Expanding and Leveraging Private Sector Interest in Securing Community Land Rights

SUMMARY REPORT:

Taking Stock and Identifying Practical Steps Forward -

Technical Follow-up to the Interlaken Conference and Preparation for the Meeting of the Interlaken Group March 19-20, 2014

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I. Introduction

The meeting in Bellagio in February 2014 can be seen as a bridging or preparatory phase between the planned Interlaken Group meeting in London, March 19-20, and the September 20013 Interlaken meeting.

The main objectives of the meeting were to develop a more concrete vision and roadmap for expanding and leveraging private sector interest in securing community land rights, and develop recommendations for the design and inception phase of the tenure facility, and other priority initiatives as relevant.

The meeting aimed at increasing the understanding of challenges and opportunities related to land-based investment in forest and other natural resources from the perspective of a range of private sector players while paying attention to development of approaches and solutions that would simultaneously serve the interests of local smallholders, communities and indigenous people. A related conceptual framework – Foundations of Sustainable and Equitable Investment in Forest and Other Land Resources – was developed.

In the meeting, the key investor and other private sector actors and their interests and exposures regarding land rights were mapped together with existing or planned action – including the recommendations of the September 2013 Interlaken recommendations – to address their needs and leverage that interest. At the same time, major gaps and preliminary priorities for action were identified and prioritized for action to expand and leverage private sector interest in securing community land rights. It is expected that this framework would be further developed and refined to become a more concrete Roadmap at the subsequent meeting of the Interlaken Group in London with inputs from company and investor representatives who have made commitments to support community land rights.

The main Bellagio Meeting Outcomes and Outputs are summarized in the following.

II. Investor Typology and Land Related Risks

The volume of investments in land-based resources in developing and emerging countries has been increasing rapidly in the last decade. Some of these investments have

been associated with "land grabbing", with various negative impacts on the livelihoods of local people and communities and even human rights. At the same time, it is understood that more foreign and local investments are needed to introduce better technologies, bring existing resources under more efficient and sustainable use, and increase both production and productivity of various land-resource based production systems including those relying on smallholders and communities. So, in a way, private investors (corporations and financiers) are both a part of the problem and solution. From the perspective of a responsible investor emerging (frontier) markets offer interesting opportunities to expand investments and grow, but the playing field for investors must be levelled and risks, including those related to land, understood better and also mitigated. This would benefit the private sector, communities and national governments due to shared values, interests and risk— as is demonstrated in the theory of change "model" in Section III.

To understand better the needs and motivations of the private investors, as regards land tenure related risks, it is important to understand better how different investors vary in terms of their investment motivation, governance system, investment cycle and horizon, and what role land tenure related risks play in their respective investment cycles, how they could manage those risks, and what kind of services/support/tools they may need in managing the risks. Such an initial typology was developed and used to identify "business cases" and mechanisms for engaging the private sector more actively in efforts to respect and invest in systematically addressing local/community land rights' issues.

The main investor categories involved in investing and financing forestry, agricultural and other land-based resources are:

- Smallholders, communities: often micro-entrepreneurs and operating in the informal sector.
- (National) SMEs. In many developing and emerging countries the most important investors in terms of employment and income generation in particular in rural areas.
- (Large-scale) corporate investors: Industry companies operating in agriculture and integrated food processing, forestry and integrated processing, mining, and bioenergy. There are also other sectors (e.g. private infrastructure and transport) but these four sectors dominate land-based private investments.
- Financial investors:
 - o Private equity funds PEF) investing in timberland, agriculture, land, bioenergy
 - Sovereign wealth funds (SWFs)
 - Pension funds (PF), which most often invest into other funds or companies, but also sometimes directly into land assets such as timberland
 - International development finance institutions (DFI, such as IFC) and leading banks
 - Endowments.

There is no systematic data available that would allow identifying the relative shares of various types of investors in large-scale land-based investments in developing countries. In media, corporate investors, especially foreign direct investment (FDI), and SWFs (e.g. from Asia Middle East) dominate the discussion. SWFs and pensions funds (PF) control a major share of global investment funds, and hence are important also for investments in land-based resources. They invest into land resources mainly indirectly but the role of SWFs is becoming increasingly important, and they dominate foreign investments in

land resources in some Central African or Eastern African countries. Investments by timberland funds and funds specialized in agriculture are also increasing, as is the number of such funds. However, it is important to note that e.g. in the Sub-Saharan Africa domestic farmers, SMEs and in some cases large domestic companies are the most important investors; the same applies e.g. to Brazil. South-to South investments are also increasing. Also, it is important to recognize the increasing linkages between international and national companies.

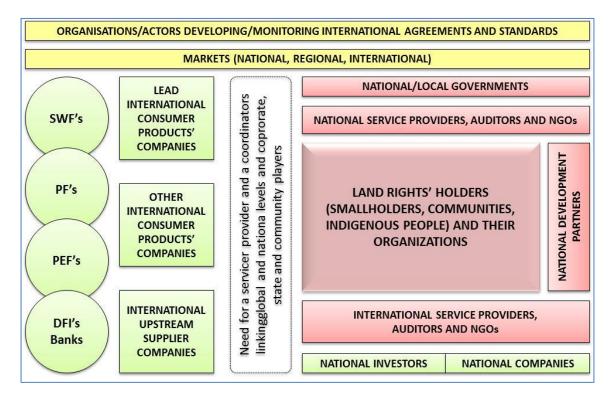
The key investors are mapped and categorized in Annex 1 in terms of their investment objectives/motivation, nature of operation and investment, and governance system. The resulting "ecosystem" of stakeholders influencing investments in forest and other land resources is presented graphically in Figure 1.

The developed typology was used to structure answers to the following four important questions:

- What are the main land tenure related risks and opportunities for creating shared value, increased yields and growth?
- Which are the key investors/companies/financiers, and the key sectors to be targeted? (Based on size, leverage, accessibility)
- Who are the related strategic (individual) players to be engaged?
- What kind of tools/ initiatives/business models are needed to influence the behavior
 of the strategic players and get them engaged? Initiatives were divided into following
 categories: existing, under development, and gaps (need to undertake new action))

Annex 2 summarizes the discussion on these questions. However, it was found necessary to further prioritize the key problems, opportunities and needed action in order to move towards an initial roadmap facilitating implementation of priority action and identification of key roles for different actors. Three working groups representing (1) communities and national SMEs, (2) Corporations dealing with land resources, and (3) Financial sector were formed to prioritize action. Their recommendations/priorities are presented in Annex 3. All of these outputs were used to develop an initial framework for expanding and leveraging private sector interest in securing community land rights to the mutual interest (see Section III). Based on this analysis it was apparent that there is a need in the ecosystem for a facility/forum/mechanisms that would be supporting and helping to coordinate activities at the national level. In Annex 4 the same ecosystem is presented but together with the "facility" showing the coordination and support linkages.

Figure 1 Ecosystem" of Stakeholders Influencing Investment in Forest and Other Land Resources

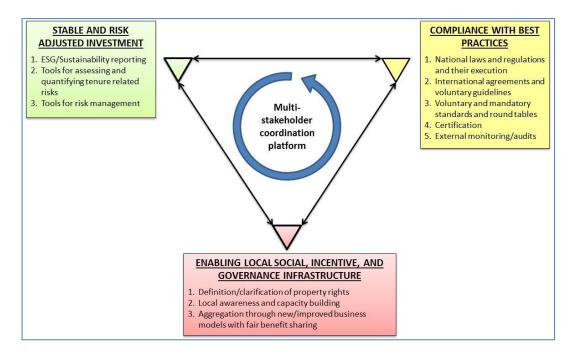


III. The Foundations for Sustainable and Equitable Investment in Forest and other Land Resources and Related Framework for Action

The foundations – or three cornerstones – on which the change towards sustainable and equitable investments in forest and other land resource development can be built are presented in Figure 2. All three corners need to be in place to create the enabling conditions for responsible investment, and simultaneously close the door for irresponsible actors looking to maximize short-term profits regardless of social and environmental impacts and long-term sustainability. In addition, an integrating and coordinating platform is required to facilitate coordinated and cost effective action.

Most of the recommendations made by the Bellagio participants concerning priority action can be structured around the three separate corners with their own key actors. However, in order to structure the proposed action it was necessary to recognize interconnections (and current disconnects) between different main groups of actors within a conceptual model. The analysis suggests that there is a need for a mechanism/facility that would help linking the different actors at different levels; hence in the middle of the Figure 2 one can find a "Multistakeholder" Coordinating Platform". Figure 2 does not display the key actors, which can be found in Figure 1. To demonstrate the linkages between the key actors (see the figure on the ecosystem) and their links to action within the three key elements, same colours have been used in Figure 1 and Figure 2.

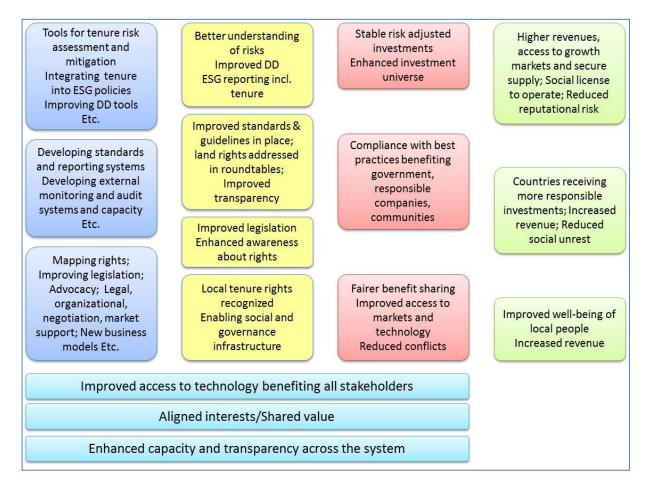
Figure 2 Foundations of Profitable, Sustainable and Equitable Investments in Forest and Other Land Resource Development



This conceptual model represents the key elements of the theory of change (TOC) towards sustainable and stable investments, and more equitable benefits-sharing based

on recognized communal, smallholder and indigenous peoples' land tenure rights. A more detailed TOC is displayed in Figure 3.

Figure 3 Theory of Change in Promoting Profitable, Sustainable and Equitable Investments in Forest and Other Land Resources



In the Bellagio meeting, concrete action to make better use of opportunities to invest in land-based resources and reduce related land tenure risks were identified and prioritized to feed into the development of a Roadmap (to be developed later on). Table 1 summarizes the recommended action, consistent with many of the key recommendations from the September 2013 Interlaken meeting.

Table 1 Proposed Priority Action to Expand and Leverage Private Sector Action to Secure Community Land Rights

Action	Existing initiatives/gaps	Responsibility
Companies and Financiers		
Stable and Risk Adjusted Investment		
Identification and quantification of land tenure risks (also) financial implications/ - Building up tenure risk assessment system integrated with other risk assessment - Improving DD tools and risk management tools for investors	TMP (Lou Munden Project) WB/PROFOR looking at a Business Climate Assessment for forest sector	RRI Lou Munden Project
Clarification of the investor universe (size of the pie, relative importance)	No reliable information readily available	RRI
Articulation of the secure supply story/business case		RRI Facility

- aggregation (to create scale in supply) - justification for addressing land tenure issues and adopting more equitable business models Developing and expanding new more equitable business models that integrate land rights issues into operations across the supply chain		
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issues into operations across the supply thail		Facility (pilots)
Standard setting		
Organizations/Roundtables/INGOs/Service		
Providers		
Compliance with Best Practices		
Influencing investment (ESG/CSR) policies of	Behind the Brands (Oxfam)	Oxfam
the financiers and leading corporations	Others	Facility
(brands)		
Strengthening advocacy and external	Behind the Brands	Oxfam/Others
monitoring to build transparency and promote	Leading companies	INGOs/NGOs
"good" behavior" in land investments and		Third party auditors
supply chain management		
- expanding "Behind the Brands" type		
approaches		
Incorporating land tenure issues and related		
risks into safeguards, ESG policies/checklist of		
the key financial sector players		
Mobilizing leading companies and	RRI	RRI
financiers/business leaders (to put land rights	Behind the Brands	Oxfam, other INGOs
into their own supply code systems)		
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Levelling the playing field between good investors and bad investors		Governments
investors and bad investors		Audit companies INGOs/NGOs
Communities/Indigenous		indos/indos
peoples/NGOs/National Service Providers		
Enabling Local Social, Incentive and		
Governance Infrastructure		
Recognition of land rights		MapMyRights
- Advocacy, enhancing awareness and	MapMyRights	NGOs
capacity building	Some organizations enhancing awareness	Facility could support
- Mapping (provision of new technology)	and providing legal building support but	
- Legal support	there's a major	
 Improved transparency and access to 	Governments (central and local) doing	
information concerning land tenure	mapping but there's a huge gap in the	
rights, concessions and land deals in	recognition of land tenure rights	
countries		
(New) business-models, including benefit-		Leading companies
sharing		RRI Facility gould
		Facility could
Building local capacity (communities, NGOs,	Government organizations, donors and	support/coordinate Facility could support
service providers such as surveyors) in	NGOs providing capacity building support	NGOs
mapping, land-use planning, marketing,	but there's a major gap	Also private sector
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Improved standard setting		IFC
standards that help with assessing lend		FSC
tenure risks, monitoring performance,		RSPO and other roundtables
auditing, reporting		Service providers (KPMG etc.)
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ANNEXES

Annex 1

		Strategic/Corporate investors			Financial Investors (Note: Development finance institutions and public banks are also part of this; addressed in the Annex 2 that focuses on risks/gaps and opportunities as well as related tools				
	SMEs, organized communities and large farmers	Forestry & forest industry companies	Agriculture (including non-food commodities)	Energy/mining	Private Equity Funds	Sovereign Wealth Funds	Pension funds		
Nature of operators/Objectives	Often family entrepreneurs, not public In some cases these companies have international links. Profit-oriented	Raw material sourcing for industrial production. Mainly large-scale but also medium-scale operators Both international and local Profit oriented Minimizing costs Access to growth markets, scaling up Integrated operations interested primarily in securing wood fibre supply	Mainly private companies but sometimes SOEs Usually public. Including large-scale and also medium-scale operators. Both international and local Profit oriented Large international investors also interested in securing supply (vertical integration)	Mainly private companies but sometimes state-owned enterprises (SOEs) Usually public Mainly large-scale and international . Profit oriented Minimizing production costs Raw material sourcing for industrial production Many new operators, energy companies looking at feedstock: Mineral and energy security	Normal private equity funds Mainly American and European but regional funds are increasing in LA and Asia Financial profit, yield Portfolio diversification	State-owned funds investing globally Financial profit as part of portfolio diversification. Some interested mainly in the product due to food security Strategic investments to secure land for food and energy production, and ensuring access to minerals	Largest investable capital is with pension funds (different sizes from small to extremely large) Private and state funds Profit/yield oriented based on portfolio diversification Also linked to long term asset preservation		
Type of land investment	Smallholders and communities invest usually in locally controlled land resources, small plots purchased or leased SMEs and large commercial farmers acquire land (even outside their own countries)	Forest concessions and timberland purchases or leases Can be independent or integrated	Agricultural land, both purchases and leases For cash crops (domestic and export) but also for integrated processing	Land concessions (especially for energy production) Exploration and extraction rights	Some funds of funds, but mainly invest directly in the land assets (forestry, agriculture)	Both portfolio (fund) and direct investments in financial assets and also real assets such as land and minerals	Investments in all financial instruments, including funds, and funds of funds, as well as direct investments in companies Can also invest directly in land resource assets		
Governance system	Often no formal governance SME owners decide Progressive firms have CSR/ESG policies Laws	Board CSR/ESG (policies influenced by financiers and NGOS) Shareholders can raise concerns Laws	Board CSR/ESG (policies influenced by financiers and NGOS) Shareholders can raise concerns Laws	Board CSR/ESG (policies influenced by financiers and NGOS) Shareholders can raise concerns Laws	Fund investment policy CSR/ESG requirements Policies strongly influenced by pension funds Laws	Fund investment policy CSR/ESG Governments influence Laws	Investment policy Government political guidance Some guided by international CSR/ESG principles and standards (e.g. UN PRI, GRI, SFI) Equator principles Laws		

Annex 2

		Strategic/Corporate Investors			Financial Investors				
	SMEs, organized communities and large farmers	Forestry & forest industry companies	Agriculture (including non- food commodities)	Energy/mining	Private Equity Funds	Sovereign Wealth Funds	Pension funds	Public DFIs (IFC, EIB other DFIs) and banks	Service providers
1. What are the main land tenure related risks and opportunities for creating shared value, increased yields and growth	Opportunities: New technology and lower costs provide more opportunity for mapping, tested models and shared agreement on protocols on mapping Improved knowledge about rights will result in increasing conflicts but also on more transparency which would benefit investors Need for independent brokers between communities and companies	Risks/Challenges: Limited investment universe constrains opportunities for sustained growth Same risks as agriculture – disruption, delay, damage to reputation, reduced access to capital, higher cost of capital, loss of social license, - but in addition the potential loss of growing stock Opportunities: More secure supply, better social relations, reputation, broadening the potential investment universe	Risks: Disruption, delay, damage to reputation, reduced access to capital, higher cost of capital, loss of social license	Risks: Disruption, delay, damage to reputation, reduced access to capital, higher cost of capital, loss of social license Opportunities: Can use large size and political weight to lean on government to support tenure reforms New business models (e.g. offtake agreements with communities) that separate biomass production from the need of the utility to own land		Risks: Reputation (for some), without new investment frontiers to achieve growth targets, don't understand risks Opportunities: Adoption of new screens and standards, opportunity for higher profits,		Risks: Diminished reputation without stronger effort to ensure own compliance with own standards Opportunities: Strengthen own standards regarding land rights	Opportunities: Growing awareness of problem, some searching for what they should be doing and recommending
2. Which are the key investors/companies/f inanciers, and the key sectors to be targeted? (Based on size, leverage, accessibility)	National associations/unions (Monitor (entry point to national SMEs), ANDE, World Farmers Organization	Foreign and national investors Stora Enso, Fibria, APP, GreenRresources, Brookfield Asset Management	Foreign and national investors Mars, SAB Miller, TESCO Focus on 4 types of companies: 1. Big footprint (CocaCola, Nestle)	Foreign investors ICMM (International Council on Mining and Metals) ENI, Anadarko, Neste, GMR, Jingal, Vedant, Vale, Rio Tinto, Slumberger (Oilfield servicer)	Macquarie Funds Group; Black River	Targeting Norway (unique case, can influence also funds) and other progressive SWFs TEMASEK, CIC (position in Brookfield & New Zealand), Alberta Investment	CALPERS APG, ATP, TIAA-CREF, CPPIB, PSP for Canada;,CALPE RS	IFC important (can influence others)	Weyerhauser Solutions, NewForest, ERM

		2. Brand (Unilever) 3. Retailers (Walmart) 4. Traders (Cargill; Archer Daniels Midland			Management Company (AIMC), UAE			
3. Who are the related strategic (individual)	StoraEnso APP Greenresources (Mads Asprem)	ADM; Bunge) Nestle, Coca Cola, Unilever	Rio Tinto		AIMCo (Kelvin Mak)	CPPIB (Angus Shelby) TIAA-CREF (Sandy	IFC (Mark Constantine)	Weyerhauser Solutions (Kent Wheeler)
4. What kind of tools/ initiatives/business models are needed to influence the behavior of the strategic players and get them engaged?			GRI, ISO 2 <mark>61000</mark>	UN PRI, Equator Principles, Ruggie Principles GRI	UN PRI, Ruggie Principles Equator Principles GRI	Lebaugh)	Ruggie Principles	
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Under development	MapMy Rights TMP-Quantitative	Quantitative land tenure related risk assessment	Quantitative land tenure related risk assessment tools	Quantitative land tenure related risk	Quantitative land tenure related risk assessment	Quantitative land tenure related risk	Quantitative land tenure related risk assessment	

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Annex 3 Summary of Group Work on Priority Action

(Includes comments presented during the discussion)

WG1: Communities/SMEs

- 1. There is a need to recognize and support community-based enterprises through involving them in business with private sector; private sector should provide support (as part of their business costs); e.g. in building their business skills, supporting farmer's production (e.g. through technical support, inputs): in order to share benefits from business more equally without communities giving up their land. More equitable business models.
- 2. Support to recognition of legal rights of the communities: awareness about rights, mapping, policy and legal support.
- 3. Mapping as first step (a kind of pre-requisite).
- 4. Support to capacity building, marketing support, community organizing, negotiation skills, and execution, monitoring, and networking. One of the challenges is who would be doing this capacity building since capacity is in the short supply.
- 5. Need for aggregation: community organizations, co-operatives, associations (e.g. farmers).
- 6. Facility could provide support: Legal support, support with negotiations with companies; large range of needs that need to be served.
- 7. One should test the Facility concept in the pilot phase in selected countries. After the pilot phase, state should take over some of the support over and create a supporting regulatory framework.
- 8. NGOs have an important role/potential in making people aware of their rights, new technologies and also acting in general as facilitators or intermediators between communities and private sector.
- 9. Initiatives such as Behind the Brands can be also important for communities.
- 10. An environment that provides incentives for communities be in place.

WG 2: Corporations

- 1. Push for standardized reporting on land.
- 2. Gaps in service provision regarding auditing.
- 3. Solving the problem of many standards.
- 4. Collective space for lobbying (e.g. Interlaken Group in London can play a role)
 - Safe place for the companies to get together with their critics and involving ongoing other multistakeholder initiatives
 - Creating a multistakeholder initiative linking forestry, mining and agriculture to deal with the above gaps/issues (points 1-3)

It would be important to have also players like ICMM, WBCSD, Global Compact, Consumer Goods Forum, RSPO and other roundtables, service providers (such as WRI, Landesa, FSC and others), Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative, and FAO VGGLT involved in the multistakeholder initiative and some of them even in London, in addition to corporate and financial sector actors.

WG 3: Finance Group

Gaps:

- 1. Lack of information on tenure risks.
- 2. Lack of information on impacts (of tenure respects) on returns and what is the size of the pie?
- 3. It is not yet articulated that investors do not need to own the land.
- 4. Articulation of the supply story (important for strategic investors). Clarity on how we aggregate supply from households and communities to ensure regularity and scale of supply, and lower transaction costs.
- 5. IFC needs to strengthen their position on land: ensuring that they follow their own safeguards, strengthening their standards; more proactive forestry portfolio.

Priorities:

- 1. Analysis and advocacy on the way regarding the points above; pension funds would be a priority (softest) target.
- 2. Building up tenure risk assessment system and taking it up to the market; targeting selected SWFs, Norway maybe first and possibly selected progressive pension funds (Lou Munden project is working on this with RRI).
- 3. Prioritize engagement with pension funds; develop both risk and reward story; prioritize progressive pension funds dealing with agriculture and forestry (TIAA- CREF).
- 4. Establishing and maintaining a multistakeholder platform; a place to these actors to convene and discuss about needed actions, share experiences and lessons learned (e.g. aggregating smallholders (production); engaging and possibly institutionalizing somehow the Interlaken Group (to provide continuity). Possibly a secretariat is needed, maybe supported by companies through membership fees (maybe to be discussed in London).
- 5. There's a need to find a better way to deal with Chinese investments in Africa, and other similar big investors concerned mainly with securing access to supply.

Annex 4 Potential Role for the "Facility" at the National Level

