Effective Land administration: a Suriname experience

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Outline

- Land tenure, management and administration
- Rights - Restrictions - responsibility
- Issues and Actions
- Challenges
- Cooperation
Land tenure information

Land rights/Titles

- allodial ownership
- Absolute (freehold) ownership
- Leasehold
- Landlease
- Simple rent and use
- Concession rights
- Indigenous and Tribal rights (Suriname is in the process of recognizing these rights by law)
Landmanagement

Legal framework:
Constitution of the Republic of Suriname
Civil code
Land Reform Legislation (esp. Decree on principles od issuance of Domainland, Decree Issuance of Domainland)
Decree on landevaluation
Expropriation act
Urban Planning Law

Institutional framework
Institutions: Management Institute for Land registration and Infomation System Suriname (MI-GLIS), State owned Utility companies that own and manage networks of cables and pipes to the whole.
Landadministration

- Ministry of natural resources
- Ministry of Landpolicy & Forestry management
- MI-GLIS
Restriction, Rights en responsibilities

- The objectives driving the creation of property objects/ RRRs
- Actions regulated by RRRs
- Spacial extent
- Duration
- People impacted
Issues and Actions

Issues:
- Fragmented registry of landrights by different institutions
- Certain restrictions
- Landrights of Indigenous people and Tribal people have not yet been recognized, eventhough in some laws but in some laws there is a reference that these rights must be recognised.
- Lack of good boundaries

Actions: (What needs to be done):
- Integrated landadministration system
- Adapting Fela
Challenges

Against a background of local and global developments, the following challenges arise:

- Insufficient financial and/or technical means
- Suitable/ Capable employees
- Outdated or lack of Legislation/ Regulation in certain areas
Cooperation

In order to face the challenges cooperation is the key:

**Locally**: cooperation between ministries and institutions, as well as alignment of policy and actions.

**Internationally**: cooperation and transfer of knowledge between nations and organisations, e.g. this is where the role of UN-GGIM becomes evident.
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