

Preliminary Agenda

Quo vadis VGGT?

Learning from the implementation experiences of other human rights-based approaches and instruments

Monday, 14 December 2015, 13:00 – 18:00, with a welcoming finger food lunch and a joint dinner
Tuesday, 15 December 2015, 09:00 – 13:00, with a joint closing lunch

**FAO Headquarters, Viale delle Terme di Caracalla, 00153 Rome, Italy
 India Room**

The joint IASS-FAO workshop focuses on the crucial nexus between human rights and land governance in the context of the human rights-based *Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forests in the Context of National Food Security* (VGGT). The idea is to learn from other processes of implementing human rights-based instruments and approaches in order to identify future strategies to further support the implementation of the VGGT. Starting with the right to food approach, we may turn to other policy and human rights issues, such as housing, business and trade, women, indigenous peoples, environment etc. What kinds of strategies have worked to achieve which outcomes? Which have not worked? What are current actions to apply the VGGT and how can they benefit from these lessons learned? Together we want to reflect on how to harness the positive effects of the human rights framework for the implementation of the VGGT while at the same time avoiding its perceived or actual pitfalls.

We would like to thank you for your interest in participating in the interactive workshop. In preparation, we kindly ask you to please prepare short inputs based on your experiences on these topics to be shared with the group. The format of these contributions will be short, informal inputs. Proceeding like this, we would like to identify additional strategies to support the successful human rights-based implementation of the VGGT. This shall also contribute to a discussion on monitoring the implementation of the VGGTs in 2016 and beyond.

Monday, 14 December 2015

13:00-14:00 *Arrival and welcoming finger food lunch (outside India Room)*

Block I: Opening & Setting the Scene

14:00-14:30 **Land governance, human rights and the VGGT implementation challenge:
 Where do we come from and where do we go?**
 Welcome, team and workshop introduction (background/rationale), tour de table
Paul Munro-Faure (FAO) and Jes Weigelt (IASS)

14:30-14:40 **Input: The global context: Linking VGGT and SDG implementation**
Alexander Müller (German Council for Sustainable Development)

Block II: Sharing experiences and lessons learned from the implementation of human rights-based approaches from different policy fields

Objective: Identify and discuss lessons learned from the implementation of other human rights-based approaches from different policy fields

Guiding Questions: Which lessons can we derive from experiences with the implementation of human rights-based approaches from different policy fields? What kinds of strategies have worked to achieve which outcomes? Which have not worked?

14:40-14:55	<p><u>Input: Analytical Framework and Lessons Learned from the Implementation of the Right to Food Approach</u> <i>Carolin Anthes (IASS)</i></p>
14:55-15:15	Discussion
15:15-16:15	<p>Exchange of experiences and lessons learned based on own work</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participants share own experiences and lessons learned in short inputs • Discussion <p><i>Facilitation by IASS & FAO</i></p>
16:15-16:35	<i>Coffee break</i>

Block III: Connecting lessons learned with VGGT implementation

Objective: Compare lessons learned with ongoing implementation activities of the VGGT

Guiding Questions: What are current actions to apply the VGGT? How can they benefit from our lessons learned?

16:35-16:50	<p><u>Input: Implementation and Monitoring of the VGGT: Where Are We At? Actions and Challenges</u> <i>Paul Munro-Faure (FAO)</i></p>
16:50-18:00	<p>Scoping of actions of VGGT implementation and comparison with lessons learned (from Block II)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participants share own experiences and lessons learned in short inputs • Discussion <p><i>Facilitation by IASS & FAO</i></p>
18:00-18:15	<p>Stocktaking Day 1, outlook on Day 2 and discussion <i>Jes Weigelt (IASS)</i></p>
19:30	<i>Invitation to a joint dinner</i>

Tuesday, 15 December 2015

Block IV: The Way Forward: Towards a human rights-based implementation of the VGGT

Objective: Develop and reflect on strategies to support the further human rights-based implementation of the VGGT

Guiding Question: How can the identified lessons learned inform strategies for the further human rights-based process of VGGT implementation (while avoiding pitfalls)?

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| 9:00-9:15 | Welcome back and agenda of the day |
| 9:15-10:45 | Plenary discussion to identify strategies for further VGGT implementation
<i>Facilitation by IASS & FAO</i> |
| 10:45-11:15 | <i>Coffee break</i> |
| 11:15-12:30 | Zooming out: linking identified strategies to the current global political context on follow up and review; plenary discussion |
| 12:30-13:00 | Wrap up & outlook
<i>Paul Munro-Faure (FAO) / Alexander Müller (German Council for Sustainable Development) / Jes Weigelt (IASS)</i> |
| 13:00 | <i>Joint closing lunch at FAO Restaurant</i> |