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Giada's research project at the EUI is titled 'Rights of Nature and Indigenous Knowledge: a counter-hegemonic response to climate change?'. It aims at critically investigating the interrelation between Indigenous knowledge, Indigenous cosmovision and Rights of Nature in order to understand how such approaches are conceptualizing and responding to climate change and to the current environmental crisis. The project aims to do this by analysing examples of environmental conservation and climate governance in Indigenous and Community Conserved Areas where Nature is conceived as sacred and/or Rights of Nature are recognized.