



UNCCD COP 6 SIDE EVENT
26TH AUGUST 2003, 1:00-2:30 CONFERENCE ROOM 11
FOLLOWED BY AN INFORMAL LUNCH

LAND TENURE REFORM IN THE DRYLANDS
DRAFT AGENDA

CHAIR: PHILIP DOBIE, DIRECTOR, UNDP DRYLAND DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

1:00 — 1:15 INTRODUCTION TO SIDE EVENT

Introduction to the Global Drylands Imperative (GDI) and the integrated process of Challenging Dryland Myths at CCD COP6 and Beyond:

- ALVARO UMANA (UNDP) to open the Side Event (3 minutes) —UNDP s mandate and importance of tackling the land tenure issue for poverty alleviation and UNCCD implementation; acknowledge contributors
- CHARLES BASSET & JOANA TALAFRE (CIDA) - GDI introduction (5 minutes)
- PHILIP DOBIE (UNDP/DDC) - the Challenging Myths at COP & Beyond Process (3 minutes)

1:15 -2:05 PRESENTATION OF CHALLENGE PAPER AND DISCUSSION OF PAPER

Panel to lead discussion of the issues; Moderator: Eric Patrick (UNDP-Drylands Development Centre)

Summary of challenges highlighted in the Land Tenure Challenge Paper, by lead author, Marie-Claire Segger (CISDL, McGill University) — 5 minutes

Panel members present their points of view on the land tenure challenges outlined in the Challenge Paper (5 minutes each)

- NOEL OTTELE (EMG, SOUTH AFRICAN NGO) : *AN AFRICAN PERSPECTIVE ON LAND TENURE REFORM AND SUSTAINABLE LAND MANAGEMENT*
- PASCAL GIROT (UNDP COSTA RICA): *A LATIN AMERICAN PERSPECTIVE ON LAND TENURE REFORM AND SUSTAINABLE LAND MANAGEMENT*

- POSSIBLE 3RD PANELIST (CIDA?; OTHERWISE POSSIBLY MARIE-CLAIRE)

Inclusive discussion (20 minutes), by Challenge:

1. *How can we ensure that land tenure systems and land tenure reform processes are truly participatory, accessible, and transparent?*
2. *What institutional structures can be established at local, national and international levels to support legal aspects of land tenure security and reform?*
3. *How can national processes address the overlaps and contradictions between formal and informal, customary and modern land tenure systems, and hybrid systems?*
4. *How can rights to control over land of marginalized groups, including women, be promoted and protected?*
5. *How can land tenure systems and land tenure reform processes take a holistic, comprehensive, and co-ordinated, view of the institutional and physical environment?*

Summary of entire discussion by Philip Dobie (5 minutes)

2:05 — 2:30 WAY FORWARD AND CLOSE

Introduction to the proposed **Global Program for Tenure Innovation for Sustainable Land Management in the Drylands** by Eric Patrick (5 minutes)

Overview of the **Land Tenure Community of Practice** in Southern Africa as a possible model for generating and disseminating best policy on land tenure reform (5 minutes)

Interactive discussion primarily focusing on design of the Global Programme (10 minutes)

CONCLUSIONS AND CLOSING BY FRANK PINTO, EXECUTIVE COORDINATOR UNDP-GEF, to reiterate the process of moving beyond talk and close the session (5 minutes)

2:30 — 3:00 LUNCH AND INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS

Lunch to be served at a convenient location to be specified. Participants may want to eat something small between the close of morning sessions (normally 12:30) and the opening of the Land Tenure Side Event. Note that food is not allowed in the Conference Room.

Documentation:

1. Land Tenure Reform in the Drylands Challenge Paper (also available online at: www.undp.org/drylands)
2. Land Tenure Reform in the Drylands Fact Sheet summarizing the proposed *Global Program for Tenure Innovation for Sustainable Land Management in the Drylands*