



**Advancing Collaborative Research  
in Responsible and Smart  
Land Management in and for Africa**

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## TUM Message from

### Dear Reader,

It is easier to discuss research and capacity development on Africa than to actually go to the continent to carry out on-the-ground activities with African institutions. In this regard, ADLAND has made a successful start with planning and implementing its activities.

We will like to thank the GIZ for their funding, and all ADLAND partners for their collaborative efforts in ADLAND activities.

This Newsletter presents snapshots of the crucial activities (and missions) conducted since the inception of ADLAND starting from November 2017 until date. It also provides an overview of activities yet to take place, and more. It is not meant to be a detailed information package of everything that has been happening in the ADLAND consortium. Please always feel free to contact the Project Coordinator, for detailed information about the activities, schedules and deliverables.

The Newsletter does not present any opinion about ADLAND, its work or that of its partners. It only provides brief description of executed and upcoming missions and activities, followed by other crucial news.

We wish you an inspiring reading!

*Eugene & Walter*

## EXECUTED MISSIONS FOR NEEDS ASSESSMENT

### Rwanda Mission: INES-Ruhengeri

Prof. de Vries carried out a needs assessment of INES, in Rwanda during the period of 4 – 6 December 2017. The mission led to a brief documentation of the role of INES in Land Management, its position in NELGA and EALAN Network, its relevance as NELGA and ADLAND partner; and its immediate needs in terms of research and capacity development in land governance.

### Ghana Mission: KNUST

Dr. Chigbu, was in Ghana (KNUST) on a consultation mission from 6-8 December 2017. He brought back a brief report on the land governance capacity of KNUST as an Excellency Centre in West Africa. The report also included the immediate needs of KNUST in the context of NELGA/ADLAND activities, combined with a time plan that was based on the KNUST staff inputs.



ADLAND representatives with the international participants at the Ghana Workshops. ©Chigbu

### Tanzania Mission: Ardhi University

Dr. Hendricks visited Ardhi University (Tanzania) from 5-8 December 2017 to carry out a needs assessment of the Ardhi University as part of the fact-finding mission of ADLAND.

### Namibia Mission: NUST

Prof. Voß visited NUST (Namibia) during the period of 12-13 April 2018. There he conducted a needs assessment of NUST which has been integrated in the activities of ADLAND in Southern Africa.

## PROJECTS / ACTIVITIES ALREADY IMPLEMENTED

The consultation missions conducted in Ghana, Namibia, Rwanda and Tanzania revealed the needs of the collaborating NELGA nodes and established the basis to agree on dates for the core activities of ADLAND. Of these activities, some have been executed and some are at their planning stages. The executed activities are briefly presented here.

### Curricula Study workshop at Ardhi University

A Curricula Study (capacity building) workshop was carried out by Prof. Zevenbergen in Ardhi University (Tanzania) during the period of 14-18 May 2018.

### Refresher course workshop on GIS in INES-Ruhengeri

Dr. Scherfert and Dr. Lengoiboni carried out a workshop on GIS land administration and GIS training at the Institute of Applied Sciences (Rwanda) during the period of 22-2 May 2018.

### Refresher course on land consolidation at KNUST

Together, Dr. Hendricks and Mr. Bendzko jointly carried out a Refresher course on land consolidation at KNUST (Ghana) during the period of 4-8 June 2018



These Workshops in international participation from Eastern, Western and Southern African countries.

These photos show the workshop participants during the two workshops held in Ghana in June 2018.

Top right/left are workshop sessions. Bottom left are the ADLAND representatives that facilitated the workshops.

Bottom right are some of the international participants.

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### Research development workshop in Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (Ghana)

Prof. Zevenbergen and Dr. Chigbu conducted a Research Development Workshop at KNUST during the period of 4-6 June 2018. This workshop was done the same week when Dr. Hendricks and Mr. Bendzko jointly carried out a Refresher course on land consolidation.

## UPCOMING ACTIVITIES, PUBLICATION AND OTHER NEWS

Here are a list of up coming activities and other news of interest to ADLAND partners or for ADLAND's work in Africa.

### UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

1. Curricula Study in Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (Ghana). This is now in preparation. ADLAND staff availability to be confirmed.
2. Curricula Study in NUST: NUST suggested the venue to be changed to the University of Zambia in Lusaka (part of NELGA network in Southern Africa). Possibility of changing the venue is to be consulted with GIZ, in case of positive answer, the preparation actions could take place.
3. Research development in Ruhengeri Institute of Applied Sciences (Rwanda): Scheduled for 06-10.08.2018. It is now in preparation. ADLAND staff availability confirmed, concept note being drafted.
4. Research writing workshop in Namibia University of Science and Technology (Namibia): Scheduled for 20-24.08.2018 and now in preparation. ADLAND staff availability confirmed, concept note being drafted.
5. Research writing workshop in Ardhi University (Tanzania): Scheduled for 06-10.08.2018 and now in preparation. ADLAND staff availability confirmed, concept note being drafted.
6. Lecturer exchange: Scheduled for 01-31.08.2018 (yet to be confirmed). Guest from Ruhengeri Institute of Applied Sciences (Rwanda) coming to TUM.
7. Research writing workshop in Addis Ababa (Ethiopia): To be decided
8. Lecturer exchange: To be decided
9. Conferences: To be decided

### TUM Laura Bassi enhancement Funding program 2018/2019

The Laura Bassi program is a research stay program at TUM funded for African female Masters, PhD and Post-Doc scholars interested in a research stay at TUM for few months. The TUM Gender Equality Officer is in charge of awarding the funding and positions. The core scientific topic for the Laura Bassi program for this current application are Interdisciplinary math and Energy. All applications, as well as notifications of discontinuation, should be directed to the Gender Equality Officer, via email to [sandmann@tum.de](mailto:sandmann@tum.de) until 17.09.2018.

### PUBLICATION

Chigbu U. E., de Vries W. T., Duran D. P., Schopf A. and Bendzko T. (2018). Advancing collaborative research in responsible and smart land management in and for Africa: The ADLAND model. Presented at the World Bank Conference on Land and Poverty, March 19 – 23, Washington DC.

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