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**SUMMARY**

Many people do not have tenure security. Less than 30% of land rights are documented. Linking people to polygons of land should happen in a fair way. The Fit-For-Purpose (FFP), Land Administration approach, argues for cost-effective and time-efficient, transparent, scalable and participatory land administration.

During the previous terms, the Commission 7 contributed to the development of the approach and underlined the importance of FFP as a mechanism to optimise resources and, therefore, expand the coverage of land administration system.

A great understanding and adoption of the concept are being achieved. However, further work is required for improving implementation mechanisms. In particular, methods and procedures are needed to identify purposes and selecting the best fit for each situation and to find ways to accommodate to legal national frameworks and to gain legal security for landowners by visible agreement by decision makers.

This working group focuses on collecting experiences and lessons from projects in the world where principles of the FFP approach were applied. In this paper the experiences and results will be discussed and shared. This will support surveyors understand better how to implement FFP in cadastre and land management systems. In addition to the paper a publication will be developed that will work on improving the understanding of FFP in the broader surveying community and highlights where improved capacities are needed to ensure surveyors maintain the relevance of participation in land administration systems.