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How Remedy the Problems Generated by Undivided Real Estate Inheritance to Improve Land and Property Management: the Case of French Polynesia (11426)









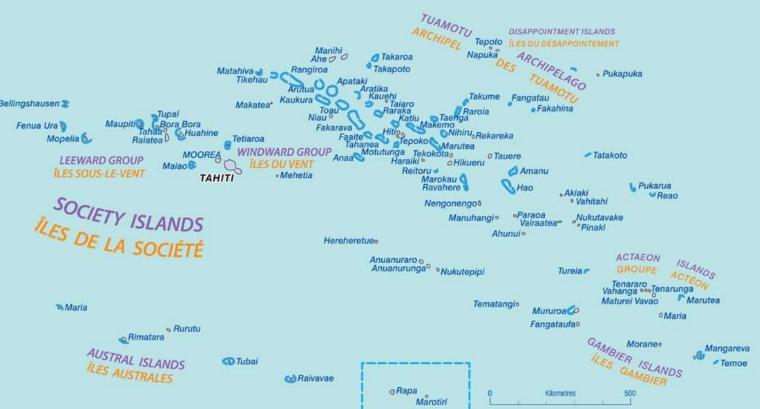




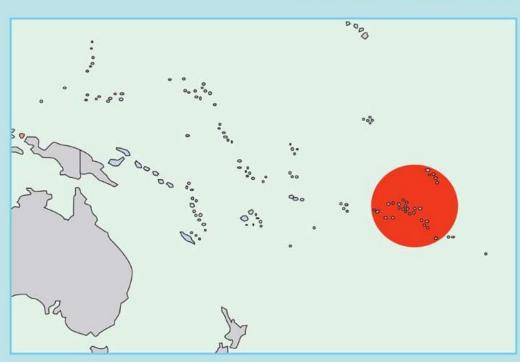


### French Polynesia Polynésie Française













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### **Land Context in French Polynesia**

- A culture and ancestral customs;
- A visceral attachment to the land;
- 80% of the land in joint ownership;
- A contradiction in the population's mind / Everyone wants to keep the land in joint ownership without sharing except that everyone wants to be the owner of his own land















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#### **Undivided Real Estate Inheritance**

- Blockage of land for the economic development of the country as well as for individuals, as ¾ of undivided rights are required for the sale of land;
- Difficulty to know the owners as well as the land itself.
  - Identification of lands and heirs incomplete real estate file Origin of the right in 1852 for the oldest
  - Identification of owners problem of the civil status of oral tradition: change of name,
    adoption without formalism...















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#### How to handle the situation

#### Offering tools:

- To get out of Undivided Real Estate Inheritance;
- To manage Undivided Real Estate Inheritance.















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### **Different proposals**

Strengthening of the profession of probate genealogists

Strengthening the profession of notaries and surveyors with the contribution of the dematerialization of acts

Encourage the declaration of inheritance and transmission of patrimony by tax incentives

Strengthen the legal tools by a land code - extreme complication of the law due to the superposition of different sources between national law (French republic) and the law of the country (territorial autonomy)















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### Creation of a public interest grouping

- To draft a proposal for a law creating a Public Interest Group (GIP) for the reconstitution of property titles in French Polynesia,
- The objective of the GIP will be to facilitate the work of research for the establishment of title deeds,
- The GIP will accelerate the titling process of the Polynesians and at the same time, it will divert it from the legal system,
- Free titling process (supported by the country).















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### Creation of an act of notoriety titling

- ➤ The purpose of this title deed will be to title the undivided inheritors, without having recourse to a judicial procedure, but under the responsibility of a ministerial officer.
- Taking into account the conditions required to establish the act of notoriety title and the publicity measures of which it will be the object, it will constitute a non contestable right title.















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### Creation of the social trust as one of the methods of managing undivided interests

To establish a trust law specific to French Polynesia, one of the specificities of which will be to be open-ended.

To provide that the trust may manage a set of assets, rights or securities, present or future, without limitation.















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#### **Creation of a land information portal**

Contribution of all the actors of the land (notary, surveyor, court decisions, land registry administration, local authorities....),

Publication of all professional acts (land plan acts, easement plan, cadastral plan, alignment);

Urban development and planning documents;

Single source of land information.

















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Thank you for your attention









