UN Habitat-GLTN/FIG Joint Technical Session on Country Experiences on the Implementation of GLTN Land Tools

4 May, 2016, 16:00 p.m. – 17:30 p.m.

The Global Land Tool Network (GLTN) aims to contribute to poverty reduction and sustainable development through the promotion of secure land and property rights for all. On its second phase (2012-2017), the GLTN programme has been anchored on strengthening capacity of land actors and targeted regions and countries to promote and implement appropriate land policies, tools and approaches that are pro-poor, gender appropriate, fit-for-purpose, effective and sustainable. It emphasizes capacity development as a main driver for supporting land policy development and implementation, catalysing platforms and constituency-building and scaling up of pro-poor land tools implementation.

There are 18 land tools spread over 5 major themes: 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. Crossing across these themes are issues on youth, gender, grassroots, capacity development, conflict/disaster, environment, land governance and Islamic land mechanism.

In 2015, the capacities of national partners and land stakeholders were further strengthened in at least six countries: Uganda, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Kenya, Namibia, Zambia and Colombia. GLTN also extended technical guidance and support to Iraq, Mozambique, Angola, Somalia, etc. Tools such as the Gender Evaluation Criteria (GEC), Social Tenure Domain Model (STDM), enumerations for tenure security, continuum of land rights and fit-for-purpose land administration are among the tools being implemented by GLTN partners in these countries emphasizing synergies and interdependence amongst the tools.

The session introduces GLTN and the various land tools developed, being developed and implemented; and highlights country experiences on the implementation of these land tools. It also seeks to initiate discussions on how GLTN land tools can respond to issues of climate change and security of tenure in Small Island Developing States (SIDS).

Objectives:

- a. To discuss what GLTN is, its roles and land tools developed
- b. To present country experiences in implementing GLTN land tools
- c. To discuss GLTN land tools which could respond to climate change and security of tenure in SIDS

Programme:

Time	Presentation/Discussion
16:00 p.m – 16:20 p.m.	Presentation on GLTN and its Land Tools
	Cyprian Selebalo, GLTN
16:20 p.m. – 16:40 p.m.	GLTN Country Level Engagement
	Danilo Antonio/John Gitau, GLTN
16:40 p.m. – 17:00 p.m.	OECS Experience in Piloting the Social Tenure Domain Model
	Charisse Griffith-Charles, University of West Indies
17:00 p.m. – 17:20 p.m.	Discussion
17:20 p.m. – 17:30 p.m.	Way Forward: Synthesis