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## Measuring Progress in the Implementation of SDGs, the Role of Data and Statistics in Monitoring Land Administration and Management

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Palais des Nations, Building A, Salle XII

14:30 – 17:30

*Organised by UNECE-Working Party on Land Administration and UN Custodian Agencies for Land Indicators in the SDGs (UN-Habitat, FAO and World Bank)*

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**Attendees:** UNECE member States, Statistical Offices, Land Administration agencies, Donors and other stakeholders interested in the implementation, monitoring and reporting on land administration and management; UN Habitat and World Bank; and FAO - formal custodians of SDG land indicators 1.4.2 and 5.a.1 respectively.

**Purpose:** Create a learning and exchange platform for UNECE member States and relevant stakeholders to showcase progress made in the implementation, monitoring and reporting on SDGs as they relate to data and land.

### Objectives:

- Create sharing, learning and exchange platform for the member States in the UNECE region to discuss their implementation, monitoring and reporting on SDGs 1 and 5, country level progress, challenges and opportunities.
- Disseminate the methodology for monitoring tenure security in the context of SDGs, with a focus on indicators 1.4.2 and 5.a.1 as approved by IAEG-SDGs.
- Explore partnership and collaborative approaches between UNECE (National Statistics Offices, cadaster and land registries) and the custodian agencies, that would fast track the achievement of land tenure data and statistics and reporting in line with the SDGs.

### Expected Outputs from the Session:

- Increased participants overall knowledge of progress, challenges and opportunities in the implementation and monitoring of SDGs, and land indicators as included in SDG1 and 5 by UNECE member States.
- Participants have increased understanding of and access to the IAEG-SDGs approved methodology and tools for monitoring land indicators 1.4.2 and 5.a.1 from custodian agencies.



- Areas of mutual partnership and collaboration between UNECE, specific member States and UN custodian agencies and other actors in the implementation, monitoring and reporting on land indicators 1.4.2 and 5.a.1 is highlighted for follow up and support.

### **Background:**

Agenda 2030 recognizes the importance of land in achieving the sustainable development goals including SDG1- Ending poverty in all its form; SDG2 – eradicating hunger, SDG5 – achieving gender equality and empowerment of women, and SDG11 – building inclusive and resilient cities. The New Urban Agenda further underscores the importance of land governance in urban planning and development. Improving land administration and management practices often results to increase in long term and sustainable investment opportunities; both in rural and urban areas with sectors like agriculture and infrastructure development at the core for most economies in UNECE region and globally.

With the inclusion of land in the SDGs including a robust monitoring framework to measure progress through specific land indicators 1.4.2 and 5.a.1; governments are challenged to provide robust and comparable data, both administrative and survey data to measure progress against targets 1.4 and 5.a. The UN custodian agencies for these two indicators; UN-Habitat, World Bank and FAO have joined forces to align methodologies for monitoring these two indicators; and developed a joint module that could be attached to household surveys for data collection. Both indicators are now classified as Tier II by the UN Interagency Expert Group on SDGs (IAEG-SDGs) and custodian agencies are disseminating the approved methodologies while supporting countries to achieve timely and regular data collection and reporting on these indicators.

Building on the work of UNECE, member States will reflect on progress made in the implementation, monitoring and reporting on SDG1 and 5; and share their experiences in land data production and reporting. The custodian agencies will present the approved methodology and the joint module for computing the two indicators. Building on highly developed country data infrastructure from UNECE member States, participants will reflect on the new emerging requirements for monitoring land in the SDGs and their application in the region.

## Draft Programme

Time	Activity Description	Responsibility
14:30 -14:50	Introductory/welcome remarks Session objective and expected outputs	<b>Mr. Fredrik Zetterquist</b> , Chair, WPLA <b>Ms. Everlyne Nairesiae</b> , Coordinator, Global Land Indicators Initiative <b>Prof. Dr.-Ing. Rudolf Staiger</b> , President of FIG
14:50-15:05	Implementation and monitoring of SDGs including and data availability in the UNECE region	<b>Mr. Steven Vale</b> , Regional Advisor, UNECE Statistics Division
15:05-15:20	Status of land administration agencies in the implementation of the land-related SDGs, achievements, challenges and opportunities	<b>Mr. Kees de Zeeuw</b> , Director Kadaster International; Co-Chair, Expert Group on Land Administration, UN-GGIM
15:20-15:35	Presentation of the work of the UN-GGIM <b>Europe (TBC)</b>	<b>Executive Committee representative</b> , UN-GGIM Europe
15:35-15:50	Linking national mapping agencies and national statistical offices - status, challenges and opportunities	<b>Ms. Elena Busch</b> , Senior Engineer, Norwegian Mapping Authority
15:50-16:05	<i>Coffee break</i>	
16:05-16:50	Introduction to SDGs joint module for monitoring land tenure indicators 1.4.2 and 5.a.1	Presentation by Custodians – <b>Ms. Sydney Gourlay</b> , World Bank <b>Mr. Robert Ndugwa</b> , UN-Habitat <b>Ms. Yonca Gurbuzer</b> , FAO
16:50-17:10	Question and answer session	ALL
17:10-17:25	Forward looking – what UNECE countries can do to deliver on land indicators reporting in the SDGs by 2020 - Concrete actions and collaboration (proposed) for follow up.	<b>Ms. Everlyne Nairesiae</b> and Custodians
17:25-17:30	Concluding Remarks	GLTN/UN-Habitat/UNECE