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# 16<sup>th</sup> International LANDNET Workshop

Budapest, Hungary  
28-30 May 2025

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**Concept Note**  
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Since 2002, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) Regional Office for Europe and Central Asia has organized 22 annual regional workshops on land tenure topics such as land consolidation, land banking, state land management, land abandonment and land market development. Since 2010, the technical network is known as LANDNET. In June 2024, more than 100 participants from around 30 countries participated in the 15th International LANDNET workshop organized in Middelburg, Netherlands.

The 16th International LANDNET workshop will take place in a physical format during 28 – 30 May 2025 in Budapest, Hungary.

The main technical theme of the 2025 LANDNET workshop is **Land consolidation from European and Global perspectives**. This includes:

- Presenting papers from the FAO Land Tenure Journal special issue on land consolidation
- Sharing experiences and good practices on land consolidation between European countries and bringing in global experiences
- Capacity development on land consolidation and land banking
- Land consolidation and land banking as instruments for combatting climate change and land degradation
- Participation of landowners, farmers and the broader local community in land consolidation
- Women's land rights and tenure security
- Development and regulation of agricultural land markets

The workshop is organized together with the FAO Regional Technical Platform on Green Agriculture:

- <https://www.fao.org/platforms/green-agriculture/en>
- <https://www.fao.org/platforms/green-agriculture/areas-of-work/natural-resources-biodiversity-green-production/land-management-instruments/en/>

The workshop will take place over two and a half days. The workshop language is English with interpretation to Russian language.

# Workshop agenda

**Wednesday, 28 May 2025**

08:30 – 09:00	Registration of participants
<b>Session 1: Opening</b>	
Moderator: Mr Morten Hartvigsen, FAO	
09:00 – 09:10	Welcome by Mr Raimund Jehle, FAO Regional Programme Leader
09:10 – 09:20	Overview of the programme and setting the scene for the workshop by Mr Morten Hartvigsen, FAO
09:20 – 09:30	Presentation of FAO Regional Technical Platform on Green Agriculture by Ms Tania Santivanez, FAO
09:30 – 09:50	Keynote: After a century of land consolidation in Europe – taking stock and looking forward by Mr Morten Hartvigsen, FAO
09:50 – 10:00	Q&A and discussion
10:00 – 10:30	<i>Coffee &amp; Tea Break</i>
<b>Session 2: Land consolidation in Europe (presentation of Land Tenure Journal papers)</b>	
Moderator: Professor Evelin Jürgenson, Estonian University of Life Sciences	
10:30 – 10:45	Land consolidation in Poland by Mr Jaroslaw Janus, University of Agriculture in Krakow
10:45 – 11:00	Land consolidation in North Macedonia by Ms Kristina Mitic-Arsova, FAO
11:00 – 11:25	Q&A
11:25 – 11:40	Land consolidation in Denmark by Mr Erik Blaabjerg, Ministry of Green Transition
11:40 – 11:55	Land consolidation in Türkiye by Mr Firat Arslan, Alanya Alaaddin Keykubat University
11:55 – 12:20	Q&A and discussion
12:20 – 12:30	Group photo
12:30 – 13:30	<i>Lunch</i>
<b>Session 3: Land consolidation and land banking as instruments for enhancing climate resilience and combatting land degradation</b>	
Moderator: Mr Bradley Paterson, FAO	
13:30 – 13:50	Keynote: FAO support to countries for climate action and addressing land degradation by Mr Igor Slavkoski, FAO
13:50 – 14:05	Secure land rights and land administration tools for combatting land degradation by Mr Bradley Paterson, FAO
14:05 – 15:00	Facilitated panel discussion and audience Q&A on good practices for land consolidation and land banking to enhance climate resilience and combat land degradation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Mr Jan Spijkerboer, Senior Rural Surveyor, Kadaster</li> <li>– Mr Erik Blaabjerg, Land Consolidation Planner, Danish Agency for Green Transition and Aquatic Environment, under the Ministry of Green Transition</li> <li>– Mr Aleksandre Tchkoïdze, Second Category Senior Specialist, Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia</li> </ul>
15:00 – 15:30	<i>Coffee &amp; Tea Break</i>
<b>Session 4: Participation of landowners, farmers and the broader community in the land consolidation process</b>	
Moderator: Mr Jan Spijkerboer, Dutch Kadaster	
15:30 – 15:45	Participation of local stakeholders in the land consolidation process by Mr Maxim Gorgan, FAO
15:45 – 16:00	Active engagement of landowners and farmers in land consolidation projects in the Netherlands by Mr Gerjan Meijer, Kadaster Netherlands
16:00 – 16:15	Active engagement and participation of residents in rural areas by Mr Hans Vandermaelen, Flemish Institute for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food Research, Belgium
16:15 – 16:30	Involving stakeholders in the green transition of Danish agriculture on national and local level by Mr Jeppe Skovgaard Brandtoft, Ministry of Green Transition, Denmark
16:30 – 17:00	Q&A and discussion

## Thursday, 29 May 2025

### Session 5: Women's land rights and tenure security

Moderator: Mr Bradley Paterson, FAO

09:00 – 09:20	Women's land rights and tenure security: FAO global and regional perspectives by Ms Marianna Bicchieri, FAO
09:20 – 09:35	Strengthening and securing women's land rights in the Western Balkans by Ms Kristina Mitic-Arsova, FAO
09:35 – 10:30	Facilitated panel discussion and audience Q&A <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Ms Ana Benoliel Coutinho, Leading Coordinator, NGO Gradina Moldovei</li> <li>– Ms Aylin Çelik, Project Coordinator and Senior Land Management Advisor, FAO</li> <li>– Ms Kristina Mitic-Arsova, FAO</li> </ul>
10:30 – 11:00	<i>Coffee &amp; tea break</i>

### Session 6: Global land consolidation experiences

Moderator: Mr Morten Hartvigsen, FAO

11:00 – 11:20	Land consolidation in Morocco by Mr Noureddine Khribech, Regional Office for the Agricultural Development of Doukkala
11:20 – 11:40	Land consolidation in China by Mr Zhang Xiaobin, Lanzhou University
11:40 – 12:00	Land consolidation in Ethiopia by Mr Nenad Gvozdenovic and Mr Ulf Neupert, GIZ
12:00 – 12:20	Land Consolidation and Participatory Water Management in Thailand by Mr Sarayut Ngootip, Royal Irrigation Department
12:20 – 13:00	Q&A and discussion
13:00 – 14:00	<i>Lunch</i>

### Session 7: Capacity development and launch of the FAO eLearning course on land consolidation and land banking

Moderator: Mr Giedrius Pašakarnis, Vytautas Magnus University

14:00 – 14:20	Building capacity for land consolidation and land banking and preparation of FAO eLearning course by Mr Maxim Gorgan, FAO
14:20 – 14:40	Ukrainian experiences with the Curriculum for a Master's Course on land consolidation and land banking by Professor Taras Ievsiukov, NUBIP, Ukraine
14:40 – 15:00	Updates on land consolidation and education of land professionals in Slovakia by Ms Zlatica Muchova, Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra, Slovakia
15:00 – 15:30	Q&A and discussion
15:30 – 16:00	<i>Coffee &amp; tea break</i>

### Session 8: Election of LANDNET Board

Moderator: Mr Jan Spijkerboer, Dutch Kadaster

16:00 – 17:00	Election of new LANDNET Board
18:30 – 21:30	<i>Common dinner</i> Marumba Restaurant <a href="https://marumba.hu/en">https://marumba.hu/en</a> <a href="https://maps.app.goo.gl/P81yNG4LCzKeQhxt9">https://maps.app.goo.gl/P81yNG4LCzKeQhxt9</a>

## Friday, 30 May 2025

### Session 9a: Development and regulation of agricultural land markets

Moderator: Mr Maxim Gorgan, FAO

09:00 – 09:20	The need to develop and regulate agricultural land markets by Mr Andrew Cartwright, Central European University
09:20 – 09:35	The negative impacts of outdated land registration and absent owners by Ms Inés Santé Riveira, University of Santiago de Compostela, Galicia, Spain
09:35 – 09:50	Experiences in promoting land registration in Europe and Asia by Mr Caleb Johnson, World Bank
09:50 – 10:20	<i>Coffee &amp; Tea Break</i>

### Session 9b: Development and regulation of agricultural land markets and closing of the workshop

Moderator: Mr Andrew Cartwright, Central European University

10:20 – 10:35	Lessons learned from opening the agricultural land market in Ukraine by Professor Andrii Martyn, NUBIP, Ukraine
10:35 – 10:50	Experiences with land market development in Türkiye by Mr Senol Özdemir, GDAR, Türkiye
10:50 – 11:05	Providing access to land and developing an agricultural land market in Uzbekistan by Mr Oybek Soatov, Ministry of Agriculture, Uzbekistan
11:05 – 11:50	Facilitated panel discussion with presenters from Sessions 9a and 9b, and audience Q&A
11:50 – 12:05	Closing of the workshop by Mr Morten Hartvigsen, FAO
12:05 – 13:30	<i>Lunch</i>