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- An evaluation of the Status of Pollinators in Brazil was proposed by the National Agencies CNPq and Agribusiness Sectorial Fund
- Pollinators, biodiversity, sustainable use and conservation were the focus of this evaluation
- Suggestion of public policies for pollinators

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#### POLLINATORS IN BRAZIL

- The importance of pollinators in Brazilian Biomes, state of the art and perspectives for their conservation
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  - Taxonomic impediment in Brazil and speceis identification
- Pollination and Ecological Modeling
  - Construction of future scenarios for pollinators conservation in Brazil
  - Invasive pollinators: a case study of *Bombus terrestris* in South America



#### POLLINATORS IN BRAZIL

- Global Change and Solitary bees
- Global Change and stingless bees
- Monitoring bees
- Palynology as a tool for restoration
- Systems of Information and computer tools for research, education and outreach





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- Pollinators, public policies and proposals for strategies and development
  - Pollinators and Public Policies
  - Proposal for strategies for conservation and sustainable use of pollinators in Brazil

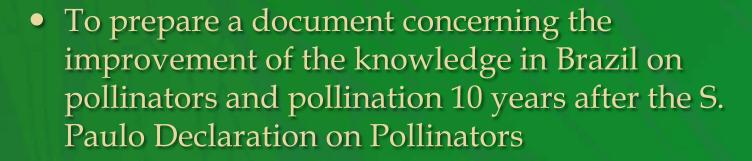
## Objectives



 To make a critical analysis of the several components of the International Pollinators Initiative concerning Brazilian development in this field

- To give support to the policies and public programmes related to pollinators and pollination
- To produce a representative document on the state of art of pollinators in Brazil in Portuguese

# Specific goals



- To suggest strategies and actions to attain the goals of the Sao Paulo Declations, under the new global externalities and challenges
- To suggest and support public policies and programmes concerning pollinators and pollination

# Methodology

- To develop the concerned issues by invited Brazilian specialists, that participated on preparatory meetings and received on line support and guidelines
- The groups prepared a chapter on their expertise folowing the guidelines received
- The SWOT analysis (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats) was applied to each issue developed
- The result was sent to coordinators, that used this information to construct the policies suggested in this document

## Results



• A support on line was prepared and will be available with the electronic publication of this document

- Concerning SWOT analysis, weak and strong points will be supported by specific actions proposed by this document
- Opportunities and threats are externalities to the project/programme that must be considered and monitored to improve the possibility of succesful actions to achieve our goals
- The project had 84 participants belonging to 42 Institutions

## Results



- The introduction of pollination services information in public policy provides an opportunity for governments to explore innovative technology and new concepts about ecosystem services.
- Planning pollinators use based in actual and future predictions of global change indicates the importance of improving ecosystem resilience and restoration
- A scientific community more committed with integrative projects concerning pollinators.

Chapter 5.2. Imperatriz-Fonseca et al. Proposta de Estratégia e Ações para a conservação e uso sustentável dos polinizadores no Brasil

## Biological collections in Brazil



- speciesLink is a distributed information system that integrates primary data from biological collections. The development was funded by <u>FAPESP</u>, <u>GBIF</u>, <u>JRS Foundation</u>, <u>MCT</u>, <u>CNPq</u>, <u>FINEP</u> and <u>CRIA</u>
- 11 collections of pollinator insects are digitized
- More than 200 thousands registers on line; 82% georeferenced

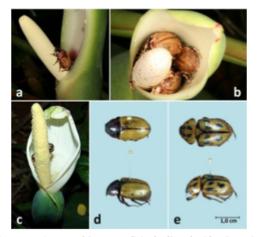


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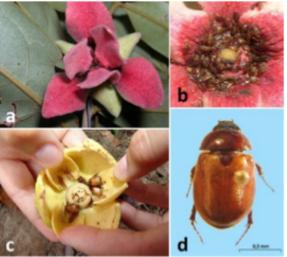


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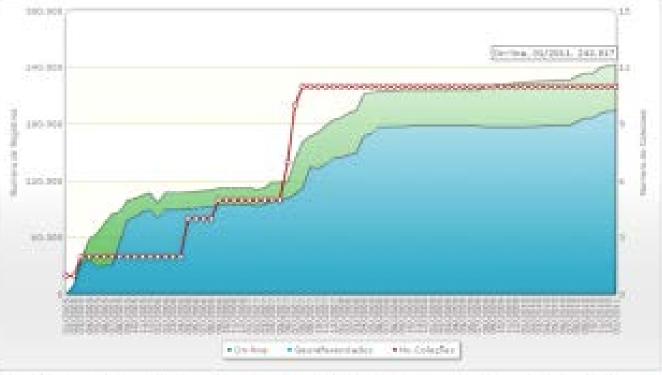




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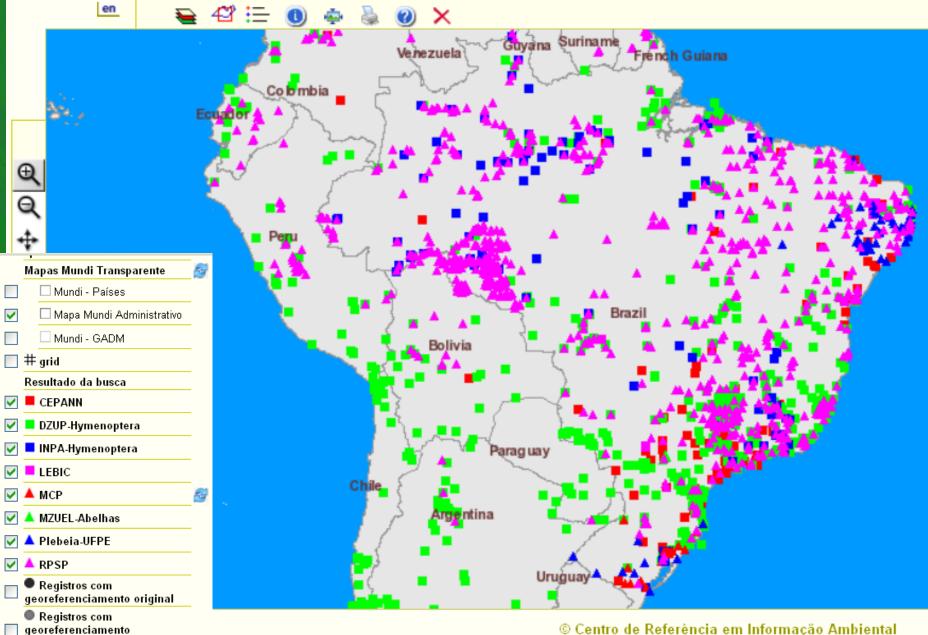


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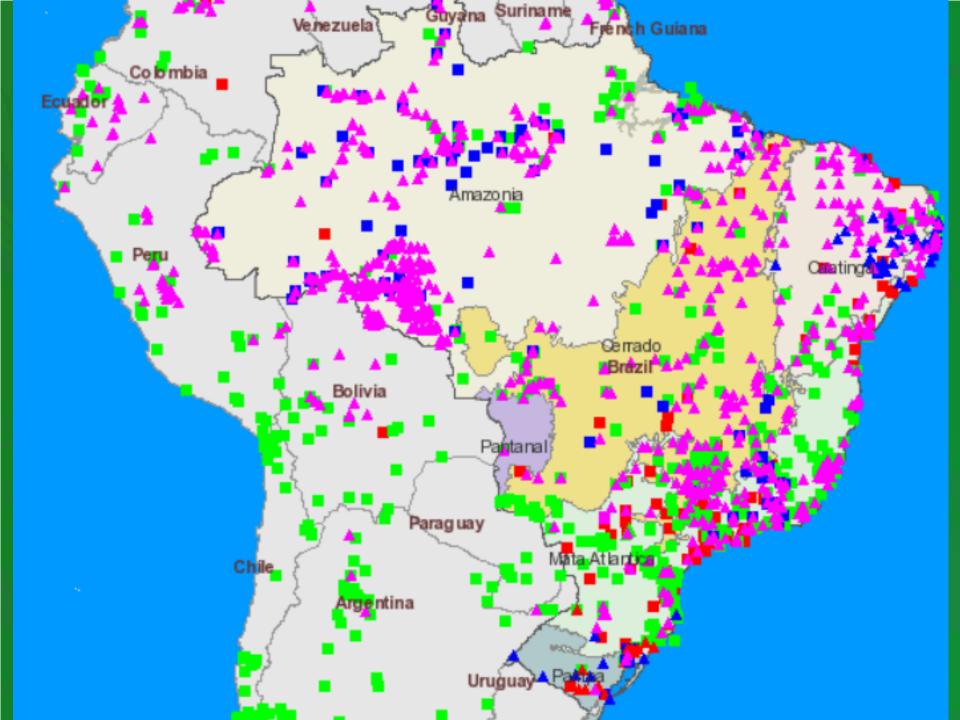
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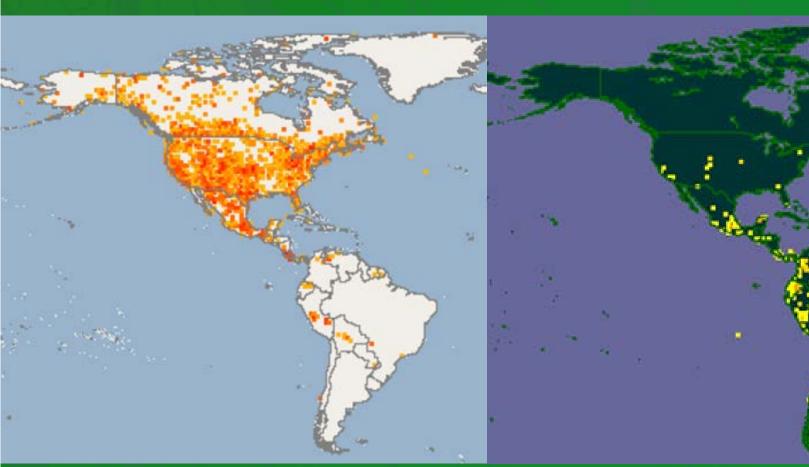
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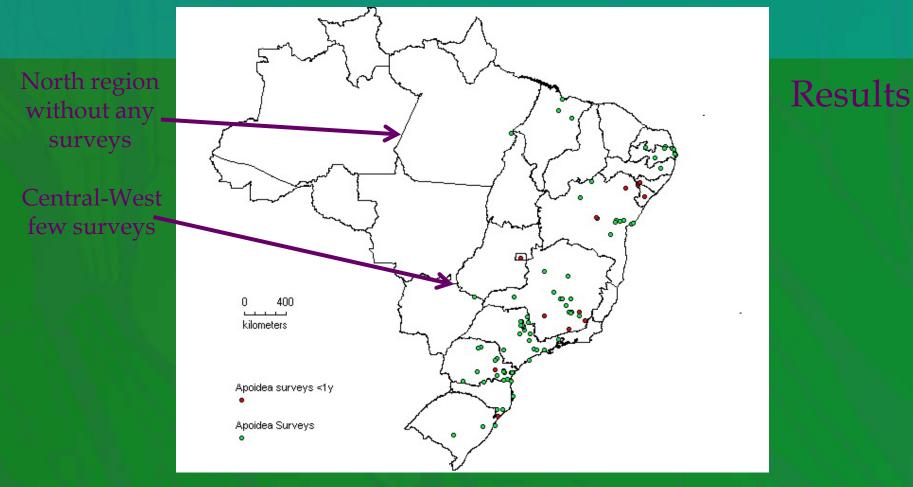


## Pollinators of the Americas Project Data Contribution



5 November 2006 ~90,000 specimens & Observations (Source: L. Speers, GBIF) 18 August 2009 281,037 specimens & observations (Source: IABIN PTN Portal)

# Evaluation of the status of the interactions between bees and plants



#### Apoidea surveys: 82 surveys: n=129 localities

Surveys lasting one year or more – 71 surveys: n=109 localities Surveys lasting less than one year – 11 surveys: n=20 localities

Methods for Assessing biodiversity and tracking distribution: Morphometry and Barcoding DNA



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Melipona beecheei 87.5% of the colonies correctly assigned to their geographic origin

Fast, unexpensive and reliable method for a previous identification, leaving the most costly molecular methods only for doubtful cases



# Biological collections and Genetics

- Consortium for the Barcode of Life (CBOL)
- DNA amplification from pin-mounted bumble bees (*Bombus*) in a museum collection: effects of fragment size and specimen age on successful PCR (James P. Strange, Joyce Knoblett, Terry Griswold, Apidologie 2009)
- Conservation needs information from genetics and molecular tools



# *B. terrestris* in South America

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### Modeling invasive species: Bombus terrestris.



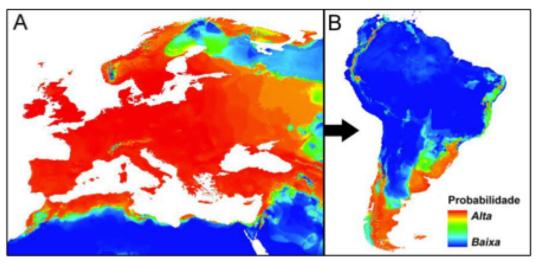
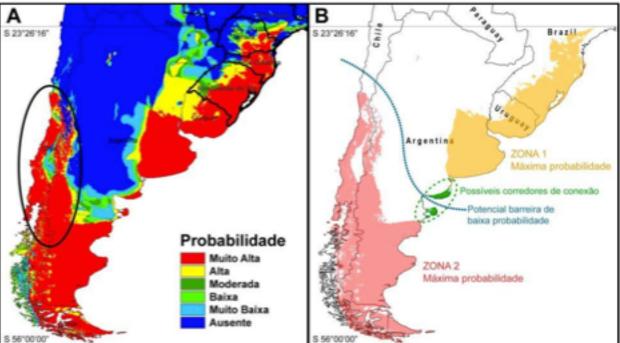
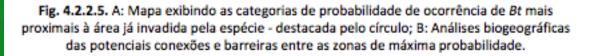
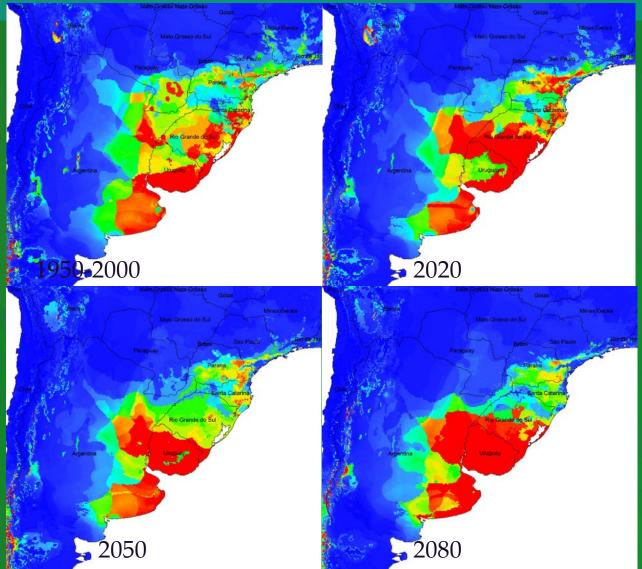


Fig. 4.2.2.4. Por meio da modelagem de máxima entrop bioclimáticas de Bt em sua área de ocorrência natur projetadas para a América do Sul (B), exibindo as área:





# Modeling the potential distribution



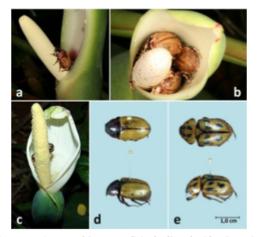


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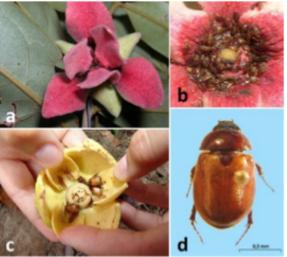


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