

Summary of Discussions in Session 3: Land, the Big Picture for Change

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Question	Answer
Example from Zimbabwe where women got together to collect the information and distribute among themselves	
FIG benchmarking exercise. Will FIG be conducting a similar exercise in the future and make the result available (Peter)	Commission 7 vision for 2014 will address it. Also, commission 3 is addressing a whole range of issues. Yes, continuously on the agenda.
NZ RMA may lead to sustainable management without leading to sustainable development. Elaborate on the difference (Lisa)	Discussion in parliament to wind back to environment. SM is only about resource exploitation and only first step – need to deal with the tension between the economy, environment, and social change.
Elaborate good governance, with respect to Victoria (Lisa)	Society specific. Bedrock of future for land administration to set ground rules for information management and good governance. Issues on getting message out and getting community involved.
Is it important for people with expertise in managing information to be in charge of collecting the information rather than those with computers; protection of information on the internet (Peter)	Need partnership between those with technical skills and those with social issues, fitness to use; not specific to land info. UK has personal protection act. Eg, info on mad cow disease not put in public domain because cows identify the farms and then the owners and are therefore protected. No easy answers; be aware of the issues
Systematic registration might facilitate security, is it feasible and cost effective compared to sporadic? (Gershon)	Context of reference to systematic adjudication not necessarily full and complete territory; it could be applied to those who need it, in Thailand, province by province; should be used wisely where it makes sense.
World bank's attitude for government guarantee on land titling and title insurance (Gershon)	Different opinions on merits of government guarantee; government guarantee may not make sense in some circumstances; US does not have them and are fine
Why should information not be open since we now live in a global village, in villages, everything about everybody is known. (Peter)	Information is power, the more you have information about people, the more power you have over them. Power should be exercised with care.

<p>UN organisations and others have different projects and programs on Women's access to land, any information on results of these projects? (Agneta)</p>	<p>Examples of results</p> <p>At global level, assessment of progress made in implementing global action on women in development following from Beijing, all countries and civic societies will report on actions undertaken at country level</p> <p>Results depends much on initiatives taken on civic societies and women concerned on issues of women and property</p> <p>When information is at local level where action happens, noticed that women's groups are able to assess their own situation, may get advise from lawyers and take part in formulation of projects and implementation of the projects aimed at improving their participation</p> <p>Participation of women's group in land reform in Tanzania. Active involvement of women's groups and women in positions, eg, parliamentarians, women councillors, review to make sure that women's rights are ensured, they participated in the reviews for a new land act, general debate in society was undertaken and the new act has allowed for compatibility of the constitution and the prevailing legislations and review of the implementation, integration and enforcement of legislations in place, due to participatory process.</p>
<p>How we do we get around putting a high tech solution when people see it as the way (Peter)</p>	<p>With difficulty. People see an opportunity to improve their economies by selling computers and high tech to developing countries. Rate of change and ability to move step by step rather than quantum leap</p>
<p>Attitude to the availability of official information. (Peter)</p>	<p>Official information should be in the public domain, and private information should not, but what is public and private is the difficult question</p>
<p>Privacy issues. Direction has actually been in the opposite direction. Getting information about, say mortgages have been difficult. (Peter)</p>	<p>Issue is whether focus in on the land, and personal rights. Ability to integrate info across networks is the issue and concerns about privacy should be discussed.</p>