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# LAND TENURE AND PROPERTY RIGHTS ISSUES AND BEST PRACTICES TRAINING

**Organized by:** E3 Land and Urban Office

## **Dates and Locations:**

- Washington, DC (Washington Learning Center): January 22 – 26, 2018
- Asia Regional Training - Bangkok, Thailand (Asia Regional Training Center at RDMA): February 5 – 9, 2018
- Africa Regional Training - Lusaka, Zambia (USAID/Zambia Training Center): February 26 – March 2, 2018

**How to Register:** Search for ‘Land Tenure’ in USAID University

## **OVERALL COURSE OBJECTIVE**

This course will provide USG foreign assistance practitioners training that strengthens their knowledge and skills in understanding the relationships between land tenure and property rights (LTPR) and critical USG international development strategic priorities; identifying and addressing development challenges in their portfolios related to LTPR; and improving the effectiveness of Agency and USG programming.

## **BACKGROUND**

Rights to land and resources are at the center of our most pressing development issues: economic growth, food security, conflict, urbanization, gender equality, climate change, and resilience. Secure land and property rights create incentives for investment, broad-based economic growth, and good stewardship of natural resources. Insecure property rights and weak land governance systems often provoke conflict and instability, which can trap communities, countries, and entire regions in a cycle of poverty.

This 1-week course is designed for USAID and USG international development professionals, who want to strengthen their knowledge and skills in addressing land tenure and property rights challenges.

This course provides participants with a solid understanding of the issues, theories, evidence, and best practices around land tenure, property rights, and effective international development programming.

## **PARTICIPANT LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

By the end of the course the participants will be able to:

1. Describe the importance of LTPR as a critical development issue and understand considerations for USG foreign assistance programming.
2. Define common land sector terms and concepts and be able to explain the differences between formal and informal land systems.
3. Describe the linkages between LTPR and conflict, economic growth, responsible land-based investment, food security, gender equality and women's empowerment, and natural resource management in developing countries.
4. Understand and describe best practices for applying LTPR in the context of USG foreign assistance programming and identify available resources, USAID-supported technologies, methodologies, and tools for LTPR.

## **COURSE OUTLINE**

1. Introduction to Land Tenure and Property Rights
2. Land Rights, Gender Equality, and Women's Empowerment
3. Property Rights and Economic Growth
4. Land and Food Security
5. Responsible Land-based Investment
6. Land, Property, and Conflict
7. Land and Resource Tenure, NRM, and Biodiversity
8. Introduction to Land Administration and Land Technology Solutions
9. USAID Land Tenure and Property Rights Technical Services, Resources, and Mechanism
10. Conclusion

## **SCENARIOS**

Throughout the course, will move through four real world example scenario-based exercises to practice applying course learnings to improve USAID development programming and decision making.

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