CONSORTIUM FOR ADVANCING MONITORING OF ECOSYSTEM SUSTAINABILITY IN THE AMERICAS (CAMESA)

- Knowledge-based, non-legally binding forum;
  - Mission: further development and transfer of monitoring science and technology;
  - Action Area: support services for integration of monitoring and inventory research approaches and tools across national and continental scales;

- Members;
  - Government, non-governmental, academic and scientific community, private sector, foundations;
  - U.S., Mexico, Canada, Brasil, Chile, North American Free Trade Agreement-Commission on Environmental Cooperation; others pending

- Program:
  - design and implementation of interdisciplinary:
    - institutional networking mechanisms and relationships;
    - research and development projects;
    - user-designed and generated pilot studies;
    - short courses;
    - technical expert workshops, and
    - seminars, conferences, and symposia;
  - Special Focus Areas:
    - Geospatial Applications of Monitoring for Assessment; and
    - Networking Strategies for Effective Monitoring and Assessment Information Communication;

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- designed to lead to a spectrum of tangible monitoring science outcomes useful in addressing interdependent environmental, economic and social sustainability issues and opportunities;
  - sustainability synopses, assessments, and perspectives developed will be used by the monitoring science community worldwide;
  - trade show will further introduction of innovative, more reliable monitoring science tools;
  - seminars, short courses, scientific and technical poster displays designed to stand as vehicles for effective monitoring science education and technology transfer.
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