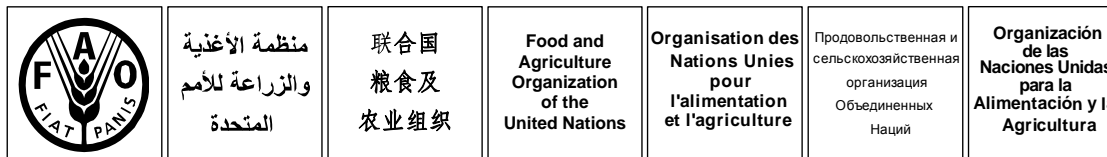


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Evaluation of FAO's work in tenure, rights and access to land and other natural resources - update on implementation of recommendations

1. An interdepartmental process, coordinated by the Natural Resource Management and Environment Department, has been launched to bring FAO's work in tenure, rights and access to land within the framework of the Voluntary Guidelines for the Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land Fisheries and Forests, as endorsed by the Committee on World Food Security.
2. Substantial progress has been made in developing with partners the programme for support to the implementation of the Voluntary Guidelines, including securing substantial additional budgetary resources, with a target of USD 20-30 million, of which approximately USD 10 million has already been either committed or made available.
3. These developments have been widely publicized and discussed, including at the technical meeting on *Supporting the Implementation of the Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forests* held at FAO on 4 and 5 October 2012. Support for implementation is now actively under way. Normative work is more widely and effectively publicized, including through a new Web site, and a communication strategy is being developed. More balanced country programmes are being developed by systematic involvement in the Country Programming Framework process.
4. Dissemination and awareness raising, training and e-learning are being planned and will be implemented across all regions for the Voluntary Guidelines, including strategies to improve awareness at headquarters and decentralized offices. Resources to provide dedicated cover for support in emergencies are being sought. Work is ongoing on providing advice and strengthened support regarding large-scale land acquisitions by foreign investors.

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