# FROM TRASH TO LUXURY









### **PROBLEM**

#### **Problem 1**

In Brazil, new regulation of basic sanitation is more demanding in relation to the correct disposal of sludge, which should make disposal in landfills more expensive - an option currently most used for these liabilities - encouraging other solutions;

#### Problem 2

The Manaus Industrial Pole - PIM produces about 5,000 tons per day. This number will increase considerably with the new regulation;

#### Solution

The application of sludge to obtain organomineral fertilizers and ecological bricks is a highly sustainable alternative.

# THE UTOPIA





## PRODUCT 1





Market with CAGR of 7.6%;

The Brazilian fertilizer industry's turnover was R\$ 7.1 billion in 2019;

The segment increased by 19.5%, with soybean and coffee crops being the largest consumers;

Sludge can be applied as a source of mineral, nitrogenous and phosphate compounds that are essential for plant growth and development.

## PRODUCT 2





Demand for sustainable bricks in Brazil has grown 150%;

The sludge replaces the clay and soil used in the manufacturing process;

It does not emit polluting gases, as it does not require burning in the manufacturing process;

More resistant bricks durable and at a lower cost.

It also provides a thermal and acoustic environment;

EcoBricks result in savings in materials such as wood, iron and concrete, as they do not require plastering and columns;





### INSTITUTION

Amazon Biotechnology Center CBA

Manaus - Amazonas - Brazil

### **AREA OF ACTUATION**

#### **DELIVERIES**

Development of a methodology for stabilizing solid waste to maintain the compounds of interest;

Characterization of sludge from different PIM treatment plants;

Development of organomineral fertilizer from sludge for application in different cultures;

Manufacture of ecological bricks replacing clay with sludge.

#### **FUTUTE ROADMAP - 2 YEARS**





Stabilizing solid waste (sludge) to maintain the compounds of interest;





Sludge's characterization;







Development of organomineral fertilizer and/or eco brik from sludge.

#### **BUDGET**



US\$ 395,000

Organomineral fertilizers

US\$ 238,000

**Eco Briks** 

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