International Seminar on
Land Administration
Trends and Issues in
Asia and the Pacific Region

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Opening and Welcome

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Welcome and Overview

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- Aims and Objectives of Seminar
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Seminar

• Following the 13th PCGIAP meeting in Korea, and endorsed by the Roundtable in Mongolia, PCGIAP through its WG3 agreed to facilitate a two-day international seminar on “Land administration trends and issues in the Asia and Pacific Region” at the 14th PCGIAP meeting, 19-20 August 2008 in Malaysia.

• Options and implications arising from this seminar will be considered by PCGIAP and if all parties agree any new arrangements could be presented for consideration to the next UNRCC-AP scheduled for 2009.
Seminar Aims and Objectives

The Seminar has two aims:

First, to share land administration experiences in the Asia and Pacific region with a focus on:
• access to land and security of tenure,
• building land administration systems,
• the role of land administration in supporting sustainable development,
• the promotion of effective land markets,
• poverty reduction,
• protection of vulnerable groups,
• e-land administration,
• land registration,
• cadastral surveying and mapping, and others
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Second, to discuss the objectives and focus proposed by the Mongolian Round Table with a view to preparing a proposal and/or strategy to go to the appropriate UN agencies and the PCGIAP for an annual land administration forum in the Asia and Pacific region. It is planned to have a proposal and resolution to be put before the UN Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific in Bangkok in 2009.
Seminar Structure

The Seminar will be conducted in six sessions including:

– an opening session (4 presentations),
– three invited speaker sessions (16 presentations),
– a data integration session (2 presentations) and
– panel discussion.

Each session and presentation will follow with a discussion.

Resolutions and discussion of a way forward will conclude the Seminar.
Some Background

Sharing of land administration experiences in the Asia and Pacific Region
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• PCGIAP has made significant achievements since its inception in 1995. It has provided a focus for SDI initiatives across Asia-Pacific region.

• The next stage of PCGIAP development should incorporate all core or basic information in the geo-coded world - national mapping or geographic information (usually small to medium scale) and the core land parcel, cadastral or land administration information (usually large scale)- if it is to continue to pursue sustainable development objectives.

• This approach allows PCGIAP to facilitate the integration of natural and built environmental data bases, a pre-condition for pursuing sustainable development initiatives and supporting better decision making by governments.
The challenge for PCGIAP

- Several members of PCGIAP have expressed a desire to have a better mechanism for sharing experiences about land administration in the region in a similar manner to the European system under the UNECE Working Party on Land Administration (WPLA) – that is an annual land administration forum.

- While PCGIAP has actively supported sharing of experiences through its previous Working Group 3 (Cadastre), some countries now view this as insufficient. These countries seek a more focussed and institutionalised arrangement, desirably under a UN mandate.
As a result, there was a recommendation as part of a White Paper titled “A vision for PCGIAP in a spatially enabled world” presented at the PCGIAP meeting in Korea 13-15 June, 2007 that:

• PCGIAP explore possibilities and structures to ensure that national mapping agencies as well as cadastral and land administration agencies are represented for each country in the Asia and Pacific region.
PCGIAP has welcomed the dialogue on this matter and as a result has facilitated this special seminar on “Land administration issues in the Asia and Pacific Region” at the 14th PCGIAP meeting in August 2008 in Malaysia.

Details of the Seminar were communicated to the PCGIAP Roundtable meeting, Mongolia, 2007.

Options and implications arising from that Seminar could be considered by PCGIAP and if all parties agree any new arrangements could be presented for consideration to the next UNRCC-AP scheduled for 2009, Thailand.
PCGIAP Round Table Meeting

- The Round Table discussion included representatives from PCGIAP member countries (Australia, Mongolia, Indonesia, Thailand, Laos and Korea) as well as the Chair of the UN ECE- WPLA, the Executive Director of Eurogeographics, the President of the GSDI Association and Professor Peter Dale, past President of FIG.

- Prof Williamson, Chair of WG3, represented and chaired the Round Table on behalf of PCGIAP.

- The participants agreed that it is important to have one regional administrative structure representing both national mapping and cadastre/land registry organizations that reports to the UN.

- It was proposed that PCGIAP shall take the initiative and start discussions with the member countries of PCGIAP and relevant international organizations.
As a result of the Round Table discussions, the agreed outcomes and recommendations to PCGIAP include:

- Establish an annual Meeting on Land Administration in the Asia and Pacific (MOLAAP) region.
- The recommended objectives of MOLAAP.
- Areas where MOLAAP could or needs to be active.
- The proposed activities of MOLAAP.
- Key mechanisms required to establish MOLAAP.
- Acknowledge and gratefully accept the offer by UNECE-WPLA to assist the establishment of MOLAAP within the limits of its mandate and resources.
## Seminar Program

**Seminar on: Land Administration Trends and Issues in Asia and the Pacific Region**

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## Workshop Program

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