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The Regenerative Action Network

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From Practice to Policy, Across Landscapes

Purpose

The Regenerative Action Network is how Fundação Terra Agora connects **practice on the land** with **learning, coordination, and advocacy at system level**.

It links Guardians, Labs, institutions, researchers, and public actors to accelerate regeneration while informing better territorial policy.

This is not a lobby group.

It is a **field-grounded network** that turns lived experience into shared intelligence for Portugal's long-term ecological, social, and economic resilience.

What the Network Is

The Regenerative Action Network is a **distributed learning and coordination platform** connecting:

- Guardian Entities stewarding real landscapes
- Terra Agora Labs testing approaches in practice
- Researchers, practitioners, and facilitators
- Municipalities, public agencies, and aligned institutions

Together, the Network enables regeneration to be **tested, compared, improved, and translated** beyond individual projects.

Why the Network Matters

Portugal faces systemic challenges that cannot be solved plot by plot:

- Fragmented land ownership
- Ageing landholders and loss of rural population
- Soil degradation, water stress, and fire risk
- Policy tools designed for short cycles, not long horizons

The Network exists to:

- Learn faster from real landscapes
- Reduce risk by sharing what works (and what doesn't)
- Support Guardians beyond isolation
- Inform public strategy with grounded evidence

Regeneration becomes credible when it is **collective, observable, and cumulative**.



How Value Is Generated

1. Shared Learning Across Landscapes

The Network aggregates insights from multiple territories:

- Ecological recovery patterns
- Social and governance dynamics
- Economic models for regenerative livelihoods

This allows learning to travel **horizontally**, not just through reports.

2. Support for Guardians

Guardians are not left alone to “figure it out.”

The Network provides:

- Peer exchange and mentoring
- Access to specialised expertise
- Shared tools for monitoring and reflection

This strengthens long-term stewardship and reduces burnout and failure.

3. Evidence for Better Policy

Through Labs and Guardianship practice, the Network generates:

- Real-world data on land use, governance, and regeneration
- Insights into regulatory bottlenecks and enablers
- Tested alternatives to short-term or extractive models

This evidence supports **constructive engagement with public entities**.

Advocacy: From Practice to Policy

Advocacy within the Network is **evidence-based and non-partisan**.

Rather than starting with ideology, the Network:

- Observes what works in practice
- Documents constraints created by current regulation
- Identifies opportunities for improved frameworks

This enables Fundação Terra Agora and partners to:

- Engage municipalities, agencies, and ministries with credibility



- Recommend adjustments to land, water, forestry, and governance tools
- Contribute to national strategies for climate, biodiversity, and territorial cohesion

Advocacy here means **helping institutions succeed**, using grounded intelligence from the field.

What the Network Does Not Do

- It does not replace public authority
- It does not advocate for private interests
- It does not promote speculative or extractive models
- It does not impose a single solution across territories

Its role is **translation, learning, and alignment**, not control.

Governance & Integrity

The Network operates under Fundação Terra Agora's statutes and ethical framework:

- Clear separation between learning, funding, and decision-making
- Transparency in methods and outputs
- No capture by donors, projects, or political agendas

Insights may inform policy, but land protection and guardianship decisions remain independent.

Who the Network Is For

- Guardians and practitioners seeking shared learning
- Investors interested in system-level impact beyond projects
- Public institutions exploring durable territorial solutions
- Researchers and facilitators working at landscape scale

Participation deepens over time, based on contribution and alignment.

Why It Matters Long-Term

Regeneration will not scale through replication alone.

It scales through **coordination, trust, and shared intelligence**.

The Regenerative Action Network ensures that:

- Local practice informs national strategy
- Innovation remains grounded in responsibility
- Learning compounds across time and place

This is how regeneration becomes **durable, investable, and governable**.



Invitation

If you are interested in:

- Supporting system-level change
- Learning from real landscapes
- Contributing to better public frameworks

We invite a conversation.

Fundação Terra Agora

Connecting land, learning, and policy — in service of long-term care.

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