

# Framework for Effective Land Administration and Management

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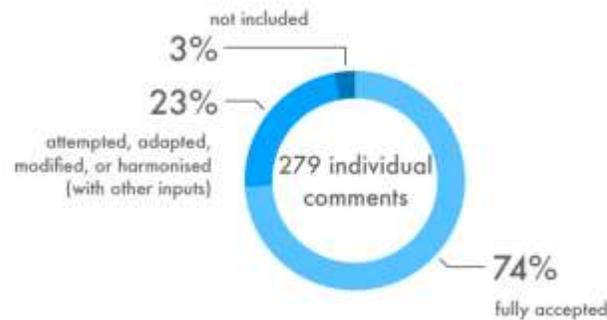
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# Global consultation process

## Framework for Effective Land Administration

### 1st FELA Consultation \*

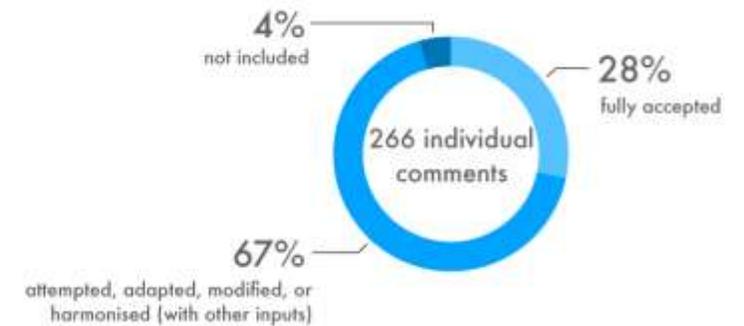
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## Framework for Effective Land Administration



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# Decision 10/107

Application of geospatial information related to land administration and management The Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management:

- a) Welcomed the report of the Expert Group on Land Administration and Management (E/C.20/2020/29), and noted its continued efforts to advocate and raise awareness of the merits and benefits of effective and efficient land administration and management through formulating and finalizing the Framework for Effective Land Administration as a reference for Member States when developing, reforming, strengthening and modernizing effective and efficient land administration processes and systems;
- b) Commended the broad global consultation and iterative review and editing process in preparing and finalizing the Framework for Effective Land Administration, taking into account the suggestions received in the written statements ahead of the tenth session of the Committee of Experts, and noted that the broad participation and responses from Member States and relevant stakeholders in the consultation ensured the global perspective of this Framework;
- c) **Welcomed and adopted the Framework for Effective Land Administration**, and requested that the Framework:
  - i. Be a living document, periodically reviewed and updated, taking into consideration political, societal, economic, environmental, and technological circumstances;
  - ii. Addresses the rights of indigenous peoples to lands, territories and resources, which they have traditionally owned, occupied or otherwise used or acquired; and
  - iii. Encourages the use of internationally recognized standards, including ISO 19152 and IHO S-121;
- d) Appreciated that the Framework for Effective Land Administration is fully aligned with the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework as an overarching policy guide supporting the achievements of the Sustainable Development Goals for both developing and developed countries, noted that transparent and secure land and property rights for all is a crucial component for an economically, socially and environmentally sustainable society; and suggested the development of an assessment mechanism that accounts for all nine pathways to support its implementation;
- e) Encouraged the expert group to continue to: raise awareness and advocate for effective land administration in ensuring the Framework's usefulness within the context of national circumstances; utilize the Implementation Guide of the Integrated Geospatial Information Framework (IGIF) as a reference resource when developing guidance to implement the Framework at a country-level; share and exchange knowledge, information and experiences, including relevant use cases, practices and examples; address cultural, professional and technological barriers, particularly in Africa; and engage and collaborate with the regional committees and thematic groups of UN-GGIM as appropriate;
- f) Noted that the COVID-19 pandemic highlighted the critical need for reliable land information to support national responses in a timely manner, and encouraged volunteered efforts from Member States to support the translation of the Framework into languages other than English.

