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The Global Land Tool Network: The Role of the International Training and Research Cluster in the Strategy 2018-2030

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Background

- The world faces housing, land and property rights challenges of critical proportions.

- Tenure insecurity affects the majority of people in all types of areas: rural, peri-urban and urban.

- The situation is particularly dire in developing countries, where in many cases over 90% of landholdings are not documented, administered or protected.

- Achieving tenure security for all is a crucial stepping stone towards sustainable human development.

- It is also essential for the realization of human rights for all women and men.

- The Global Land Tool Network (GLTN) has designed a strategy for engaging in contributing positively in tackling these challenges for 2018-2030

Global Land Tool Network

- GLTN is a dynamic alliance of more than 75 global land actors and stakeholders.

- It was launched in 2006 in response to critical gaps in land governance and administration approaches, tools and systems.

- GLTN partners work together to improve tenure security for as many people as possible by developing and disseminating inclusive, fit-for-purpose and gender-responsive land tools to improve living conditions for all, prioritizing women, youth and vulnerable groups in both urban and rural settings.

- GLTN accelerates land sector reforms, institutionalizes the use of land tools, monitors land-related commitments and develops capacities, knowledge and resources on land tenure security.

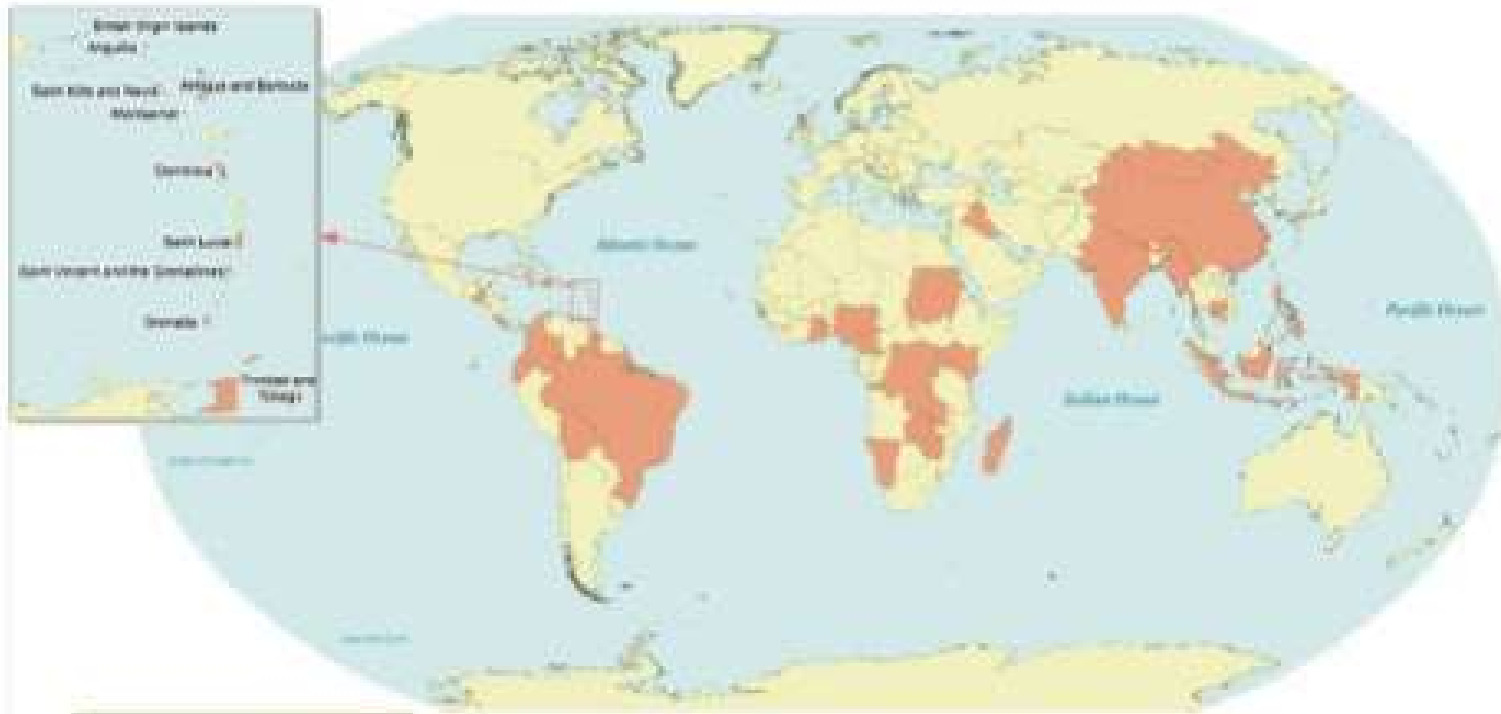- GLTN has developed 26 land tools which are being used all over the world.

Countries where GLTN land tools have been used

Global Reach of GLTN Land Tools

GLTN 2018-2030 Strategy

- **During Phase 1 (2006-2011),** GLTN developed an innovative, inclusive approach and methodology for understanding land tenure security based on the concept of the continuum of land rights.

- **During Phase 2 (2012-2018),** GLTN fostered partnerships for implementation in various countries.

- **During Phase 3 (2018-2030),** GLTN hopes to approach global land challenges through a twofold strategy during this period:

  - To consolidate previous work on land tool development, testing, and dissemination, focusing on urgently needed, priority tools.

  - Through effective in-country partnerships, to promote and facilitate the adoption at scale of land tools and practices that promote tenure security, and to develop the capacity needed for fit-for-purpose implementation.

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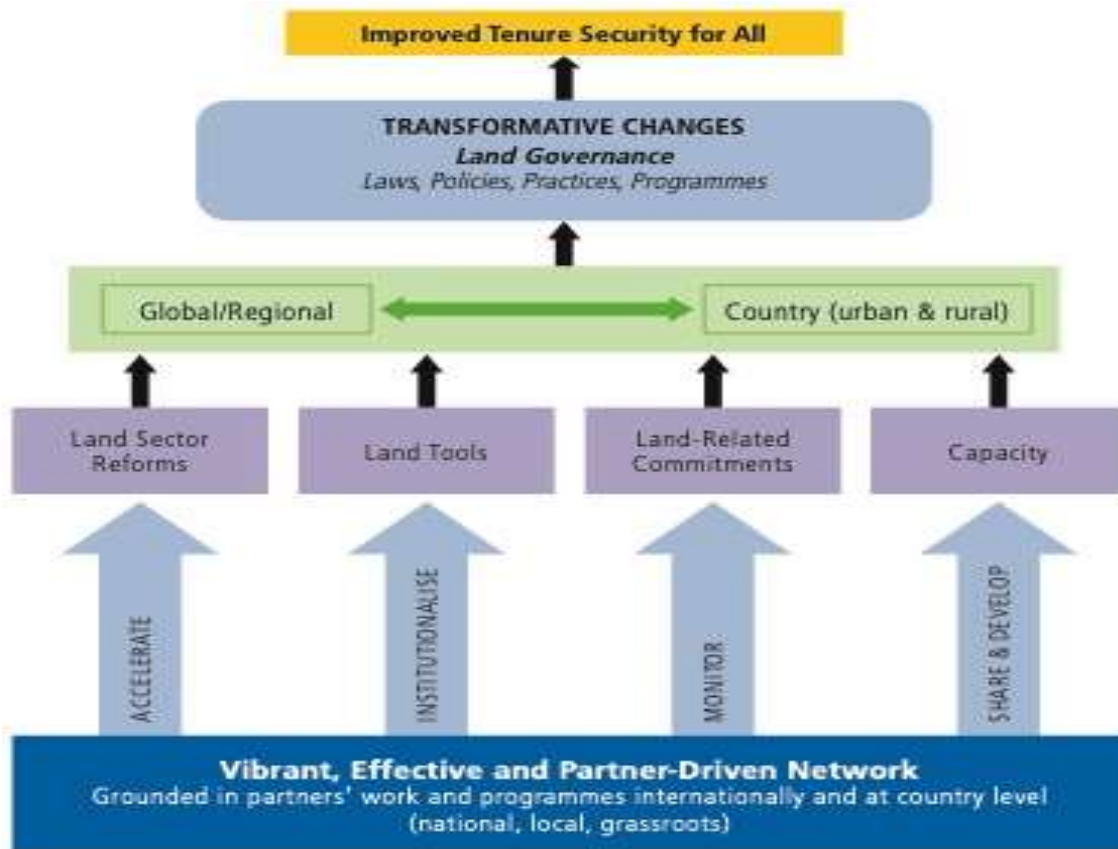FIG

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2018-2030 Strategy

The Global Land Tool Network Strategy for 2018–2030

Sustainable Development Goals | New Urban Agenda | Framework and Guidelines on Land Policy in Africa | Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure | Shared GLTN values and principles

Vision: A world in which everyone enjoys secure land rights

Mission: Partners working together to develop and implement inclusive fit-for-purpose and gender-responsive land tools to improve living conditions for all, prioritizing women, youth and vulnerable groups in both urban and rural settings

Goal: Improved tenure security for all, with a focus on women, youth and vulnerable groups

Strategic objectives:

Accelerate reforms of the land sector by fostering global, regional and national discourse on responsible land governance and transformative land policies

Institutionalize inclusive, gender responsive and fit-for-purpose land tools to scale up tenure security interventions

Monitor land-related commitments and obligations by mobilizing international, regional and national partners to track progress and build evidence

Share and develop capacities, knowledge, research and resources on land tenure security

Actions:

Review, prioritize, develop & implement appropriate land tools that are inclusive, gender responsive and fit-for-purpose

Develop and share knowledge on relevant land related issues

Develop capacity of key land actors, institutions and change agents

Measurement, learning, accountability

Maintain a vibrant and effective partner-driven network

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2018-2030 Strategy will be based on four pillars

International Training and Research Cluster

GLTN Partners are divided into 4 cluster groups based on professional backgrounds.

- Urban international civil societies: non-governmental Organisations (NGO), not-for-profit organisations, Community-Based Organisations (CBOs), faith-based organisations (FBOs), Grassroots organisations. These organisations work in urban land sector.

- Rural international civil societies: non-governmental Organisations (NGO), not-for-profit organisations, Community-Based Organisations (CBOs), faith-based organisations (FBOs), Grassroots organisations. These organisations work in rural areas land sector.

- **International training/research: universities, research centres and other organizations involved research, teaching and training or and think tanks.**

- International professional bodies: professional organizations and associations working in land-related field such as surveying, planning, registrars, notaries, valuation and mapping.

Role in GLTN's work in the reform of the land sector accelerated across organisations, regions and countries

- **Strengthened land policies, programmes and practices at international and national levels:** Collaborate with other GLTN Clusters in the support policy implementation in Uganda

- **Improved awareness of international and national land actors about key land tenure issues, their link to broader development outcomes and possible solutions:** Leverage on the physical presence of Cluster institutions in Uganda to support in awareness building in Uganda (multi-stakeholders' meetings at national and local levels, communication, knowledge management)

- **Strengthened land sector coordination at international and national levels**: Participate in the development of tools for customary and Islamic land tenure.

Role in improving monitoring of GLTN's land-related commitments for planning and policy decisions

- **Development of capacity development materials for impact assessment of land tenure and land governance interventions:** Design a tenure security assessment matrix that is not liable to technology bias (a new challenge that is being ignored today).

- **Capacity development on gender mainstreaming in land governance monitoring:** Co-design Worksop with CSOs and other Clusters on the latest research, experiences and observations on women's land rights and documenting same as a strategy document global status report.

Role in inclusive, gender responsive and fit-for-purpose land tools and approaches institutionalized to scale up tenure security interventions.

- **Assessment of existing tools and approaches and their added value for tenure security improvements:** Analysis of the impact of GLTN tools, including Social Tenure Domain Model, Gender Evaluation Criteria and Continuum of land rights.

- **Tool for addressing land and climate change:** Development of tools for operationalizing land and climate change

Role in capacities, knowledge and resources on land tenure security with among international and national actors

- **Development and implementation of joint programmes/projects:** Work with the FIG Commissions 2 and 8 in smart rural development and Knowledge network building respectively (already initiated and ongoing).

- **Collaborative capacity development initiatives, including webinars, trainings and learning exchanges, involving global and national actors:** Conduct Workshop training on land conflict resolution.

- **Development and teaching of relevant academic courses on tenure security, responsible land governance and application of innovative tools:** Formulate a teaching module on land tenure security with case studies. Improve on the existing documents on responsible land administration (e.g. turn it into a textbook or make it a more robust teaching package)

Conclusion

- The role of the International Training and Research Cluster presented here is mostly derived from our 2019 workplan.

- Our Cluster approach to the GLTN's Strategy 2018-2030 is flexible and will be based on yearly functions in line with GLTN's annual workplans leading to 2030.

- In general, the role of the International Training and Research Cluster is highly unique because it cuts across all pillars of the GLTN Strategy 2018-2030.

- It is cross-cutting because research and training are fundamental activities in carrying out land sector reforms, developing land tools, fulfilling land related commitments and the development of capacity in land in all areas of the land sector.

- In playing our role in the GLTN Strategy 2018-2030, our Cluster strategy would be to engage with and collaborate with the stakeholders in the global land sector, especially the FIG working Groups.

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