

Rule of Law, Democracy and Rights

Land, Property and Conflict

Prepared as a professional course profile for delegate review, sponsorship approval and organisational training planning.

COURSE CODE

MSD2693

DELIVERY

Online / Face-to-Face

DURATION

Flexible

PREPARED FOR

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Course Overview

Land and property issues, including their access to, control over, and use of all related resources, are commonly among the drivers of conflict and violence. During the conflict, land is not only part of the physical battleground but its control and conquest is symbolic of power and gain. It is used as a tool to score political points, fund war efforts, mobilize popular support and build alliances; while its spoilage or occupation strategically undermines opponents.

Land, property and related resources are also used as highly political pawns in peace negotiations and post-conflict recovery. Land and property grievances, whether new or old, and their mismanagement, can threaten or unravel a hard-won peace.

Course Outcomes

- Identify a range of complex land and property disputes and assess their relation to a particular conflict;
- Understand the various mandates and entry points of international actors with regard to land and property disputes;
- Assess the desirability of a range of intervention options for addressing land and property disputes in a given context;
- Apply lessons learned from several case studies of complex conflict-related land and property disputes;
- Understand and apply over-arching “principles of engagement” to interventions related to land and property disputes.

Course Outline / Curriculum

INTERNATIONAL ACTORS AND MANDATES

- Map the range of international actors engaged in land and property issues
- Understand the various mandates, perspectives and entry points of these actors and how this has evolved

NATIONAL ACTORS AND FRAMEWORKS

- Map the national actors engaged on land and property issues
- Understand different national legal frameworks for land and property, including customary law and legal pluralism

INSECURE TENURE

- Explore how tenure insecurity can lead to conflict
- Understand forms and causes of tenure insecurity
- Case studies: Sudan, Kenya, China

FORCED MIGRATION AND DISPLACEMENT

- Understand forced migration and displacement in conflict
- Explore the land and property aspects of displacement and return
- Critically assess the emerging international legal framework
- Case Study: Forestry and Conflict in Liberia

LAND GRABS AND THE “NATURAL RESOURCE CURSE”

- Resource Persons: John Bruce and Deborah Isser
- Understand the nature and scope of the issues
- Examine entry points for engagement
- Case Study: Land Grabbing in Burma

EMERGENCY RESPONSE

- Explore how to protect and/or preserve land rights in crisis
- Provide overview of mapping and data
- Case-study: land and shelter in Haiti

LAND POLICY AND ADMINISTRATION

- Programming to support legal protection of property rights
- Programming to support land reform (redistribution, land use management, access to housing)

TRANSITIONAL JUSTICE CONSIDERATIONS AND POSTCONFLICT LAND ISSUES

- Explore relevance and impact of transitional justice for addressing post-conflict land issues
- Highlight conditions for victims-centered approach
- Case Study: Addressing Land from a Peace Building Perspective in the Democratic Republic of Congo

DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- Programming to support peaceful means of resolving disputes related to displacement and otherwise
- From property claims commissions to community mediation

Target Audience

Land, Property and Conflict Course

Key Course Benefits

Work-Ready Skills

Delegates leave with practical tools, templates and methods they can apply immediately at work.

Better Institutional Results

The programme supports stronger planning, reporting, compliance, accountability and service delivery.

Sponsor-Friendly

This document is designed to help supervisors, HR units and sponsors approve delegate participation quickly.

Professional Recognition

Delegates receive training documentation and a certificate of completion after successful participation.

Our Training Centres & Delivery Options

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Online, E-Learning

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Approval & Authorisation Form

This section may be completed by the organisation, department, HR office, finance office or sponsor approving delegate participation. It can be attached to an internal memo, procurement request or training approval submission.

Organisation / Department	
Delegate Name(s)	
Approved Course	Land, Property and Conflict
Preferred Delivery Mode	<input type="checkbox"/> Online <input type="checkbox"/> Face-to-Face <input type="checkbox"/> Organisation-Based Training
Preferred Training Venue / Date	
Estimated Number of Delegates	
Budget / Vote Number	
Contact Person	
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Authorised Name

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Date