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RAINFOREST EXPEDITIONS RENEWS PARTNERSHIP WITH PERUVIAN INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY

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Rainforest Expeditions has announced that they will be renewing their successful partnership with the native community of Infierno for 11 more years in the Tambopata region of Peru.

Since establishing the partnership in 1996, the indigenous community has owned and co-managed Posada Amazonas lodge with the assistance of Rainforest Expeditions.

Local ownership ensures that the community benefits directly from tourism and enables local people to shape the kind of tourism they want to see into the future. It also empowers them to practice and share their cultural heritage with visitors.

At any given time, over 50 families are involved in operations, including lodge management, marketing, guiding and more.

They also participate in the Management Committee which is made up of 10 elected community members.

The partnership has also had a significant impact on the conservation of threatened species and habitats since 60% of profits from the Posada Amazonas Lodge are given back to the community in exchange for preserving the environment. One such example is how they have revived populations of endangered Giant Otters through the protection of the oxbow lakes.

This initiative has been recognised as one of the earliest examples of community-based eco-tourism through awards such as Conservation International's Ecotourism Excellence Award and Best Ecotourism Tour Operator Award for Condé Nast Traveler Magazine in 2000.

Both parties will continue to work together to provide unique Amazon experiences whilst conserving the environment and supporting local people. For more information contact lisa@uniquelatinamerica.com.au

IMAGE: Local guides, Posada Amazonas Lodge

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