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Mr. Chris Huggins is an independent consultant specializing in the relationships between land rights, governance of natural resources, violent conflict, and post-conflict development, particularly in Africa. He has practical experience addressing these issues in countries such as Burundi, D.R. Congo, Kenya, Rwanda, Sudan, Tanzania, and Timor-Leste. He spent the last decade in Eastern and Central Africa as Research Fellow for an Intergovernmental organization, the African Centre for Technology Studies (ACTS), and consulting with many non-governmental and UN organizations. He has published extensively, and is co-editor (with Scott Leckie) of 'Conflict and Housing, Land and Property Rights: A Handbook on Issues, Frameworks and Solutions' (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2011) and (with Jenny Clover) of 'From the Ground Up: Land Rights, Conflict and Peace in Sub-Saharan Africa' (Nairobi: ACTS Press/ Pretoria: Institute for Security Studies, 2005). He is currently a PhD candidate in geography, with a specialization in political economy, at Carleton University, Ottawa.

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Ms. Amy Regas is a senior associate for ARD's Land Tenure and Property Rights Sector and the training task team leader for the Property Rights and Resource Governance Task Order. Prior to joining ARD, Ms. Regas was a land specialist for the Millennium Challenge Corporation and a director for Chemonics International's Latin America and Caribbean Division. She currently supervises the land components of ARD's two USAID-funded Colombia projects. Previous illustrative assignments include assisting to design Burkina Faso's MCC land project, evaluating pilot property regularization project in Nicaragua and Colombia, and analyzing the impact of a USAID-funded activity in Ecuador aimed at strengthening territorial rights of indigenous peoples. Between 2004 and 2007, Ms. Regas coordinated the Inter-American Alliance for Real Property Rights, a network of advocates promoting the advancement of property rights systems in the Western Hemisphere. She holds a Masters' degree in international affairs with an emphasis in economic development from George Washington University.

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