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Summary

This note contains a proposed programme of work for the Working Party on Land Administration for the years 2018 and 2019.

When discussing its activities, the Working Party may wish to keep in mind that the programme should reflect the interest of member States and their willingness to contribute to the programme's implementation in terms of expertise and human and financial resources.

The Working Party is invited to review and approve the programme of work.

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I. Capacity-building and international knowledge sharing

1. Objective: To increase the capacity of UNECE member States to formulate policies on land administration and management.
2. To achieve this objective, the Working Party will:
 - (a) Organize four workshops in the UNECE region to allow for experience and knowledge sharing, to improve the human capital of stakeholders and enhance land management practices
 - (b) Contribute, as requested and available, to UNECE Real Estate Market Advisory Group roundtable discussions
 - (c) Present the work of the Working Party and provide advice on land management at workshops, conferences, seminars and other events focusing on land management
 - (d) Contribute, as requested, to the work of the United Nations initiative on Global Geospatial Information Management, in line with Economic and Social Council Resolution (E/RES/2016/27)¹, including the United Nations Expert Group on Land Administration and Management

II. Land administration reviews

3. Objective: To provide, upon the request of a member State, an assessment of member State land administration systems and guidelines to enhance these systems.
4. To achieve this objective, the Working Party will, upon invitation by Governments and subject to the availability of funding, develop member State land administration reviews as part of the UNECE country profiles on housing and land management.

III. Studies on selected topics in land management

5. Objective: To study issues in land management of interest to member States and develop publications containing analyses of this issue to help member States better understand the current status of land management and thus formulate more targeted and effective policies.
6. Activity: The Working Party will organize the subsequent benchmarking in land administration studies on the cost for registration/transfer of real estate and registration of mortgages. The studies will include topics to analyse such as: cost for the notary or lawyer services, cadastre or private surveyor and the land registry.
7. Activity: The Working Party in cooperation with the Committee on Housing and Land Management will conduct a study on land consolidation and compile best practices for the UNECE region.
8. Activity: The Working Party will carry out research on the formalization of informal real estate and informal markets.

¹ http://www.un.org/ga/search/view_doc.asp?symbol=E/RES/2016/27