

United Nations Economic Commission for Europe

Report of the Meeting of the Bureau of the Working Party on Land Administration (WPLA)

4 October 2017

14:00 – 17:30 (CET)

BEV, Vienna, Austria

Attendance:

Mr. Fredrik Zetterquist (Sweden), Chair
Mr. Rik Wouters (The Netherlands), Vice-Chair
Mr. Julius Ernst (Austria)
Ms. Roberta Marconi (Italy)
Ms. Mari Khardziani (Georgia)
Ms. Chryssy Potsiou (Greece)
Mr. Konstantin Litvintcev (Russian Federation)
Ms. Tatjana Cenova (The FYR Macedonia)
Ms. Beatriz Corredor (Spain)

Observers

Ms. Galina Kirichenko (Russian Federation)
Mr. Zorancho Mukanov (The FYR Macedonia)

UNECE Secretariat

Ms. Amie Figueiredo

Item 1: Opening and adoption of the agenda

1.1 The Chair of the Working Party, Mr. Fredrik Zetterquist, opened the meeting and invited the bureau to make any amendments to the previous bureau meeting minutes and then to the agenda. No amendments were introduced.

Item 2: Programme of work 2018-2019 and including the work of Task Groups - Debrief on past events and status on actions

Capacity building and international knowledge sharing:

- 2.1 UN-GGIM: Europe 4th Plenary Meeting in Brussels, 7-8 June 2017: Chryssy Potsiou will attend the EG-LAM meeting. The Land Tenure Atlas was not discussed extensively. It should be further discussed at the next meeting.
- 2.2 The joint CVC workshop in Vienna, 5-6 October 2017 had approximately 115 participants and followed the 200th anniversary of the Austrian cadaster celebration. The [presentations](#) are available.

Land administration reviews:

- 2.3 **Belarus** pre-mission will be in early December and the mission, with all the experts, in Spring 2018, looking for experts participate the review, if anyone in the bureau is interested please notify the secretariat. **Bulgaria:** Still awaiting funding for the Belarus country profile and in discussions with Bulgaria regarding funding for their country profile.
- 2.4 Review by the bureau of the LA review guidance document. **Deadline 30 November 2017 for comments.**

Studies:

- 2.5 Benchmarking studies: The workplan of this task group needs to be discuss at the next meeting.
- 2.6 Informal settlements: Chryssy Potsiou, TG leader will review the summary document and give feedback to the secretariat for the CHLM Session. She will also see what consultants may be interested in assisting with the guidelines.
- 2.7 Land consolidation: Rik Wouters will draft the concept paper and provide it to the secretariat for the CHLM Session. FAO-Landnet, University of Munich are partners in the study, the work should be completed by end of summer 2018 and a meeting in early November with partners is planned.
- 2.8 Scenarios for future land administration and management: the task group is looking at having several roundtables to discuss future work.

Other task groups:

- 2.9 Outreach and Promotio: The activites for this task group need to be to discussed at the following meeting. If there are any other bureau members that are interested in participating in this group lease contact Howard Bushell, the task group leader. The WPLA facebook page has been closed. The WPLA linkedIn page needs to be updated with relevant information. Content should be discussed at the next meeting.
- 2.10 WPLA/REM cooperation: The workplan for this task group needs to be updated based on conversations with the REM on the Programmes of Work for both the WPLA and the CHLM. There was a proposal for a Roundtable in early spring in Madrid to discuss. All bureau members attending the CHLM session 8-9 November are invited to the REM meeting from 8:30 -10am in Room XVIII at the Palais des Nations, Geneva.

Item 3: 78th CHLM Session WPLA, 8-9 November 2017

- 3.1 The Land administration and management session will be on Wednesday, 8 November 2017, 16:30-17:00 in Room XVIII.
- 3.2 The activities of the WPLA will be presented by Mr. Fredrik Zetterquist; Update on the development of the technical guidelines for informal settlements will be given by Ms. Chryssy Potsiou and Update on the activities on Land Consolidation by Mr. Rik Wouters.
- 3.3 There will be a REM meeting on 8 November from 8:30-10am and the WPLA has been invited to participate.

3.4 there will be a Roundtable on Promoting Sustainable Real Estate Markets in the UNECE Region - Lunch seminar, 8 November 2017, from 13:00 to 15:00. Chryssy Potsiou will be a panelist.

Item 4: Upcoming events and WPLA participation

- 4.1 Registrars of Title, 24-27 October 2017, Scotland – Rik Wouters attending
- 4.2 Joint UNECE/UN-GGIM: Europe Workshop on Integrating Geospatial and Statistical Standards, 6-8 November, Stockholm
- 4.3 CHLM 78th Session, 8-9 November 2017, Geneva
- 4.4 PCC meeting, 13-15 November 2017, Estonia – Julius Ernst and Roberta Marconi attending
- 4.5 WB Land and Poverty Conference, 19-23 March 2018, Washington DC
- 4.6 FIG Congress, 6-11 May 2018
- 4.7 Eleventh Regional Conference on cadaster, June 2018 in Bulgaria

Item 5: Other Business

- 5.1 Mr. Zorancho Mukanov, Head of Sector for Real Estate Cadastre from the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia was introduced and will be contributing to the activities of the WPLA.
- 5.2 Bureau members are reminded to send to the secretariat their CV, short bio and photo to update the WPLA webpage.

Item 6: Next Bureau meeting

- 6.1 The Chair closed the meeting and reminded the bureau that the next bureau meeting will take place on Wednesday, 9 November 2017 in Geneva at the during the CHLM 70th Session from 8:30-9:30 in Room E.1014/1016.