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## Property Rights and Resource Governance Issues and Best Practices

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Venue: 1611 N. Kent Street, Suite 700, Arlington, VA

### AGENDA

This short course will provide 40 USG foreign assistance practitioners training that strengthens their knowledge and skills in addressing land tenure and property rights (LTPR) challenges in their portfolios. The key objectives include:

1. Exchange experiences and strengthen understanding of LTPR issues, best practices internationally and their application to USAID programming;
2. Introduce LTPR concepts and approaches aimed at improving programmatic interventions in economic growth, food security, governance, natural resource management, conflict mitigation and climate change; and
3. Teach USG foreign assistance practitioners tools to address land tenure and property rights issues, or use land tenure and property rights interventions to strengthen economic development, governance, conflict mitigation and natural resource management objectives.

This course also includes cross-cutting foci on women's rights, and linkages between property rights and HIV infection.

### DAY ONE

8:30 – 9:00 Welcome by USAID's Land Tenure and Property Rights Unit Staff  
(Timothy Fella, Benjamin Linkow and Karol Boudreaux)

9:00 – 9:40 Course overview, objectives, and participant introductions (Gary Forbes, facilitator)

#### **Module 1: Introduction to land tenure and property rights (LTPR) concepts**

*Objectives: (1) Develop common understanding of terms and concepts; (2) Introduce LTPR tools that will be used throughout course.*

9:40 – 9:50 Introduction to module and objectives (Gary Forbes)

9:50 – 10:20 Presentation on concepts and definitions (John Bruce)

10:20 – 10:30 Coffee break

10:30 – 11:00 Introduction to LTPR tools (Mark Freudenberger)

11:00 – 12:00 Discussion on LTPR constraints in participant countries (John Bruce)

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch



**Module 2 - Competing priorities for land: Food security, climate change and commercial pressures**

*Objectives: (1) Convey implications of the emerging phenomenon of competing priorities for land and linkages between LTPR, food security, conservation, energy and development; (2) Share emerging ideas and approaches for how to address these competing land uses; (3) Introduce and build interest in country cases.*

- 1:00-1:10 Introduction to module and objectives (Gary Forbes)
- 1:10-1:30 Presentation on competing priorities for land (Jolyne Sanjak)
- 1:30 – 1:45 Discussion

**Introduction to Country Case Studies**

- 1:45 – 2:15 Country case studies
- Liberia (Mark Freudenberger)
  - Colombia (Deborah Porte)
- 2:15 – 2:45 Country case studies
- Kenya (John Bruce)
  - Kyrgyzstan/Tajikistan (Peter Rabley)
- 2:45 – 3:00 Coffee break
- 3:00 – 4:30 Explanation of country case study group exercises, division into country groups, and first country case working session to identify LTPR constraints that impede security of tenure and determine potential interventions.
- 4:30 – 4:45 End day wrap-up

**DAY TWO**

- 8:30 – 8:40 LTPR film clips
- 8:40 – 9:10 Economic impacts of LTPR programming by USAID LTPR staff member (Benjamin Linkow)

**Module 3: Gender and vulnerable populations: Strengthening access to land and resources**

*Objectives: (1) Convey the meaning of vulnerability in the context of LTPR, why women’s land rights matter, and the linkages between LTPR and HIV/AIDS; (2) Share the various policy, administrative, judicial, institutional and programmatic options for strengthening women’s and other vulnerable groups’ rights to land and resources.*

- 9:10 – 9:20 Introductions to module and objectives (Gary Forbes)
- 9:20 – 9:40 Presentation on understanding vulnerability and property rights (Kirk Talbott)



- 9:40 – 9:55 Video Villages on Front Lines: Niger
- 9:55 – 10:10 Discussion
- 10:10 – 10:25 Coffee break
- 10:25 – 10:45 Presentation on protecting property rights of women (Elisa Scalise)
- 10:45 – 11:00 Discussion
- 11:00 – 12:00 Second country case study group working session to identify constraints to women’s and vulnerable groups’ access to land and resources, and potential interventions.
- 12:00 – 1:00 Lunch
- 1:00 – 1:30 Property rights in wildlife – CBNRM in Namibia— by USAID LTPR staff member (Karol Boudreaux)

**Module 4 - Land policy and administration: A tool for managing property rights**

*Objectives: (1) Convey the process, purpose and elements of a sound land policy and legislation, and articulate the pros and cons of both customary and statutory land governance institutions; (2) Share programmatic interventions related to land policy and administration, and successful methods and technologies used in land administration.*

- 1:30 – 1:40 Introduction to module and objectives (Gary Forbes)
- 1:40 – 2:10 Presentation on land policy and administration (Peter Rabley)
- 2:10 – 2:40 Video: Hidden Paradise Water Resources and transformation of a slum in the Philippines
- 2:40 – 2:50 Discussion
- 2:50 – 3:10 Coffee break
- 3:10 – 3:40 Presentation on use of spatial data (Peter Rabley)
- 3:40 – 4:00 Discussion
- 4:00 – 4:15 End day wrap-up

**DAY THREE**

- 8:30 – 8:40 LTPR film clips

**Module 5 – Land and natural resource conflict: How rights and access to land and resources can be the cause of conflict and can fuel conflict**

*Objectives: (1) Convey what we mean by resource-based conflict and how resources either prompt or become the focus of conflict; (2) Share programmatic options for managing conflicts over resources and for resettling IDPS in a post-conflict environment.*



- 8:40 – 8:50 Introduction to module and objectives (Gary Forbes)
- 8:50 – 9:20 Presentation on land, natural resources and violent conflict (John Bruce)
- 9:20 – 9:45 Video: PRADD Conflict Diamonds
- 9:45 – 10:15 Property rights and artisanal diamond development (PRADD), by USAID LTPR staff member (Timothy Fella)
- 10:15-10:30 Coffee break

**Module 6– Natural resource management: How tenure security can promote conservation and the sustainable use of natural resources**

*Objectives: (1) Convey why property rights over natural resources are important to biodiversity conservation, good governance, economic growth, and adaptation and mitigation of climate change; (2) Share tenure related programmatic interventions to promote sustainable resource uses.*

- 10:30 – 10:35 Introduction to module and objectives (Gary Forbes)
- 10:35 –11:10 Presentation of LTPR Issues in NRM, biodiversity conservation, and GCC (Mark Freudenberger)
- 11:10 – 11:30 Discussion
- 11:30 – 12:30 Third country case study group working session to identify LTPR constraints to sustainable use of natural resources, and potential interventions.
- 12:30 – 1:15 Lunch

**Module 7 - Wrapping it all up**

*Objective: Allow participants to present their case study conclusions and ask any remaining questions to the expert trainers.*

- 1:15 – 1:25 Introduction to module and objectives (Gary Forbes)
- 1:25 – 2:45 Final country case study group working session to develop country roadmap of actions and prepare for presentations. Participants will develop a roadmap of steps they would take as the USAID/Country Mission to address LTPR issues in their particular case study countries.
- 2:45 – 3:45 Presentations by each country group on their roadmap, country constraints and priority interventions.
- 3:45 – 4:15 Discussion
- 4:15 –4:30 Evaluations, diplomas, closing