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COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON  
GLOBAL GEOSPATIAL  
INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

## **INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON UNITED NATIONS GLOBAL GEOSPATIAL INFORMATION MANAGEMENT with the theme “Effective Land Administration”**

**Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Geografía (INEGI)  
Av. Héroe de Nacozari Sur #2301, Jardines del Parque, 20276 Aguascalientes, México  
8 – 9 April 2024**

### **Background**

Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) [resolution 2022/24](#), adopted on 22 July 2022, reiterated the importance of strengthening and enhancing the effectiveness of the United Nations Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management (UN-GGIM), particularly for the achievement of its operations focused on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the United Nations Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (UN-IGIF), to strengthen and ensure its continued effectiveness and benefits to all Member States. The resolution also updated and modernized the Committee’s Terms of Reference (as annexed to the [resolution](#)), being the subsidiary body of ECOSOC in charge of all matters related to geospatial information, geography, land administration and related topics.

The United Nations Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management at its tenth session, with [decision 10/107](#), welcomed and adopted the [Framework for Effective Land Administration](#) (FELA) and appreciated that FELA is fully aligned with the [United Nations Integrated Geospatial Information Framework](#) (UN-IGIF), whilst noting that transparent and secure land and property rights for all was a crucial component for an economically, socially and environmentally sustainable society. At its thirteenth session, the Committee of Experts with [decision 13/109](#), reiterated that FELA is an important element of the work of the Committee of Experts and provides a valuable step forward in assisting and guiding Member States when developing, reforming, strengthening and modernizing effective and efficient land administration.

Effective land administration is fit-for-purpose, appropriate and adequate, interoperable, sustainable, flexible, inclusive and able to accelerate efforts to document, record, recognize and monitor people-to-land relationships in all their forms. Effective land administration provides humanity with better access to and security of land and property rights and supports the principle of leaving no one behind – one of the commitments under the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Under the FELA, a plurality of tenure types, globally agreed concepts and approaches are covered, the use of applicable internationally agreed standards is promoted and the need to respect the inherent rights of indigenous peoples to their lands, territories and resources, as well as their traditions and customs, is recognized. Land administration relates people to land and provides information on the how, what, who, when and where of land tenure, land use, land value and land development. Land administration systems are the basis for recording the complex range of rights, restrictions and responsibilities related to people, places and policies.

The International Seminar on United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management with the theme “Effective land administration”, will provide an open forum for dialogue and deliberating key considerations leveraging the nine pathways of FELA to provide the reference and guidance for Member States to strengthen and enhance their land administration nationally or sub-nationally. The International Seminar seeks to share and exchange knowledge, information, and experience; facilitate peer-to-peer engagement and learning; interact and consider guidance, recommendations, standards and approaches towards effective land administration for the wellbeing of society, environment and economy.



The fifth meeting of the Expert Group on Land Administration and Management and International Seminar are hosted by the National Institute of Statistics and Geography (Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Geografía) of Mexico with the support of the Mexican Cadastre Institute (Instituto Mexicano de Catastro) (INMECA) and the Permanent Committee of Cadastre in Latin America (El Comité Permanente de Catastro en Iberoamérica) (CPCI).

## Provisional Annotated Agenda

Monday,  
8 April 2024

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**08:15 a.m. – 09:00 a.m.**

**Arrival and registration of participants**

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**09:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.**

### **Official Opening Session**

*The joint official opening session of the International Seminar on United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management with the theme “Effective Land Administration” and the Fifth meeting of the Expert Group on Land Administration and Management. The session includes a number of welcome remarks with an invited official opening statement and followed by an opening keynote address to “set-the-scene” for the week.*

#### **Welcome remarks**

- Mr. Claudio Martínez Topete  
Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Geografía (INEGI) México
- Mr. Ricardo López Rivera  
Mexican Cadastre Institute (INMECA)/Permanent Committee of Cadastre in Latin America (CPCI)
- Ms. Raffaella Anilio Olguín  
Co-Chair, Expert Group on Land Administration and Management/SNIT-IDE de Chile

#### **Official opening address and presentation**

*(The official opening address from the host government including a high-level presentation providing an overview of the administration of territories, land and maritime spaces in the host country) (The presentation will be of 12-15 minutes duration)*

- Ms. Paloma Merodio Gomez  
Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Geografía (INEGI) México

#### **Opening presentation**

*(A high-level presentation addressing the importance of the Framework for Effective Land Administration for improving and increasing access to land and tenure security for ALL) (The presentation will be of 12-15 minutes duration)*

- Ms. Regina Orvananos  
Land, Housing and Shelter Section, Urban Practices Branch, UN-Habitat
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**10:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

**Group Photograph and Break**

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**11:00 a.m. – 12:30 a.m.**

### **Session #1 – “Effective land administration”**

*Effective land administration is fit-for-purpose, appropriate and adequate, interoperable, sustainable, flexible, inclusive and able to accelerate efforts to document, record and recognize people-to-land relationships in all their forms. This segment discusses some perspectives on how effective land administration is providing humanity with better access to and security of land and property rights, addressing the rights of indigenous peoples to lands, territories and resources, and supports the principle of leaving no one behind. (Each presentation will be of 18-20 minutes duration allowing some time for moderated discussion)*



**Moderator:**

Ms. Raffaella Anilio Olguín, SNIT-IDE de Chile

**Presentations**

- Mr. Ricardo López Rivera  
Instituto Geográfico y Catastral del Estado de Quintana Roo (SEFIPLAN), México
  
- Mr. Victor Khoo  
Singapore Land Authority
  
- Mr. Martin Gingras  
Natural Resources Canada

**Moderated Discussion**

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**12: 30 p.m. – 13:30 p.m.**

**Break**

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**13:30 p.m. – 15:00 p.m.**

**Session #2 - “Implementing the Framework for Effective Land Administration”**

*The presenters in this segment will share information, experience, challenges and progress about various efforts and initiatives to realize effective land administration at the national or sub-national levels for the benefit of all. It will include ongoing efforts to reference and leverage the Framework for Effective Land Administration as a basis and mechanism to improve and strengthen land administration and management. This presenters may discuss the current practices including leveraging regional geospatial information management initiatives, efforts and arrangements to bring about more effective land administration at the country-level. (Each presentation will be of 18-20 minutes duration allowing some time for moderated discussion)*

**Moderator:**

Ms. Amalia Velasco Martin-Veras, Directorate General for Cadastre, Spain

**Presentations**

- Ms. Leandre Murrell-Forde  
The Lands and Survey Department, Barbados
  
- Ms. Raffaella Anilio Olguín  
SNIT-IDE de Chile, Ministerio de Bienes Nacionales
  
- Mr. Claudio Martínez Topete  
Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Geografía (INEGI) México

**Moderated Discussion**

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**15: 00 p.m. – 15:30 p.m.**

**Break**

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**15:30 p.m. – 17:00 p.m.**

**Session #3 - “Key elements for implementing the Framework for Effective Land Administration”**

*This segment discusses efforts to translate high-level concepts to practical guidance for use by Member States to leveraging the Framework for Effective Land Administration and its nine pathways. This also includes application of internationally agreed standards and globally agreed approaches as well as efforts to promote the value and visibility of effective and efficient land administration. The presenters may discuss the importance of capacity and capability development, continuous professional*

*development and training, strategic messaging and advocacy for effective land administration and management. (Each presentation will be of 18-20 minutes duration allowing some time for moderated discussion)*

**Moderator:**

Ms. Gabriela Garcia Seco, Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Geografía (INEGI)

**Presentations**

- Mr. Ridomil Alejandro Rojas Ferreyra  
Dirección Nacional de Mensuras Catastrales, Registro Inmobiliario, República Dominicana
- Mr. Markku Markkula  
National Land Survey of Finland
- Ms. Amalia Velasco Martin-Vares/Ms. Eva-Maria Unger/Mr. Rohan Bennett  
International Federation of Surveyors Commission 7 – Cadastre and Land Administration

**Moderated Discussion**

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**Tuesday,  
9 April 2024**

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**08:30 a.m. – 09:00 a.m.**  
**Arrival of participants**

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**09:00 a.m. – 10:30a.m.**

**Session #4 – “Integration of the Terrestrial, Maritime, Built and Cadastral domains”**

*The effective governance and management of a country’s ‘total’ space, the natural and built, will require the integration of data from the terrestrial, maritime, built and cadastral domains together with any other meaningful data for the needed evidence-based policy development and decision making. This session discusses the importance of and the challenges related to such efforts, including addressing the land-sea interface and its technical complexities. (Each presentation will be of 18-20 minutes duration allowing some time for moderated discussion)*

**Moderator:**

Mr. Kees de Zeeuw, Esri

**Presentations**

- Mr. Kean Huat Soon  
Singapore Land Authority
- Ms. Magdalena Andersson  
Lantmäteriet, Sweden
- Mr. Parry Oei/Mr. Kean Huat Soon/Mr. Trevor Taylor  
Maritime and Port Authority of Singapore/Singapore Land Authority/Open Geospatial Consortium

**Moderated Discussion**

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**10.30 a.m. – 11.00 a.m.**  
**Break**

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**11:00 a.m. – 12:30 a.m.**

**Session #5 – “Merits and benefits of effective land administration”**

*This segment addresses issues including the importance of promoting the merits and benefits of effective land administration with continuing advocacy, communication and engagement. Additional issues include diversity, equity and inclusion; the rights, restrictions and responsibilities associated with land; access to and security of vital land information; and the need to look into integrating information on land tenure, land value, land development, and land use. This segment also considers the merits and benefits of effective land administration and accelerating the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals, address climate-related challenges and improve resilience. (Each presentation will be of 18-20 minutes duration allowing some time for moderated discussion)*

**Moderator:**

Mr. Victor Khoo, Singapore Land Authority

**Presentations**

- Ms. Adriana Andrade Mozo & Mr. Omar Eudoxio Coyopol Solis  
Municipality of Puebla, México
  
- Ms. Amalia Velasco Martin-Veras  
Directorate General for Cadastre, Spain
  
- Ms. Paula Dijkstra  
Kadaster International, The Netherlands

**Moderated Discussion**

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**12: 30 p.m. – 13:30 p.m.**

**Break**

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**13:30 p.m. – 15:00 p.m.**

**Session #6 – “Partnerships and innovations for effective land administration”**

*Partnerships and innovations can promote, provide and progress effective land administration with participatory and innovative approaches and the use of appropriate and affordable technologies and techniques that recognize common needs, aspirations and goals, towards achieving national development priorities and outcomes. Capacity and capability development is integral to sustain the value and deliver the benefits of effective land administration, the value and benefits that must also be continually advocated and communicated. This session discusses the partnerships and innovation to improve the value, visibility and to sustain the benefits of effective land administration (Each presentation will be of 18-20 minutes duration allowing some time for moderated discussion).*

**Moderator:**

Ms. Esmeralda Díaz Lago, Directorate General for Cadastre, Spain

**Presentations**

- Ms. Regina Orvananos  
Global Land Tool Network, Land, Housing and Shelter Section, Urban Practices Branch, UN-Habitat
  
- Mr. Peter Creuzer  
Landesamt für Geoinformation und Landesvermessung Niedersachsen (LGLN). Germany
  
- Mr. Kees de Zeeuw  
Esri

**Moderated Discussion**

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**15: 00 p.m. – 15:30 p.m.**  
**Break**

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**15:30 p.m. – 16:30 p.m.**  
**Closing session**

*The closing session will bring together the co-Chairs of the Expert Group on Land Administration and Management and representatives of partnering/supporting organizations to bring the International Seminar to a close with some observations and closing remarks.*

**Closing observations**

- Mr. Claudio Martínez Topete  
Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Geografía (INEGI) México
- Mr. Ricardo López Rivera  
Mexican Cadastre Institute/Permanent Committee of Cadastre in Latin America (CPCI)
- Ms. Raffaella Anilio Olguín  
Co-Chair, Expert Group on Land Administration and Management/SNIT-IDE de Chile
- Mr. Victor Khoo  
Co-Chair, Expert Group on Land Administration and Management/Singapore Land Authority

**Closing remarks**

- Mr. Luis Gerardo Esparza Rios  
Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Geografía (INEGI) México

(3 April 2024)

