

# EMBRACING OUR SMART WORLD WHERE THE CONTINENTS CONNECT: ENHANCING THE GEOSPATIAL MATURITY OF SOCIETIES

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The Connectivity of Land Valuation, Land Transfer Standards (ILMS) and Land Acquisition/taxation – Integrating Fit for Purpose Principles Along the Land Continuum (9353) *James Kavanagh* (United Kingdom):

TS06I: The Property Management, Planning and Administration of Real Estate Assets

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- 1. Introduction and context
- 2. Land Acquisition: a global issue
- 3. International land transfer : the problem
- 4. What ILMS is and what it not
- 5. ILMS current status
- 6. Conclusions

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'We cannot solve our problems with the same level of thinking that created them.' – Albert Einstein

'There is no such thing as an investment without property rights that are negotiable and transferable.' – De Soto

## Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)



International

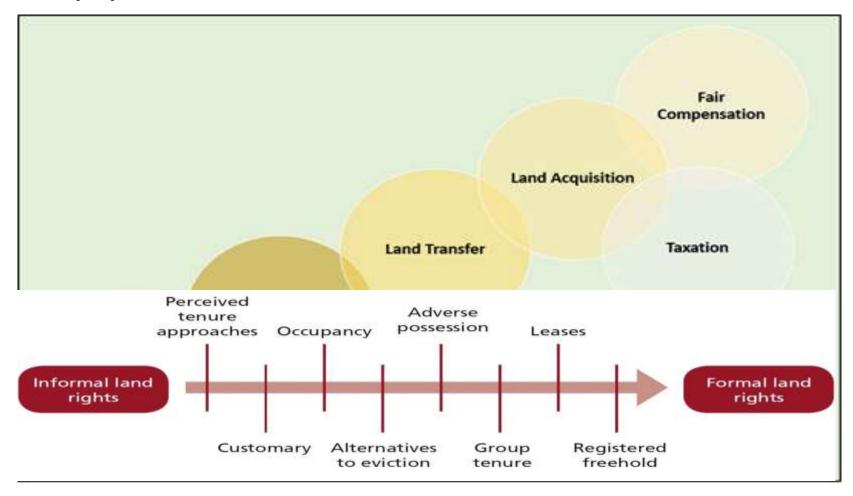
Standards

- 1,2,5,11,15,16 are directly related to Land issues
- New Urban Agenda & Rapid Urbanisation

### ILMS – fit for purpose connectivity



#### Fit for purpose as related to other land activities



Standards work and land transfer needs them.

International standards are the new frontier. In the United Kingdom, standards made an annual contribution of GBP 2.5 billion to the economy, and 13 % of the growth in labour productivity was attributed to standards. Standards were identified as enablers of innovation and facilitators of technological Change.

Roughly **10-15 million people are displaced** from development projects each year. In China, approximately 80 million people were displaced by development projects between 1950 and 2015; in India, 65 million people were displaced between 1950 and 2005. As governments respond to resource scarcity, urbanization, and population growth, increases in land acquisitions and forced displacement for infrastructure expansion, extraction of natural resources, and other development projects are likely be more dramatic in the coming years.

Conflicts over land in **India** stall projects worth billions of dollars - <u>http://www.thisisplace.org/i/?id=9bce5bf2-36c5-48e7-b6fc-170d83713a63</u> from the Thomson Reuters Foundation initiative 'Place' highlights how an analysis of 289 cases, making up 40 percent of major land conflicts in India, found they affected 3.1 million people and more than **\$178 billion** of investment.

### Land Acquisition – a global issue



International

Standards

ILN

- India: Total hectares bought: 5,420,209 (about 13.4 million acres)
- USA: Total hectares bought: 4,136,973 (about 10.2 million acres)
- UK: Total hectares bought: 3,008,472 (about 7.4 million acres)
- South Korea: Total hectares bought: 2,696,297 (about 6.7 million acres)



Country	World Ban Reg of pro		Total Taxes as % of GDP	Fiscal	Property Taxes as	GDP per Capita in USD	Income Level
Ghana	120/119	Country <sup>1</sup>	(2012)	Year	% of GDP	(2012)	(2016)
Indonesia	72/106	Niger	14.5	2010	0.06	394	Low
Doru	58/44	Nigeria	10.2	-	No data	2,740	Lower-middle
Peru	56/44	Rwanda	13.6	2011	0.1	667	Low
OECD	27/44	São Tomé and Príncipe	14.2	2012	0.32	1,488	Lower-middle
		Senegal	19.3	2012	0.10	1,019	Low
		Seychelles	29.6	-	No data	12,845	High
		Sierra Leone	10.7	2010	0.05	619	Low
		South Africa	23.2	2013	1.60	7,592	Upper-middle
		Sudan	5.4	-	No data	1,662	Lower-middle
		Swaziland <sup>3</sup>	36.0	2012	0.05	3,989	Lower-middle
		Tanzania	11.6	2011	0.08	828	Low
		Togo	15.4	2010	0.24	581	Low
		Tunisia	21.0	2012	0.53	4,188	Lower-middle
		Uganda	10.5	-	No data	656	Low
		Zambia	15.0	2008	0.03	1,687	Lower-middle
		Zimbabwe <sup>2</sup>	26.3	2012	0.00	851	Low

http://www.doingbusiness.org/data/exploretopics/registering-property

https://www.transparency.org/news/feature/corruption\_perceptions\_index\_2017

https://data.oecd.org/tax/tax-on-property.htm

# **ILMS - Coalition**



ILMS will be a strong international, principles, based standard, in the public interest, focused on key land information elements, as required to de-risk and aid the process of transaction and strengthen land tenure security, land rights, investment, government revenue raising and economic development.

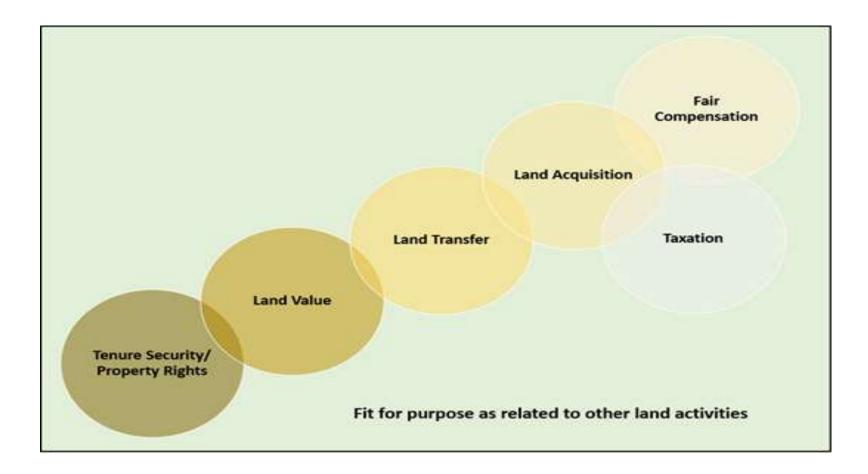
- > Inaugural meeting of 24 coalition members at FAO HQ, Rome
- > Coalition officially launched Oct 2016 (30 members new members can join anytime)
- > ILMS officers elected
- > ILMS Standards Setting Committee formed Jan 2017
- > Milestone dates: World Bank Land March 2017/18 & FIG 2017/18
- > Initial global consultation: Dec Feb 2018
- > Exposure draft consultation: May Sept 2018







Fit for purpose as related to other land activities





### The 7 key land information elements of ILMS

- Both a standard and a framework for reporting
- Aim to reduce risks in the land transfer process by creating consistency of application and facilitating and supporting land governance, robust conveyancing, secure lending and land registration
- Goal: to support global consistency by setting standards for classifying, defining, measuring, analysing, presenting and reporting land information
- Can be applied at a project, regional, state, national or international level
- 7 key elements required during a 'due diligence' process
- Attribution of 'value' as a form of tenure securitisation
- Creates land data feedback 'loop' where elements such as valuation can be improved as land data becomes available
- Flexibility to take informal data sources and add a 'risk' status
- Potential for use with Blockchain technology or traditional systems
- A 'tractor engine for a tractor'



#### World Bank Land & Poverty Conference 2018

Modernising Land Service delivery through the application of a continuum approach: Examining the Appropriateness of the International Land Management Standards (ILMS) – Kat Grimsley George Mason Uni, James Kavanagh RICS

- 3 Countries: Mozambique, Peru, United Kingdom
- 3 Acquisition Scenarios: Large-scale infrastructure, Investment, Urban Informal



Source: Wikipedia



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### **ILMS in practice**



- Scenario 1: Large-scale acquisition of infrastructure
- Scenario 2: investment
- Scenario 3: acquisition of informal property in urban context

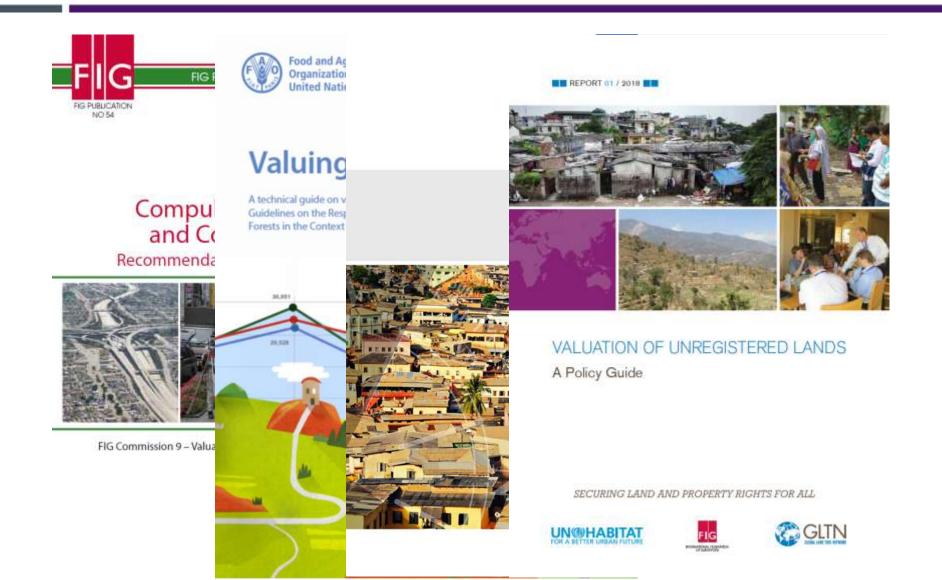


Challenges under Scenario 3:

- 1) Lack of reporting: there is no impetus for use of ILMS under informal transactions
- 2) Lack of awareness: uneducated parties are unaware that surveys or the ILMS exists
- Poverty: parties are unlikely to be able to afford a valuation survey, with or without an ILMS component
- 3) Fear: disincentive for compliance even by those that are aware of and can afford the service
- 3) Corruption

### Connectivity









- Bring consistency and transparency to an opaque and often corrupt process
- Help strengthen land security and property rights by helping legitimate owners realise the economic value of their rights
- Bring land professionals closer to the investment community
- Bring connectivity between the 'soft law' instrument's of VGGT & 'hard' standards such as LADM
- De-risk the internal and external investment in land and property
- Enable the use of 'informal data sources' and highlight risk
- Aid efficiency and fair compensation in Large Scale Land Acquisition
- Help deliver large scale infrastructure and sustainable urban expansion
- Enable technology by creating a robust land acquisition data format



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