



THEMATIC SESSION ON LAND GOVERNANCE



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Eva Hershaw is a land data and indicators specialist, currently serving as the global lead for land monitoring and data at the International Land Coalition, where she coordinates data collection, analysis and use of people's data for accountability through the LANDex tool. As part of her work at ILC, Eva is a co-chair of the Alliance for Land, Indigenous and Environmental Defenders (ALLIED) and co-leads the ALLIED Data Working Group. She was trained as a geographer and journalist with a focus on Latin America and holds two master's degrees. Prior to her work with ILC, she was a visiting Fulbright researcher at the University of Brasilia.



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