NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT (NDA).**



Thank you for supporting responsible governance and data protection.

REGENERATING TERRITORIES • EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES • BUILDING A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

ARTICLE 1 : OUR IDENTITY

1.1 Mission

To organize collaborative ecosystems that transform territorial knowledge into regenerative action.

1.2 Vision

A world where ecological regeneration, economic prosperity, and human development reinforce one another through cooperation and responsible governance.

1.3 Nature

We are an institutional platform. We do not replace governments, markets, or communities. We connect them. We provide the constitutional architecture that allows diverse actors to cooperate without being exploited by the strongest.

1.4 Permanence

The Institution is designed to outlive its founders, its projects, and its technologies. Its principles are permanent. Its methods evolve.

ARTICLE 2 : THE SEVEN CARDINAL PRINCIPLES

These principles are inviolable. They guide every decision, project, and partnership.

Principle	Meaning
1. Institution before Projects	Projects begin and end. The Institution remains. Every project serves the Institution, not the reverse.
2. One Source of Truth	Every concept has one authoritative location. No duplication. No confusion.
3. Scientific Integrity	Decisions rely on verifiable evidence, not opinion, ideology, or commercial pressure.
4. Technology Neutrality	Principles are stable. Technologies evolve. We govern principles, not tools.
5. Shared Governance	Responsibilities are explicit, transparent, and accountable. No hidden powers.
6. Learning Continuity	Every project strengthens institutional memory. We never start from zero.
7. Territorial Stewardship	Territories are living systems. They are observed, understood, and managed as such.

ARTICLE 3 : THE ARCHITECTURE (11 VOLUMES)

Our Institutional Framework is organised into 11 complementary Volumes. Together, they form a single, coherent system.

Volume	Title	Constitutional Function
0	Institutional Documentation Framework	Governs the documents themselves.
I	Constitutional Framework	Defines who we are and our supreme rules.
II	Observing Net	Defines how we learn from territories.
III	Membership Framework	Defines who belongs and their obligations.
IV	Policies & Standards	Defines technical and operational requirements.
V	Strategic Agreements	Defines institutional partnerships.
VI	Project Annexes	Defines territorial implementation.
VII	Knowledge Library	Preserves institutional memory.
VIII	Technical Guidelines	Provides operational procedures.
IX	Training & Capacity Building	Develops institutional competencies.
X	Institutional Registry	Preserves legal continuity and history.

ARTICLE 4 : THE OBSERVING NET (OUR COGNITIVE ENGINE)

We do not guess. We observe. We learn. We act.

4.1 The Perpetual Cycle

Observe → Understand → Decide → Implement → Measure → Learn → Improve → (Repeat)

4.2 Living System, Not Machine

The Observing Net is inspired by biological systems, not mechanical systems. It grows, adapts, learns, heals, and evolves. Knowledge generated by one project becomes intelligence available to all future projects. Every cycle strengthens the Institution.

ARTICLE 5 : OUR BINDING COMMITMENTS

We make the following binding commitments to every territory, community, and partner. These are not aspirations. They are constitutional obligations.

Commitment	Meaning
Protection	We shield territorial actors from exploitation by powerful commercial or political interests.
Transparency	Our governance processes are documented, traceable, and openly reviewable.
Integrity	We never double-count carbon, fake data, or prioritise profit over people and planet.
Long-Term Stewardship	We evaluate success not by quarterly results, but by the health of territories in 30, 50, and 100 years.
Scientific Rigour	Every claim is supported by verifiable evidence. No commercial pressure alters our methods.
Fair Benefit Sharing	Value created is equitably shared with communities and producers who generate it.

ARTICLE 6 : RELATIONSHIP WITH THE TDM INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK

6.1 Spirit and Law

This Charter is the **Spirit** of the Institution.

The **TDM Institutional Framework** (Volumes 0 to X) is the **Law**.

- This Charter defines *why* we exist.
- The Framework defines *how* we exist.

6.2 Supremacy of Spirit

In the event of ambiguity, silence, or conflict within the Framework, all interpretations shall be guided by the principles enshrined in this Charter. The Spirit prevails over the letter when the letter is silent.

6.3 Delegation of Procedure

This Charter contains no operational procedures. Every technical standard, governance rule, and operational procedure is delegated exclusively to the TDM Institutional Framework, which constitutes the sole binding reference for implementation.

6.4 Amendment

This Charter may be amended only by the Platform Operator. Any amendment shall be recorded in the Institutional Registry (Volume X).

CLOSING DECLARATION

We are not building an organization for today.

We are building an **institutional fortress** – a constitutional system designed to outlive its founders, resist predation, and serve generations of territories yet to come.

This Charter is our promise.

The Framework is our sword and shield.

Let the work begin.

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