

Land Policy Initiative

Elements of a 5-year LPI Strategic Plan and Roadmap (2012-2016)

LPI Goal

The principle goal of the LPI is “to assist member states in the implementation of the AU Declaration on land Issues and challenges in Africa, in accordance with the Framework and Guidelines on Land Policy in Africa, in order to achieve socio-economic development, peace and security, and environmental sustainability”

LPI Objectives

To facilitate the implementation of the AU Declaration of Land Issues and Challenges in Africa through:

- Advocating for the inclusion of land in the development agenda, strategies and programmes of African tri-partite organizations, Regional Economic Communities, African Member States and development partners
- Promoting networking and knowledge sharing at all levels in order to promote evidence-based land formulation and implementation
- Coordinating and galvanize the efforts of partners towards effective synergies and partnerships for the implementation of the African agenda on Land Policy, as stated in the Declaration
- Facilitate resource mobilization in sup-

Objective 6: Enhance capacity and skills in support of land policy development and implementation in Africa	
6.1 Develop and implement a strategy for capacity development in Africa	Key stakeholders on land policy development, implementation and monitoring adequately equipped with appropriate skills and capacity Report of EGM
6.2 Improve curriculum on land policy and land management in institutions of higher learning in Africa	Expertise enhanced through appropriate tertiary training on land policy formulation and implementation in Africa Guidelines for curriculum development on land policy and land management? Concept Notes/Proposals for fellowships and sabbatical programs
6.3 Conduct Action Research to fill knowledge gaps on land policy/implementation related issues	Policymakers and practitioners equipped with relevant knowledge
6.4 Provide technical assistance to member states and RECs in their efforts to address land related issues through land policy development /implementation	Enhanced skills and capacity of RECs and member states on land policy development, implementation and monitoring Reports on technical assistance and advisory Missions to RECs & Member States with key recommendations Project documents and proposals for Countries/RECs aimed at addressing land related challenges

Objective 7: Increase knowledge to facilitate evidence based land policymaking and implementation

7.1 Operationalize VALPAF (Virtual African Land Policy and Administration Facility): Database on land expert; Database on land information; Community of Practice	Enhanced tools for knowledge generation, management and dissemination for evidence based land policymaking and implementation Technical training materials on KM for land policy development/ implementation
7.2 Publish the Journal on land policy in Africa (including best practices)	Enhanced knowledge for evidence based land policymaking and implementation Journal on Land Policy in Africa (JLPA)
7.3 Hold Bi-annual Conference on land Policy in Africa	Enhanced knowledge for evidence based land policymaking and implementation Proceedings of the bi-annual conference on land policy in Africa

Objective 8: Enhance monitoring and evaluation in support of land policy formulation and implementation in Africa

8.1 Develop and implement a framework with indicators for M&E;	Enhanced M&E in support of land policy formulation and implementation Framework for M&E on land
	Report of the summit on progress in land policy development and implementation in Africa

Objective 9: Emerging Issues (Enhance the implementation of the Nairobi Action Plan on Large Scale Land Based Investments in Africa)	
9.1 Develop an assessment report on large-scale land-based investments in Africa	Fair, equitable, profitable and sustainable land-based large-scale investments in Africa Assessment Report documenting current status of land acquisitions and identifying capacity needs for governments, land and legal professionals, civil society, communities, and other stakeholders
9.2 Develop Principles and Guidelines on LSLBI	Report of Best Practices on LSLBI Principles and guidelines on LSLBI in Africa
9.3 Develop and implement and M&E framework and mechanism for LSLBI	Report of Ministers endorsing the principles on LSLBI M&E Framework with indicators on LSLBI
9.4 Develop and implement a Capacity Support framework, materials to facilitate fair, transparent, negotiations that lead to land investments	Tracking guidelines/manual on M&E on LSLBI Report to AU on tracking progress on LSLBI in Africa Capacity framework for LSLBI on land Policy briefs and brochures to promote and facilitate the use of principles and guidelines Report of Parliamentarians on LSLBI on land
	Report on sensitization for policymakers Report on sensitization for traditional leaders Report of Training Materials for legal professionals (includes NGOs) Training for Journalists (print, radio, tv) Audio and Video documentaries on LSLBI Community Drama skits, plays Legal Support sub-Facility/Team established for advising governments on LSLBI

(Footnotes)

1 This has now been mainstreamed in the other sub areas/actions.

Elements and Roadmap of Key Actions

Related Actions	Outcomes	Outputs	Year
			2012 2013 2014 2015 2016
Objective 1: Enhance the capacity of the LPI Secretariat to facilitate the implementation of the AU Declaration on Land Issues and Challenges in Africa (Declaration)			
1.1 Program Planning			
Effective strategic and planning to guide implementation of LPI Programs		5-year LPI Strategic Plan LPI Annual/Individual Work plans 5-year Budget	
1.2 Conduct study on mechanism and fund for the implementation of the AU Declaration	Enhanced capacity for implementation the AU Declaration	Recommendations on the appropriate mechanism for the implementation of the AU Declaration on land	
Recruit LPI Staff and Consultants	HR capacity enhanced to facilitate implementation of the work program towards	Chief, LPI Lead Land Expert Regional Land Expert Regional Land Expert Programme Officer M&E Officer Communication Officer Programme Assistant (Ge) Information System Assistant Land Policy Fellows (one a year) Intern (one a year) Consultants	
1.4 Hold regular LPI Steering committee meetings	Enhanced strategic management and oversight functions of the LPI	Minutes of steering committee meetings Progress report on implementation of LPI Program Report on emerging land issues	

Objective 2: Mainstream land in the agenda for Africa's development

2.1 Review work programs of African tripartite partners and advocate for inclusion of land	Land mainstreamed AUC, ECA, AfDB programs and plans	Working Paper on mainstreaming land in the work programmes of AUC, ECA & AfDB	LPI 5 years Strategic/business Plan for implementing the declaration on land issues and challenges
	Policy briefs	Advocacy and Communication materials (bulletin, bookmarks, roll-ups, presentations)	Concept notes/ proposals for res. mobilization
2.2. Review work programs of Regional Economic Communities and advocate for inclusion of land	Land included in the agenda for Africa's development: Land mainstreamed REC programs and plans	Working Paper on mainstreaming land in the work programmes of RECs Policy brief	Letters of Agreement (LOA)

Objective 3: Enhance synergies and coordination, and mobilize resources and in support of the AU Declaration on Land Issues and Challenges in Africa

3.1 Enhance synergies and coordination among partner initiatives in support of AU declaration	3.2 Synergies and coordination enhanced	Resource mobilization	LPI 5 years Strategic/business Plan for implementing synergies, coordination and joint programming of LPI and donor/development partner programmes and initiatives
4.1 Communication and advocacy strategy for land policy development and implementation	Policymakers and other stakeholders equipped with information and relevant	Strategy for enhancing synergies, coordination and joint programming of LPI and donor/development partner programmes and initiatives	Communication and advocacy strategy for land policy development and implementation

Objective 4: Improve communication and advocacy in support of LPI activities geared towards the implementation of the AU Declaration on Land Issues and Challenges in Africa

4.2 Develop and disseminate advocacy materials in support of land policy formulation and implementation	Awareness raised of land policy related commitments; areas of consensus; available tools; key land related issues and challenges	Working Papers on mainstreaming land in the strategies and development plans of national governments Policy briefs	(see communication/advocacy tools to be generated under respective issues section 5 and under emerging issues)
4.3 Disseminate LPI documents	Awareness raised of land policy related commitments; areas of consensus; available tools; key land related issues and challenges pertaining to land policy development and implementation	Advocacy tools and materials (bulletin, bookmarks, roll-ups, presentation)	Advocacy tools and materials (bulletin, bookmarks, roll-ups, presentation)

Objective 5: Enhance knowledge generation and dissemination/implementation related to land policy formulation/implementation

5.1 Disseminate LPI documents	Awareness raised of land policy related commitments; areas of consensus; available tools; key land related issues and challenges pertaining to land policy development and implementation	Updated report on the dissemination of LPI documents	LPI 5 years Strategic/business Plan for implementing synergies, coordination and joint programming of LPI and donor/development partner programmes and initiatives
5.2 Enhance knowledge generation and dissemination to raise awareness and build evidence on women's land rights	Policymakers and other stakeholders equipped with information and evidence relevant on women's land rights, pertinent to policy formulation and implementation	Publication on promoting women's land rights in Africa; best practices based on case studies	Publication on promoting women's land rights in Africa; best practices based on case studies
5.3 Enhance knowledge generation and dissemination to raise awareness and build evidence on customary land rights	Policymakers and other stakeholders equipped with information and evidence relevant on customary land rights, pertinent issues related to policy formulation and implementation cont'd	Report of e-discussion on women land rights issue	Report of e-discussion on women land rights issue
5.4 Enhance knowledge generation and dissemination to raise awareness and build evidence on land administration/governance	• Customary land rights and institutions	Reports from the Policy fora on women and rights	Reports from the Policy fora on women and rights
5.5 Enhance knowledge generation and dissemination to raise awareness and build evidence on land conflicts and alternative dispute resolution	• Building effecting land administration/governance systems	Securing land rights in customary land governance regimes/jurisdictions; best practices base on case studies	Securing land rights in customary land governance regimes/jurisdictions; best practices base on case studies
	• Land conflicts and alternative land dispute resolution (ADR)	Report of e-discussion on customary land rights	Report of e-discussion on customary land rights
		Reports from the Policy fora on customary land rights	Reports from the Policy fora on customary land rights
		Promoting Effective land administration/governance systems : best practices base on case studies	Promoting Effective land administration/governance systems : best practices base on case studies
		Report of e-discussion on land administration/governance systems	Report of e-discussion on land administration/governance systems
		Reports from the Policy forum on land administration/governance systems	Reports from the Policy forum on land administration/governance systems