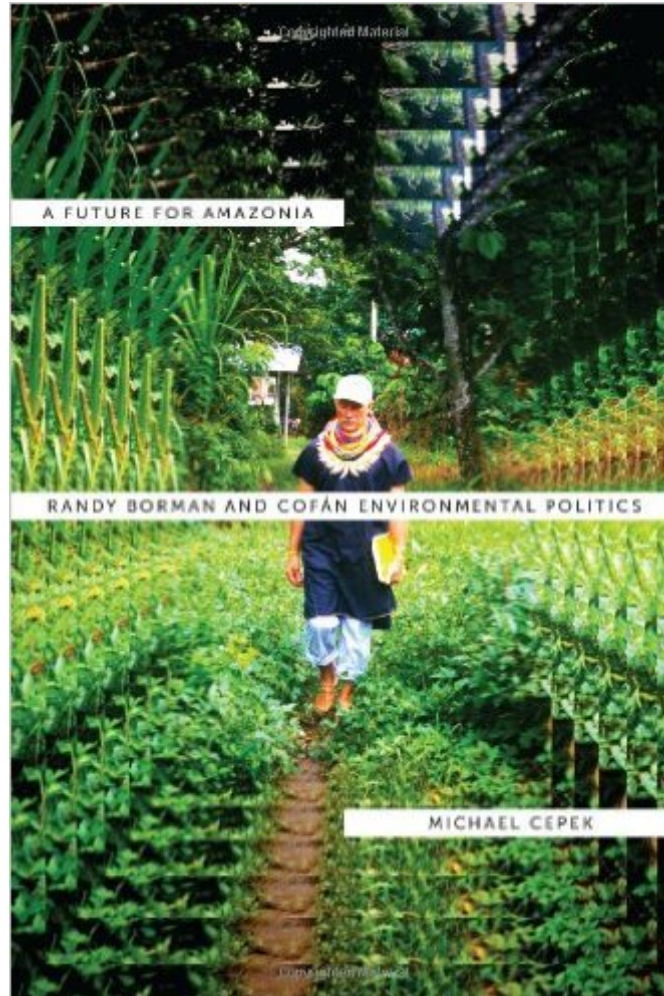


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# A Future For Ia: Randy Borman And CofÃn Environmental Politics



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