



Economic and Social Council

Distr.: General
15 July 2021

Original: English

Economic Commission for Europe

Committee on Urban Development, Housing and Land Management

Eighty-second session

Geneva, 6-8 October 2021

Item 7(f) of the provisional agenda

**Review of the implementation of the programmes of work 2018-2019 and 2020:
Land administration and management**

Draft programme of work of the Working Party on Land Administration for 2022-2023

Note by the Bureau of the Working Party

Summary

This note contains a proposed programme of work for the Working Party on Land Administration for the years 2022 and 2023.

The Committee is invited to review and adopt the programme of work.



I. Capacity-building and international knowledge-sharing

1. Objective: To increase the capacity of ECE 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 ECE region, in person and/or online, to allow for experience- and knowledge-sharing, to improve the human capital of stakeholders and enhance practices in land administration and management;
 - (b) Contribute, as requested and available, to ECE Real Estate Market Advisory Group roundtable discussions;
 - (c) Promote the work of the Working Party, and provide advice on land administration at workshops, conferences, seminars and other events focusing on land administration and management, as well as through other channels, such as the planned regional observatory on urban-related Sustainable Development Goals;
 - (d) Provide policy advice to national and local governments in the implementation of the COVID-19 Recovery Action Plan for Informal Settlements in the ECE Region; and
 - (e) Contribute, as requested, to the work of the United Nations Committee of Experts 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 the member State's land administration arrangements, and guidelines to enhance them.
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 ECE country profiles on housing and land management.

III. Studies on selected topics in land administration and management

5. Objective: To study issues in land administration of interest to member States, and generate publications containing analyses to help member States better understand the current status of land administration and management and thus formulate more targeted and effective policies, strategies and action plans.
6. To achieve this objective, the Working Party will:
 - (a) Continue to elaborate and, if necessary, update the scenarios for future land administration and land management solutions, including the self-assessment questionnaire, taking into account Agenda 2030 and the New Urban Agenda as well as current transformative forces, such as urbanization, digitization, climate change, and open data, in order to enhance preparedness to adapt to future new developments, increase flexibility and

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

build resilience to disruptive events, such as the COVID-19 pandemic, and ensure holistic land administration and land management solutions;

(b) Initiate and continue ongoing work on benchmarking and studies related to different critical aspects of land administration, e.g., on measures to enhance data quality in land administration systems; suggest concepts and strategies for open data and data-driven solutions and practices in the support of approximation among the land administration, land management and geospatial management domains; modify educational programmes in land administration and geospatial management; analyse perceived tenure security in the ECE region; and investigate applications of emerging technologies in land administration; and

(c) Develop possible additional studies on the impact of COVID-19 on land administration and management.
