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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 2018 and 2019.

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

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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 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 ECE 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, (UN-GGIM), in line with the Economic and Social Council Resolution (E/RES/201627)¹ including the UN-GGIM Expert Group on Land Administration and Management.

II. Land administration reviews

3. Objective: To prove, 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 to support member States better understand the current status of land management and thus formulate more targeted and effective policies.
6. To achieve this objective, the Working Party will:
 - (a) Organise the subsequent benchmarking in land administration studies on issues such as cost for registration/transfer of real estate and registration of mortgages (including analysis regarding cost for notary or lawyer services, cadastre or private surveyor and land registry);
 - (b) In cooperation with the Committee on Housing and Land Management conduct a study on land consolidation and compile best practices in the ECE region;
 - (c) Carry out research on the formalization of informal real estate and informal markets;
 - (d) Carry out a comparative study on land administration services between countries with extensive land administration development experience and countries with a

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

rapid development. Identify best practices, including also the aspect of Public Private Partnerships (PPPs);

(e) Elaborate scenarios for future (5-10 years' perspective) land administration and land management solutions, take into account the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the New Urban Agenda as well as current transformative forces, such as urbanization, digitization, climate change, open data etc., in order to enhance preparedness to adapt to new future states, increase flexibility and build resilience for disruptive events and to ensure holistic land administration and land management solutions;

(f) Study challenges UNECE countries with mature land administration and land management systems are facing and share recommendations among all UNECE member states. The study also includes aspects such as adaptation to a more urban approach, relation to municipal systems, 3D cadastre, BIM etc.
