Voluntary Guidelines on the
RESPONSIBLE GOVERNANCE
OF TENURE OF LAND,
FISHERIES AND FORESTS
in the context of national food security

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1. The VGGT brief introduction

2. FAO's perspective for the VGGT

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“An historical momentum.”
Alberta Guerra, Food Policy officer, Action Aid International

“a milestone achievement.”
José Graziano da Silva, Director General, FAO

- application encouraged by G8, G20, Rio +20, APEC, Francophone Parliamentary Assembly, UN General Assembly and Berlin Agriculture Ministers’ Summit...

“We encourage private investment be carried out in a responsible manner with VG and PRAI being taken into account.”
Kazan Declaration on APEC Food Security
Problems of tenure and weak governance

Tenure rights not recognized

Inequitable access

Limited capacity

Forced eviction

Discrimination

State capture

Bribery

Expensive and difficult procedures

No accountability or transparency

Contradictory laws and policies

INCREASING COMPETITION FOR NATURAL RESOURCES:

- Population growth
- Urbanization
- Changing diets
- Demand for energy

Governing institutions have not adapted to growing intensity of competition

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FROM PRINCIPLES TO ACTIONS

The real value of the Guidelines will be determined by their contribution to changes in the lives and livelihoods of men and women around the globe, particularly the vulnerable and marginalized.

COLLECTIVELY DESIGNING THE ROAD AHEAD

• Awareness raising
• Capacity development
• Country level focus
• Partnerships, cooperation and coordination (e.g. LPI).
• Monitoring and evaluation

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AWARENESS RAISING AROUND THE GLOBE

So far:

11 Awareness raising workshops completed around the globe

17 Country-level workshops requested and planned

Over 53 Briefings in more than 35 countries completed
## Technical Guides

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CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT TOOLS

GOVERNANCE OF TENURE TECHNICAL GUIDES

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The outline is based on the results of the specific workshop, where:

1. Five main types of target audience have been considered
2. Potential content elements have been identified to address the learning needs of the target audience

Content must be relevant to the activities carried out by the audience.

Workshop report (task analysis)
E-learning course: Introduction to the Responsible Governance of Tenure

- The e-learning course aims to help people understand the Voluntary Guidelines as well as to raise the general awareness of responsible governance of tenure of land, fisheries and forests.
- It provides explanations, examples and illustrative case studies in an interactive way.
- It is available for free on the web and on CD-Rom.
- Available in English, French and Spanish.

The e-learning programme is funded by the European Union through the EU-FAO Improved Global Governance for Hunger Reduction Programme.

Watch the demo at 15:10 - just in front of the Iran room.

Pick-up brochure and e-learning USB card.
How to access

The e-learning course “Introduction to the Responsible Governance of Tenure” is available for free on the web and on CD-Rom.

**Online Access**

1. Go to the Governance of Tenure website: [www.fao.org/nr/tenure](http://www.fao.org/nr/tenure)
2. Click on the e-learning icon on the right-hand menu
3. Click on ACCESS COURSE
4. Register and log-in with your user name and password

**CD-Rom**

1. Go to the Governance of Tenure website: [www.fao.org/nr/tenure](http://www.fao.org/nr/tenure)
2. Click on the e-learning icon on the right-hand menu
3. Click on ORDER CD-ROM and complete the form

If you need more than one copy, e-mail us at: VG-tenure@fao.org

**Future offerings will include:**

- Situation assessment
- Recognition of rights
- Valuation & taxation
- Dispute resolution
- Transparency
- Markets & investments
- Climate change
- Monitoring & promoting policy change

The e-learning curriculum is being developed through the EU-FAO Programme on IMPROVED GLOBAL GOVERNANCE FOR HUNGER REDUCTION which is funded by the European Union and implemented by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.
The VGGT for:

1. Advocacy
2. Education & awareness raising
3. Building support for reform
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SUPPORT TO COUNTRIES

Already responding to country requests:

- Myanmar
- Niger
- Senegal
- Sierra Leone
- Liberia
- Mongolia
- Ethiopia
- Nepal
- Uganda
- China
- South Africa

... and mainstreaming in all relevant country work
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STRENGTHENING OF PARTNERSHIPS

- Land Policy Initiative – AU / AfDB
- FIG (International Federation of Surveyors)
- World Bank
- IFAD
- UN-HABITAT
- Others
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MONITORING AND EVALUATION

Encouraging Country Assessments through Publications (e.g. LTWP 22) and e-learning courses;

FAO Framework for Assessing and Monitoring Forest Governance;

Land Governance Assessment Framework
From Principles to Action

ROLES FOR ACTORS IN COUNTRIES

- States
- Courts and government agencies
- People and communities
- Civil society
- Investors
- Professionals
- University and academia
From Principles to Action
WORKING TOGETHER

If you want to go fast, go alone.
If you want to go far, go together.
-african proverb
More information

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