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### Committee on Housing and Land Management

#### Working Party on Land Administration

##### Tenth session

Geneva, 8-9 March 2017

##### Item 1 of the provisional agenda

##### Opening of the session and adoption of the agenda

### Provisional agenda for the tenth session of the Working Party on Land Administration

Geneva, starting at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, 8 March 2017

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11. Adoption of the report

## **II. Annotations**

### **1. Opening of the session and adoption of the agenda**

1. The proposed agenda and timetable were agreed upon by the Bureau of the Working Party and will be presented for the Working Party's consideration and approval.
2. The Working Party is invited to adopt the agenda.

### **2. Matters arising from the seventy-seventh session and Special Session of the Committee on Housing and Land Management of the Economic Commission for Europe**

3. The Working Party will be informed about decisions taken by the Committee on Housing and Land Management at its seventy-seventh session (ECE/HBP/188), Special Session (ECE/HBP/S/2016/3) as well as by the Executive Committee (EXCOM), which are relevant to the work of the Working Party.
4. Particular attention will be given to:
  - (a) The Terms of Reference of the Working Party for the period 2016-2020 which were endorsed by the Committee in December 2016 and approved by EXCOM in February 2017.
  - (b) EXCOM decisions relevant to the Working Party.
5. The Working Party is invited to take note of the information provided.

### **3. Keynote segment: Land, 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the New Urban Agenda**

6. In the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the New Urban Agenda land management is a cross-cutting component. This segment will consist of a dialogue on the main sustainable development challenges in the region and how sound land administration, sustainable land management and sustainable real estate markets can help the transition towards better, safer and more balanced human settlements and sustainable cities.
7. This segment will include interventions from prominent actors in land markets and land tenure in promoting good governance in the UNECE region for the implementation of the Agendas.
8. The Working Party is to take into consideration the discussions and conclusions in shaping its future activities as relevant.

### **4. Review of the programme of work for 2016-2017**

9. The Working Party will be informed about activities carried out and to be carried out to complete its programme of work for 2016 to 2017 (ECE/HBP/WP.7/2017/2).

**(a) Capacity-building and international knowledge sharing**

10. The Working Party will be informed about workshops held in the UNECE region and the other work of the Bureau, as well as on topics covering land management discussed at regionally relevant workshops, conferences, seminars and other events focusing on land management.

**(b) Land administration reviews**

11. The Working Party will be informed on the member State land administration reviews undertaken as part of the UNECE country profiles on housing and land management.

**(c) Studies on selected topics in land management and land administration**

12. The Working Party will be informed on the following studies relating to land administration and management in order to assist member States better formulate targeted and effective policies.

(a) The Working Party will be presented with the results of the follow-up study to the “Land Registration and Cadastre: One or Two Agencies?” (ECE/HBP/WP.7/2015/3) which was carried out in 2016. An abstract of the final findings of the study can be found in document ECE/HBP/WP.7/2017/4.

(b) The Working Party will be presented with the preliminary findings (ECE/HBP/WP.7/2017/5) of the follow-up questionnaire that builds up the 2014 “Survey on Land Administration Systems in the ECE Region” (ECE/HBP/180) and further analyses the land administration systems in the region.

(c) The Working Party will be presented with the progress on the dissemination of conclusions and recommendations of the study “Formalizing the Informal: Challenges and Opportunities of Informal Settlements in South-East Europe”<sup>1</sup> as well as the presentation of the Literature Review: Informal settlements in countries with economies in transition in the UNECE Region<sup>2</sup> for the preparation of technical guidelines on informal settlements in 2017.

13. The Working Party is invited to take note of the progress achieved and to review the next steps needed for the completion of the remaining activities for 2017.

**5. Report on the work of the Bureau of the Working Party**

14. The Chair of the Working Party will report on meetings and other work of the task groups of the Working Party since the ninth session of the Working Party.

15. The Working Party is invited to take note of this information.

**6. Cooperation with international organizations/agencies working in land administration and land management**

16. The Working Party will be informed about the discussions between international organizations/agencies working in land administration and land management with a view to

<sup>1</sup> <https://www.unece.org/index.php?id=41174>

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.unece.org/index.php?id=43153>

identifying linkages between mandates and projects, and how to promote synergies as opportunities for cooperation and increased efficiency.

17. Participants will present the current cooperation in the field of land administration and management and any proposed specific, cooperative projects with the Working Party.

18. The Working Party is invited to discuss the proposals and decide on next steps.

## **7. Presentation of the programme of work for 2018-2019**

19. The Working Party will be presented with the draft programme of work for 2018-2019 (ECE/HBP/WP.7/2017/3) which has been developed by the Bureau with the support of the secretariat.

20. The Working Party is invited to comment on the document and discuss how to reflect the outcome of the keynote segment and the ensuing discussion in the 2018-2019 programme of work.

21. The Working Party is invited to review and approve its programme of work for 2018-2019.

## **8. Election of the Bureau**

20. The Working Party is expected to elect its Bureau for a two-year term of office.

## **9. Any other business**

21. Delegations are invited to discuss other issues under this agenda item.

## **10. Date of the next session**

22. The next session is scheduled to take place in spring 2019.

## **11. Adoption of the report**

23. The meeting is expected to adopt the report in session.

### III. Tentative timetable

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Agenda Item</i>	
8 March	10:00 – 10:25	1	Adoption of the agenda and welcome
	10:25 – 10:45	2	Matters arising from the seventy-fifth session of the Committee on Housing and Land Management of the Economic Commission for Europe
	10:45 – 12:00	3	Keynote: Land and the 2030 Agenda and the New Urban Agenda
	12:00 – 13:00	4 (a)	Review of the programme of work for 2016-2017: Capacity-building and international knowledge sharing
	15:00 – 16:00	4 (b)	Review of the programme of work for 2016-2017: Land administration Reviews
	16:00 – 17:00	4 (c)	Review of the programme of work for 2016-2017: Studies on selected topics in land management and land administration
	17:00 – 17:30	5	Report on the work of the Bureau of the Working Party
9 March	10:00 – 10:45	6	Cooperation between international organizations/agencies working in land administration and land management
	10:45 – 11:15	7	Presentation of the programme of work for 2018-2019
	11:15 – 11:30	8	Election of the Bureau
	11:30 – 12:00	9	Any other business
	12:15 – 12:30	10	Date of the next session
	12:30 – 13:00	11	Adoption of the report