Global Donor Working Group on Land

Mission statement

The Global Donor Working Group on Land will strengthen land governance in line with the VGGT for all members of society, especially women and vulnerable groups, contributing to sustainable development and poverty eradication. Our collective efforts will be achieved through advocacy, information exchange, and coordination.

Work Plan 2017-2018   *Last update: 27 April 2018*

About "Type of activity": a) joint action by all members; b) multi-member priorities (not everyone is expected to engage); c) bilateral activities (essentially for info sharing)

Area of intervention	Outputs/objectives	Activities	Time frame	Responsible / Lead	Other group members	Comments / Open issues
1. Exchange and sharing of land related information	• To leverage global knowledge to enable all of us to take better informed decisions	• Continuously update the Land Map **Type: joint action** • Organize side events and physical meetings (decide on topic for the next WB Land Conf. donor session etc.) **Type: joint action** • Exchange of lessons learnt, good practices, new tools, new	continuously	all		

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		publications, research results etc., incl. topics such as: • RAI-UP Group (BMEL, SDC) • USAID to share info on investors' analysis • Domestic investments (EC etc.) • Arab states conference (Romy to share announcement) • AU Land Conference in November 2017 Type: bilateral activity				
2. Supporting the realization of SDG indicator 1.4.2	• Obtain Tier 1 Status by 2019	• Resources: Mobilize resources to support reclassification in coordination with the data custodians **Type: joint action** • Resources: Identify gaps on what is really needed **Type: joint action**	1 year	Custodian agencies and their friends	FAO MoFA-France	To do: email clarifying next steps to kick off gap analysis & resource mobilization (Custodians + Friends)
		• Advocacy : Engage with key constituencies and develop global messaging/talking points to support reclassification of SDG 1.4.2 and 5.a.1 **Type: joint action**	1 year			The activities should be aligned to and complementary to the work plan of the custodians

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		• Capacity Building: Support country counterparts to adopt and provide data for SDG 1.4.2 and 5.a.1 via a) ensuring land information system reporting; and b) adopting of questions within project and country surveys (ag/land/household) **Type: joint action**	1 year			
3. Responsible large scale land-based investments	• To get our own houses in order • To widen the focus to include domestic investments	• Conduct a gap analysis of DFI standards Type: multi-member priority	1 year	DFID, BMZ		Study by the German Institute for Human Rights might be comparable
		• Take stock of responsible investment initiatives Type: multi-member priority	1 year	USAID, BMEL		What would be the outcome of this stock-taking?
4. Land, conflict, forced displacement and migration	• To have a better understanding of a) how land tenure / tenure governance contributes to or alleviates root causes of forced displacement and migration, b) the role of responsible governance of tenure in post-conflict situations	• Prepare a preliminary survey on the land situation in Syria Type: multi-member priority	1 year	BMZ (GIZ) UN-Habitat	WB, FAO	
		• Support and engage with the Arab Land Governance Conference. Potential support: side event, presentation, facilitate participation of experts Type: multi-member priority	Feb. 2018	BMZ (GIZ) UN-Habitat MoFA-France USAID		

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	• To have a high level statement recognising the importance of land governance for preventing conflict and migration	• Share information and best practice on how to integrate land governance into debates around peace and conflict as well as migration; share evidence on the nexus. Type: bilateral activity	2 years	BMZ (GIZ) UN-Habitat MoFA-France		
5. Urban land governance	• To raise awareness on urban land governance	• Develop a contribution to the world urban forum, e.g. side event, position paper, representation **Type: joint action**	2 years	UN-Habitat World Bank USAID		
		• Build evidence on the urban-rural linkages (policy brief, information sharing) **Type: joint action**				
		• Disseminate land issues in the New Urban Agenda Type: multi-member priority				An example is the support to the World Urban Forum
		• Reaching a common understanding and organizing an event on urban land governance (to build Group members' capacity), e.g. a webinar **Type: joint action**				

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6. Country level coordination	• To align what we do	• Map out the national donor coordination groups and do an overlap with emerging projects Type: multi-member priority • GDWGL portfolio review to provide overview of where the gaps are (DFID) Type: multi-member priority • WB to share list of upcoming / potential new land programmes as an avenue for coordination and cooperation in these countries with capacities and programmes supported by other donors Type: multi-member priority	1 year	EU, WB (2x) DFID	BMZ	Joachim to follow up with Romy
		• Dissemination of information on existing training / capacity development facilities in Africa Type: bilateral activity • Analysis of capacity on the ground and how to move forward to implement the first activity Type: multi-member priority	1 year	BMZ/GIZ FAO/WB	FAO	Opinions diverge if the first activity should include "exploring ways to incorporate the FAO Technical Guides" Concerning the second activity: What are the resources for this?

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		• Analysis of CAADP National Investment Plans – identifying the relevant land components Type: multi-member priority • Link up with donor coordination at the country level on demand Type: multi-member priority	2 years	BMZ/GIZ, WB		
7. Leveraging experience	• To identify good practices	• Mapping and improving coordination of current and future evaluations by donors **Type: joint action**	Continuously	MCC		Romy – to develop TOR for web-developer and include evaluation reports in the Land Map Should coordinate on maintaining control groups when multidonors active; share questionnaires so leverage/comparable
		• Identify priority research questions and best practices in conducting evaluation **Type: joint action**	1 year with dissemination 2 years			IFAD/GLTN/MCC/WB guidelines and theory of change completed (includes highlighting of evidence and research gaps) with roundtable and presentation at WB Land Conf 2018
		• Develop a better framework for building and sharing evidence (especially gaps) and lessons learned for future land	1 year for framew ork and			In discussion. Land evaluation multi-stakeholder group to meet regularly to share best practices on

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		interventions (e.g. include evaluation reports in the Land Map; other ideas?) **Type: joint action**	continuously share evidence			evaluation and results/impacts; peer reviews; website - Land portal or GDWGL?