UN GGIM LAUNCHES A GROUP OF EXPERTS ON LAND ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT

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“Land administration is the process of determining, recording and disseminating of information about ownership, value and use of land when implementing land management policies”.

LADM: ISO 19152
Benefits to be achieved

- Better information (location + rights) => better decision making
- Security of life (social and economic development)
- Contributing to good governance
- Towards a common understanding; a strong signal that cooperation between different communities benefits society
Issues and challenges

• Respecting the differences, embracing the similarities

• Political focus, awareness and understanding needed

• Governance, legal and policy frameworks

• Data management, technology use, institutional challenges

• Participation, working with future generations
Practices

• Visualise
• Speaking the language
• Using the existing tools
• Participation
• Flexible approach
• Affordable
UN GGIM: Integration of worlds
Leadership UN GGIM
Global context

Partnership, leadership & finance

Cases and best practices

Infrastructure (Governments, communities)

Tools (UN, Open Source, commercial)

Methods & guidelines: Fit for Purpose LA, VGGT

Standards (LADM/STDM)

Knowledge & experience
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UN-GGIM - Committee of Experts

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Working Groups
- WG 1: Geodetic Reference Frame for SD
  - Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information
  - Data Sharing & Integration for Disaster Management
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  - Data Integration
  - Standards and Technical Specifications
  - Regional Coordination and Cooperation
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  - Capacity and Capability Development

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Positioning geospatial information to address global challenges
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Objectives of UN-EG-LAM

• Play a leading role at the policy level by raising political awareness and highlighting the importance to decision makers of the need for timely and fit for purpose land administration and management and;

• Encourage the use of geospatial information tools and systems to improve the legal certainty of all citizens in the world with respect to the registration of the relation between people and land.
Conclusions

• In order to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals and to have legal certainty for all citizens in the world, good geospatial information management and sound land administration are considered important prerequisites. It is believed that the momentum is right for the challenging but feasible ambition to have land rights for the world.

• During the fifth Expert Meeting of UN-GGIM in 2015, the Committee of Experts endorsed the establishment of an Expert Group on Land Administration and Management (UN-EG-LAM). This Expert Group fits within the global setting, global agenda and global initiatives, and can play an important role in facilitating the needed leadership. UN-GGIM can do this by coordinating the cooperation between the United Nations Member States, and to link to other global initiatives and organisations, including academia, NGO’s and the private sector.

• The objective UN-EG-LAM is to play a leading role at the policy level by raising awareness and to encourage the use of geospatial information management for land administration purposes.