GENERAL REGULATORY BACKGROUND

- Real Estate Formation Act 1997
  - Law about all Cadastral Surveying
  - Land Consolidation included as was in previous Laws since 1757
  - 1916 – 2018 no major changes to LC laws
  - Changes in policy – not in law
- Land Consolidations Subsidies Act 2014
  - Similar to 1981 Act
- Maanmittauslaitos, National Land Survey of Finland
  - Responsible for Cadastral Surveying, Cadaster, Land Register, Land Consolidations, Expropriations, Topographic mapping..
  - Cadastral Surveyor (toimitusinsinööri) of NLS Finland acts as chairman, project manager and judge in Land Consolidations
RECENT ORGANIZATIONAL & LEGISLATIVE CHANGES

• New organization of NLS Finland 2014
  • New Land Consolidations – unit responsible for whole country
• Change to LC Subsidies 2016
  • Earlier % based subsidies for cadastral fee
  • Now preliminary research and planning phase are free to land owners and implementation phase is charged from land owners

SPECIAL REPORT TO LAND CONSOLIDATIONS IN FINLAND 2016

Proposed actions:
1. Public awareness of Land Consolidations must be improved
2. Benefits of Land Consolidations must be recognized
3. LC must be integrated to be part of RDP
4. Past tracking of Land Consolidations must be comprehensive
5. Continuity and process efficiency of LC must be improved
6. Agricultural Land Consolidations is diversified
7. Payment system is simplified
8. Legislation is improved
9. Farm structure change is supported in LC
10. Improvement of LC financing
1. PUBLIC AWARENESS OF LAND CONSOLIDATIONS MUST BE IMPROVED

- 1995 – 2015 Marketing of Land Consolidations was done thru local ad hoc measures
  - Partly EU-funded marketing projects
  - Marketing was not coherent and it was depended on local initiatives

- In 2017 NLS established Land Consolidations information and marketing virtual team (6 persons around Finland)

WORK PLAN OF INFORMATION AND MARKETING VIRTUAL TEAM 2017-2018

- Meetings for spreading LC information
  - Local farmers 17 + 10
  - Stakeholders 20 + 20
  - Schools 5 + 5

- Renovation of LC-marketing materiel
  - Pwp slides
  - WWW-pages
  - LC-Video
  - LC-Prochure
  - Media bulleting layout

- Social media – Facebook, Twitter

- Collection of information of current and past LC-projects
COMPREHENSIVE OR FARM DRIVEN LAND CONSOLIDATION

- **Comprehensive**
  - Total renovation of restricted area
  - 500 – 2500 hectares
  - Renovation of drainage system and agricultural roads
  - Time table 3-6 years
  - Majority approval
  - Can be mandatory for some

- **Farm driven**
  - Only parcels of development oriented farms are consolidated
  - LC-area can be scattered
  - 100 – 1000 hectares
  - No renovation of drainage system and agricultural roads
  - In practice voluntary
  - Time table 1-4 years

- Land Banking in both
- Same legislation
- Pleniminary research and planning is free for land owners

SURVEY OF POSSIBILITIES TO IMPROVE AGRICULTURAL PARCEL STRUCTURE

- NLS Finland made survey in 2013
  - Natural circumstances
  - Current parcel structure
  - Improvements achieved in LC

- [https://www.maanmittauslaitos.fi/sites/maanmittauslaitos.fi/files/old/Peltoalueiden%2520tilusrakenne%2520ja%2520sen%2520parantamismahdollisuudet.pdf](https://www.maanmittauslaitos.fi/sites/maanmittauslaitos.fi/files/old/Peltoalueiden%2520tilusrakenne%2520ja%2520sen%2520parantamismahdollisuudet.pdf)
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**NEW PWP SLIDES**

- Bigger parcels closer to farm house
- Future is made with Land Consolidations
- Down with farming cost
- More efficient parcel structure for decades to come
- Fields from horse times to the future

**Land Consolidation is toolbox for farmer**
LC MARKETING VIDEO
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