VG on the Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forests in the Context of National Food Security in Brazil

TERRITORIAL MANAGEMENT AND LAND GOVERNANCE

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• On 16/10/2013, in the context of the II National Conference for Sustainable Rural Development, before 1400 delegates, Brazil will launch its National Committee for 2014 International Year of Family Farming

• The Committee will be composed of government and civil society members

• It will debate and address the implementation of the VG in the country.
• FAO is doing a synthesis of the VG, in the form of a matrix
• The government also is finalising a synthesis of what has been doing in terms of governance, before and after the passing of the VG
• The Committee will be de forum for debating and addressing the VG in Brazil
Actions to promote equality

- Family Farming Law provides specific public policies for family farmers and traditional communities: credit, technical assistance, value addition
- Titling of afro-descendants and traditional communities’ land rights
- Land ombudsman and National Commission Against Violence in the rural areas.
- Affirmative actions for gender equality
  - Joint titling / National Programme for the issuing of Legal Documentation for Rural Women
Redistributive actions, market access and environmental sustainability.

- **Agrarian Reform**
  - 1,2 million families settled - 76,1 million hectares destined to settlement projects

- **Lan titling (Title Deeds, Amazon Region, National Land Cadastre System)**

- **Credit and marketing systems (PAA, Pronaf, More Food Program, Agricultural Insurance)**

- **Technical Assistance**

- **Projects and Programmes for Environmental Sustainability**
Monitoring and managing land conflicts

- Legal framework for foreign land acquisitions
- Territorial management systems:
  - 46,9 thousand farms certified = 116,9 million hectares;
  - Georeferrence of 178,4 thousand farms = 7,7 million hectares;
  - 5,6 million hectares identified in the formal Amazon region = 265 thousand family farmers.
Challenges ahead

• National System for Land Governance, includes: States, Municipalities and the three levels of administration (Executive, Legislative and Judiciary)
  – Database and geospatial management system (puts together all disposable information such as: maps, datas, environmental and tributary information, land cadastre data);
  – Juridical framework for foreign acquisition of land rights

• Permanent Negotiation Committees and Land Reconciliations Chambers: deal directly with conflicts’ resolution and settle queries of traditional communities and other land conflicts.
Obrigado!

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