A Framework for the Adoption of the Land Administration Domain Model in Zimbabwe

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SUMMARY

The main players in land administration in Zimbabwe include the Department of the Surveyor-General, Deeds Registry Office, Conveyancers and Land Surveyors. The current land administration system is largely manual and is characterized by information silos created by the major stakeholders. The government is encouraging e-governance and the land administration sector is being urged to adopt information and communication technologies. The main objective of this study was centered on land administration and best practice trends for the adoption of the land administration domain model. A desktop review process was undertaken to obtain lessons from countries which had adopted LADM. Questionnaires and interviews were used to ascertain the level of information and communication technology uptake among the land administration practitioners in Zimbabwe. The findings show that Zimbabwe is somewhere between the control and integration stages of Nolan's model of the evolution of information systems. This paper presents a framework for the adoption of the Land Administration Domain Model in Zimbabwe, taking into account the prevailing technological and economic environment.

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