Implementing the Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure in Small Island Developing States

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Implementing the Voluntary Guidelines – the initiating process

2011 - 2012
July, October, March

Multi-stakeholder negotiations

11 May 2012
Endorsement
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Examples from around the world
Who can use the VGGT?

- Administrators
- Investors
- Communities
- Professionals
- Civil society
- Academia
- Government agencies
- Universities
- Professionals
- Policy makers
- Courts

A useful tool for all stakeholder groups
VGGT as a National Tool

Assess reality on the ground
Assess legal / policy / institutional framework
Design / revise policies and laws
Build capacity for implementation

Recognize and respect
Safeguard and protect against threats
Provide access to justice
Prevent disputes, conflicts and corruption

Open inclusive discussion on what rights are legitimate

VGGT IMPLEMENTATION

IMPROVED TENURE GOVERNANCE

States - Government Agencies - Civil Society - Private Sector - Academia
Entry points for FAO

- Invitation from government – key importance of political will
- Resourcing the request - depends on scale, type of request, etc
1. Multi-stakeholder Platform Dialogue

- In 15 countries worldwide
- Senegal, multistakeholder working group on land
- Mongolia new pastoral law
2. Capacity development
# Capacity development

## Series of technical guides

### Available/Forthcoming

1. Gender (EN/FR/SP)
2. Governance of Forest Tenure (EN/FR/SP)
3. FPIC (EN/FR/SP)
4. Agricultural Investments
5. Governance of Small-Scale Fisheries Tenure
6. Private Sector
7. Legal Implications

### Underway

8. Tenure of Commons
9. Pastoralism & Rangelands
10. Enabling Technologies
11. Registration
12. Valuation
Safeguarding land tenure rights in the context of agricultural investment

A technical guide on safeguarding land tenure rights in line with the Voluntary Guidelines for the Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forests in the Context of National Food Security, for government authorities involved in the promotion, approval and monitoring of agricultural investments.

Responsible governance of tenure: a technical guide for investors

Responsible governance of tenure and the law: A technical guide for lawyers and other legal service providers

Capacity development programmes

Thematic training:
• Gender
• Civil society
• Indigenous peoples

E-learning

Peoples' Manual for Promoting, Monitoring, Implementing and Evaluating the VGGT
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Available in English, French and Spanish with Arabic (DFID) to follow.
Comprehensive VGGT Learning Programmes covering the topics from the e-learning curriculum.

Each learning programme includes 4 main components in each country:

- Learning needs assessment
- Online collaborative workshop
- Face 2 face workshop
- Post-workshop online mentoring

Theme-based learning programmes on the thematic guides on Gender and Agricultural Investment.

Mongolia, Nepal, Liberia/Sierra Leone, and Ethiopia

Mongolia, Liberia/Sierra Leone, South Africa and Uganda
3. Support for major project activities:

- Transversal support
- Regional and country levels
Assessment tools

• Assessment tool on investment in Mali (FIAN)

• Forest tenure governance assessment framework (Mongolia, Vietnam, Uganda, Sierra Leone)
Planning and revising legal and policy frameworks

- Sierra Leone (multisector assessment)
- Guatemala new land policy
- Philippines assessment of legal framework (CSO, and Government)
Open Tenure: field testing

Guatemala

Uganda

Nigeria
Monitoring and evaluation
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