

IMPROVING GOVERNANCE OF TENURE OF LAND, FISHERIES AND FORESTS

The Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forests in the Context of National Food Security, known as the VGGT, promote secure tenure rights and equitable access to land, fisheries and forests. Their overarching goals are to achieve food security for all, and support the progressive realization of the right to adequate food. Liberia, Mongolia and Sierra Leone are among the first countries to make significant progress in implementing the VGGT. Maintaining government commitment and the general momentum around the VGGT is key to ensuring their internalization, and related processes in national programmes.



GOAL

The project assists in identifying and strengthening the innovative approaches adopted by the three target countries, to put the VGGT principles into practice. This sets an inspiring example for others, and creates a space for a two-way dialogue among countries and at global level.

IMPACT

The project supports countries in improving the governance of tenure of land, fisheries and forests. This contributes to the eradication of hunger and poverty, and to sustainable development and sustainable use of the environment.



KEY FACTS

Contribution

USD1 610 000

Duration

March 2017 – February 2019

Resource Partners

Federal Government of Germany,
Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture
(BMEL)

Partners

Government of Liberia, Government of
Mongolia, Government of Sierra Leone

Beneficiaries

1. Individuals/institutions directly involved with VGGT institutional frameworks and activities in the three target countries, including governments, civil society, academia, private sector, international and national Non-governmental Organizations and United Nations agencies.
2. Farmers/small-scale producers, indigenous peoples, local communities, ethnic minorities, women, orphaned children, widows, illiterate populations, disabled people and the elderly.

APPROACH

The project aims to capitalize on the successes achieved by the three target countries during the first phase of its implementation. The second phase focuses on achieving country-level results, while maintaining a global profile in terms of dialogue, and the development and dissemination of capacity-building materials. The activities include:

- preparing, distributing and promoting the use of documentation and communication material on VGGT implementation;
- developing and publishing a technical guide on VGGT implications for spatial planning;
- promoting VGGT implementation by strengthening and developing the capacity of VGGT institutional settings in the three target countries;
- identifying and protecting customary tenure rights in Sierra Leone;
- increasing general public capacity to participate in tenure governance in Liberia; and
- supporting the development of the pastoral land law in Mongolia.



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



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Project Title

Promoting strategic intervention to achieve long-term implementation of the Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forests (VGGT)

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