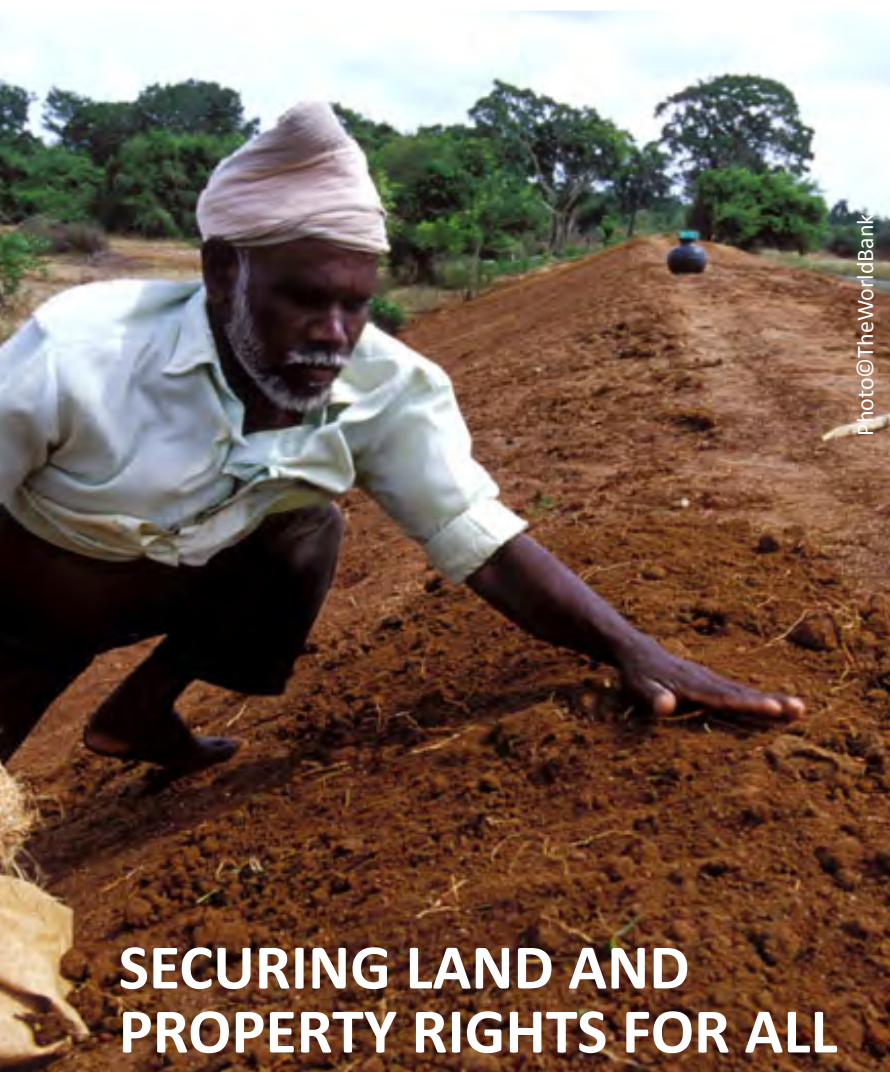




GLTN
GLOBAL LAND TOOL NETWORK

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SECURING LAND AND PROPERTY RIGHTS FOR ALL

THE NETWORK



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WHO WE ARE

The Global Land Tool Network (GLTN) is an alliance of global, regional and national partners contributing to poverty alleviation through land reform, improved land management and security of tenure, particularly through the development and dissemination of pro-poor and gender-responsive land tools.

The Network builds on a shared understanding that delivering secure tenure to all requires the development and implementation of land tools that are pro-poor, gender responsive and scalable. Partnership, knowledge development, awareness building and capacity development are key aspects of the Network's way of working and to country level engagement.

THE GLOBAL LAND CHALLENGE

Secure land and property rights are fundamental to shelter and livelihoods and for the realization of human rights, peace, poverty reduction, food security, economic prosperity and sustainable development. Yet, in many countries around the world, widespread and pervasive land tenure insecurity scars life and inhibits equitable, sustainable development in both rural and urban areas. This has profound negative consequences for millions of people and creates enormous challenges – and opportunities – for governments, inhabitants and the many agencies and bodies involved in land, poverty alleviation, food security and development.

GLTN VISION AND OBJECTIVES

The Global Land Tool Network was launched in 2006 in response to the above challenges and opportunities. The Network aims to improve global coordination on land, to strengthen existing land networks and to improve the level and dissemination of knowledge on land tenure. GLTN's vision is to provide appropriate land tools at global and country level to implement pro-poor land policies and land reforms. Its mission is to assist national governments to implement land policies that are pro-poor, responsive to the needs of women, men and the youth, and at scale. The Network advocates

a continuum of land rights that acknowledges a spectrum of tenure forms as appropriate and legitimate, rather than focusing on formal land titling as the preferred or best form.

GLTN's long-term goal is to contribute to poverty reduction and sustainable development through promoting secure land and property rights for all. During its current phase of operations (2012-2017), GLTN aims to improve capacity of international partner organizations and related land programmes in countries, cities and municipalities better able to improve tenure security of the urban and rural poor.

HOW GLTN WORKS

It will do this by promoting and supporting the adoption and implementation of land policies, tools and approaches that are pro-poor, gender appropriate, effective and sustainable. Land issues are notoriously complex and involve extensive vested interests. To design, test and implement pro-poor, gender responsive land tools that can be used at scale requires inputs from various disciplines, professions and stakeholder groups. One aspect of GLTN's success has been its ability to integrate these various inputs and put together multi-disciplinary teams; another is its ability to scale up by working with and through partners to maximize their contribution. The Network now has 70 partners – global stakeholders who contribute with substantial knowledge or financial resources.

THE GLTN THEMATIC AREAS OF WORK

GLTN partners identified a set of priority tools and approaches that are crucial to achieve tenure security for all. These tools and approaches are grouped into five thematic areas:

1. access to land and tenure security,
2. land administration and information,
3. land-based financing,
4. land management and planning, and
5. land policy and legislation.

GLTN is also very active on a range of cross-cutting themes that includes: governance, gender, youth, grassroots, Islamic land tenure mechanisms, post-disaster and post-conflict, environment, indicators and human rights.

THE PARTNERS

BILATERAL ORGANISATIONS

- Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- GIZ (German International Cooperation) GmbH
- Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC)
- Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida)
- Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)

INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL BODIES

- Arab Union of Surveyors (AUS)
- Commonwealth Association of Surveying and Land Economy (CASLE)
- Fédération des Géomètres Francophones (FGF)
- International Federation of Surveyors (FIG)
- International Union for Land Value Taxation and Free Trade (IU)
- International Union of Notaries (UINL)
- Kadaster International
- Lantmäteriet (National Land Survey of Sweden)
- Open Source Geospatial Foundation (OSGeo)
- Regional Centre for Mapping of Resources for Development (RCMRD)
- Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS)
- Statens Kartverk (Norwegian Mapping Authority, Cadastre and Land Registry)

INTERNATIONAL TRAINING/ RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS

- Aalborg University
- African Institute for Strategic Research Governance and Development (AISRGD)
- Association of African Planning Schools (AAPS)
- Centre for Land Tenure Studies (CLTS)
- Comité technique foncier- Développement (CTFD)
- Eastern Africa Land Administration Network (EALAN)
- Institute for Housing and Urban Development Studies (IHS)
- Institute for International Urban Development (I2UD)
- International Alliance on Land Tenure and Administration (IALTA)
- Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies (IASS)
- International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED)
- International Institute of Rural Reconstruction (IIRR)
- International Islamic University Malaysia
- (IIUM)
- International Research Group on Law and Urban Space (IRGLUS)
- IS Academy on Land Governance for Equitable and Sustainable Development (LANDac)
- Landesa
- Les Afriques dans le Monde (LAM)
- Lincoln Institute of Land Policy
- Network-Association of European Researchers on Urbanisation in the South (N-AERUS)
- RMIT University
- Technical University Munich (TUM)
- Terra Institute
- University of East London (UEL)
- University of Florida (UF)
- University of Twente, Faculty of Geo-Information Science and Earth Observation (ITC)
- University of West Indies (UWI)
- Urban LandMark
- Urban Training and Studies Institute (UTI)

MULTILATERAL ORGANISATIONS

- Cities Alliance
- Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
- International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)
- United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)
- United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA)
- United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women)
- United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
- World Bank Group
- United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia Pacific (UNESCAP)

RURAL/ URBAN INTERNATIONAL CIVIL SOCIETIES

- ActionAid International
- Alliance for Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA)
- Asian Coalition for Housing Rights (ACHR)
- Asian NGO Coalition for Agrarian Reform and Rural Development (ANGOC)
- Federation of Women Lawyers (FIDA)
- Groupe de recherche et d'échanges technologiques (GRET)
- Habitat for Humanity International
- Habitat International Coalition (HIC) - Housing and Land Rights Network
- Huairou Commission
- International Land Coalition (ILC)
- Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC)
- Oxfam International
- Slum/Shack Dwellers International (SDI)
- World Vision International

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