



United Nations Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management

Expert Group on Land Administration and Management

Expert Group Meeting, Delft, The Netherlands
14 & 15 March, 2017

Draft Provisional Annotated Agenda

Preamble

This two-day meeting of the UN-GGIM Expert Group on Land Administration and Management (UN-GGIM: EG-LAM) is hosted by the Government of The Netherlands through Kadaster International in cooperation with Delft University of Technology in Delft on March 14 & 15, 2017. This physical meeting is a working meeting where members of the Expert Group together with invited experts are expected to work together towards tangible outcomes and deliverables expected by the UN Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management.

The Delft Meeting is by invitation only and all current 27 members of the Expert Group comprising of expert representatives from UN member states, UN systems, multilateral and international organisations are invited to participate. The Government of The Netherlands and Kadaster International in cooperation with Delft University of Technology may also invite national, regional and international experts to this meeting.

This two-day meeting precede the workshop organised by the Global Land Tool Network (GLTN), the International Standardisation Organisation (ISO), the Open GeoSpatial Consortium(OGC), the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) and the International Federation of Surveyors (FIG) on 16th and 17th of March 2017. This workshop is supported by the World Bank.

The Delft Expert Group Meeting aims to discuss and consider:

- the development and use of and tools exploiting partnerships and innovative technologies to meet the demands for land and tenure data by the SDG global indicator framework;
- timely and reliable fit-for-purpose land and geospatial information including fundamental land data theme required for good land governance and effective land administration; and:
- providing an overview of the spatial distribution of tenures (with reference to the continuum of land rights) through visualisation of tenure systems and legitimate rights, both formal and informal, legal and extra-legal, to better inform and monitor status.



It should be noted that the following week, OCG will have its Technical and Planning Committee Meeting in Delft, The Netherlands. During this same week, from March 20th till March 24th, the 18th edition of the annual World Bank Land and Poverty Conference will be held in Washington D.C., USA. During this annual conference there is the opportunity to consult on appropriate globally acceptable standards, specifications and approaches that will serve the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its global indicator framework in the requisite follow-up and review and report on progress and evidence-based approach for responsible land governance.

Brief outline of the EGM

The two day meeting will be facilitated by the co-Chairs and focus on delivery the tangible outcome aligned with the current thrusts and focus of the Committee of Experts. The two day will be programmed into four primary sessions and within these primary sessions, there can be breakout sessions to allow participants to work together in addressing a particular issue.

It is acknowledged a number of issues that will be addressed during the Expert Group Meeting may require follow-on discussions and meetings and UN-GGIM Expert Group on Land Administration will be looking towards its members to voluntarily convene workshops and meetings to further address these issues.

Introduction

Hence the primary focus and output of this Expert Group Meeting, taking into cognizance the aims of this Expert Group Meeting, is to have a clear understanding and consensus for the development for a globally acceptable standards, specifications and approaches with respect to co-ordinated land data generation for –

- 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its global indicator framework; and
- evidence-based responsible land governance

taking into consideration current global understanding, concepts and consensus for good land governance including the voluntary guidelines for the responsible governance of tenure, the continuum of land rights and fit-for-purpose land administration. This current understanding and consensus also included the land administration domain model (ISO-19152) and a specialisation of this standard, the social tenure domain model and land governance assessment framework.

The Expert Group Meeting will consider all these achievements and progress and purposed to deliberate on the development of that needed global standards, specifications and approaches to ensure effective and efficient land governance through the delivery of integrated high-quality, accessible, timely and reliable land data to support, track and inform on progress in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda at all levels.



“Data will be one of the fundamental elements of the accountability framework for the SDGs. Having high-quality data, and using it to create information that can track progress, monitor the use of resources, and evaluate the impacts of policy and programmes on different groups, is a key ingredient in creating more mutually accountable and participatory structures to monitor the new goals”¹. In fact, data is also fundamental for evidence-based and informed decision-making as good data leads to good information, and good information provides good knowledge.

Having data that informs on the “what” and the “who” is good, such as “what” is being produced by “who”, “what” commodities are being traded by “who”, “what” volumes are being consumed by “who” or “what” is the level of poverty and “who” are the poor or “what” is the level of under nourishment and “who” are going to bed hungry each day. However, it is profoundly better if we are able to also know the “where” of the “who” in the “what”. The “where” unlocks the wealth of information about the “what” and the “who” allowing for evidence-based formulation of the “how”. Geospatial information including land and tenure information is data referenced to a place providing the “where” for evidence-based and informed decision-making.

The Sustainable Development Goals Report 2016 showed the importance of coordinated global data-generation efforts. The 2030 Agenda recognizes the need for new sources of data and information including exploiting geospatial information and earth observations that can unlock the wealth of information over space and time about people and society, place and environment, property and economy, leading to consistent and comparable data for systematic follow-up and progress reviews. Geospatial information and earth observations together with statistics are able to provide the integrative and enabling fabric across a number of national information systems in the provision of data and information for evidence-based policy and decision making for sustainable development.

It is important that the 17 Sustainable Development Goals and its 169 targets can be consistently tracked over long periods of time at varying scales, and that there is comparability. The location or place element of data, including statistical data, administrative data and land information will be a critical consideration. There is now emerging realization that implementing the 2030 Agenda, the measuring and monitoring of progress, will require new and large amounts of data. Increasingly, accessibility, availability and interoperability are key considerations for this integrative and enabling fabric to deliver the information needed from the many national information systems including that of the national or sub-national land information and management systems.

A globally agreed standards, specifications and approaches to deliver integrated high-quality, accessible, timely and reliable land data is now required.

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United Nations Independent Expert Advisory Group on a Data Revolution for Sustainable Development, Nov 2014, p20



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Tuesday, 14 March 2017

Morning 08:30 – 09:00 Arrivals and Registration

Session

08:30 a.m. – 09:00 – 10:00 Session 1-A

12:30 p.m.

Welcome, Introduction and Scene Setting

This segment will include formal welcome remarks, official address and introduction of participants

- *Welcome remarks from the co-Chairs*
 - Mr. Kees de Zeeuw, The Netherlands
 - Mr. Mahashe Chaka, Lesotho
- *Official welcome addresses*
 - Delft University of Technology
 - The Netherlands Cadastre, Land Registry and Mapping Agency
 - The Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Introduction of participants.

Group Photography

10:00 – 12:30 Session 1-B

Welcome, Introduction and Scene Setting

This segment will include general introductions and will outline the objectives, expected outcomes and deliverables as well as the “rules of engagement” of the EGM, presentations giving overviews to set the scene.

- *UN-GGIM: EG-LAM, EGM objectives, organisation of work and expectations*
 - Mr. Kees de Zeeuw, The Netherlands
- *UN-GGIM: EG-LAM Terms of Reference and Plan of Action*
 - Mr. Mahashe Chaka, Lesotho
- *Overviews and scene setting presentations on:*
 - Voluntary Guidelines for the Responsible Governance of Tenure
 - Continuum of Land Rights
 - Fit-for-Purpose Land Administration
 - Land Administration Domain Model (ISO 19152)
 - Social Tenure Domain Model
 - OGC Land Administration Domain Working Group
 - ISO TC-211
 - Land and tenure data for responsible land governance and 2030 Agenda: An overview
 - Guyana
 - Lesotho
 - Mexico
 - Spain
 - Suriname
 - Land and tenure data for responsible land governance and 2030 Agenda: An overview
 - Africa
 - Latin America



- Legacy data
- Role of 3-dimensional data – 3D Cadastre, Marine Cadastre
- National Tenure Atlas

Open Discussion

Afternoon 14:00 – 17:30
Session
 14:00 p.m. –
 17:30 p.m.

Session 2-A
Towards a globally agreed standards and specifications

This segment discusses needs and issues, opportunities and approaches for the development of a globally agreed standards and specifications for land administration that will serve the 2030 Agenda and evidence-based responsible land governance.

- *Co-ordinated global land data generation: data accessibility, availability and interoperability*
(tba)
- *Co-ordinated global land data generation: responsible land governance*
World Bank
- *Co-ordinated global land data generation: standards, specifications and approaches*
OGC Land Administration Domain Working Group

Breakout/Group work (*facilitated group work*)

Wednesday, 15 March 2017

Morning 08:30 – 09:00
Session
 08:30 a.m. – 09:00 – 12:30
 12:30 p.m.

Arrivals

Session 2-B
Towards a globally agreed standards and specifications

This segment discusses needs and issues, opportunities and approaches for the development of a globally agreed standards and specifications for land administration that will serve the 2030 Agenda and evidence-based responsible land governance.

- *2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its global indicator framework: Co-ordinated global data generation and data flow*
UNSD/GGIM Secretariat

Breakout/Group work (*facilitated group work*)

Afternoon 14:00 – 15:00
Session
 14:00 p.m. –
 17:30 p.m.

Session 3-A
Wrap-up, Plan of Action and Way Forward

The breakout group will report back during this segment

- Breakout Group #1
- Breakout Group #2

Open Discussion



15:00 – 17:00 Session 3-B
Wrap-up, Plan of Action and Way Forward

This penultimate segment seeks to review the outcomes, achieve consensus and formulate a way forward including –

- EGM summary, follow-on actions including “who, what and when”
- Review and revise the UN-GGIM: EG-LAM Plan of Action
- Consideration for reporting of EGM main outcomes to UN-GGIM at its seventh session and World Bank at its 18th Land and Poverty Conference
- Consideration for follow-on activities such as meetings and workshop in tandem with an existing event
- Consideration for next physical meeting of UN-GGIM: EG-LAM
- Statement on way forward

Open Discussion

17:00 – 17:30 Session 3-C
Closing

This final segment includes concluding and closing remarks by -

- UNSD/GGIM Secretariat
- Delft University of Technology
- UN-GGIM: EG-LAM co-Chair (Mahashe Chaka, Lesotho)
- UN-GGIM: EG-LAM co-Chair (Kees de Zeeuw, The Netherlands)

