

Strengthening women's rights in land governance: experiences from Tanzania

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Around the world, citizens' groups are taking action to change the way investments in natural resources are happening, to protect the rights of citizens and the environment for a fairer and more sustainable world. The Legal Tools for Citizen Empowerment initiative develops analysis, tests approaches, documents lessons and shares tools and tactics amongst practitioners.

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Recent research shows that agricultural investments have differentiated impacts on men and women. However, women's participation in decision making processes relating to land is often extremely limited and their voices are rarely heard. This webinar will shed light on the gendered impacts of commercial agriculture and the question of women's voice and participation in decision making processes relating to land governance.

Speakers: Helen Dancer, Barrister and Senior Lecturer at the University of Brighton and Naseku Kisambu, Director of programmes at the Tanzania Women Lawyer Association (TAWLA). Helen will briefly introduce gender issues in agricultural investments based on research experience. Naseku will present the organisation's work to mainstream gender in village land use planning and village bylaws in the country.

Helen and Naseku will tackle questions such as: what role is currently played by women in decision-making processes? How can CSOs strengthen women's rights in these respect, and with what results? What are the challenges, and how can they be tackled?

Further details

The webinar will take place on **2 February 2016** at **12pm-1.30pm GMT (UK).** An introduction to the webinar and the topic will be followed by a presentation from the speakers and a facilitated discussion amongst webinar participants.

Should you or your colleagues be interested in participating in this webinar, please contact us at **legaltools@iied.org**.



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