

Curitiba's Solo Criado — Transferable Development Rights for Forest & Green-Space Preservation

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Quality score: 33/100

Evidence strength: Observational / pre–post

Summary

Since the 1990s, Curitiba has let landowners who preserve forest remnants sell their unused building rights to developers elsewhere in the city — a transferable-credit mechanism formalised in Law 9,804/2000 that helped raise green space from under 1m² to 52m² per resident.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Carbon — sequestration / storage, evidenced	0/3
Biodiversity — conservation / improvement, evidenced	1/3
Water & soil — retention, infiltration, erosion control	1/3
Fire resilience — risk reduction, evidenced	0/3
Governance, certification & transferability	3/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-08-07

[Curitiba Municipal Government \(IPPUC / Municipal Secretariat of Environment\)](#) — accessed 2026-08-07

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