

The Importance of Cadastral Organisations for Cadastral Development

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SUMMARY

The importance of cadastral organisations for cadastral development This paper will discuss the importance of organisational development for cadastral and land registration systems to support economic and social development. The paper will start from a review of the development of systems and organisations in different parts of the world, Europe, Africa, Asia and America over time. The situation will be analysed and achievements and shortcomings will be illustrated with examples from various countries in South-East and Central Asia, Balkan, and Southern and Eastern Africa. Based on the basic principles developed by international organisations as the Voluntarily Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure (FAO), the Land Policy Initiative in Africa, the Global Land Tool Network (Un-Habitat), the paper will analyse the importance of the organisations responsible for different aspects of land management, land registration and cadastral development for delivering appropriate services to all people, including the fast growing urban population, for securing land rights in rural areas and minority people's rights, for investments in economic development in rural and urban areas and for improving women's access to land. The need for capacity building in order to meet the expectations of the international society will be analysed. The paper will conclude that among others, land administration organisations need to improve their institutional capacity including more efficient delivery of appropriate services in order to meet the fast growing demands from the users of land administration. The paper will illustrate possibilities for improving the service delivery through improved management, organisational reforms, new ways for financing of the services and also development of legislation and technology. Capacity building and change management are some central elements in this development.