

Eastern Africa Land Administration Network

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PROJECT UPDATES

MOU SIGNING BETWEEN EALAN AND ITC

On January 15th 2020, EALAN has signed an MoU with the Faculty of ITC, University of Twente. This MoU was signed at the end of the SEALAN project. With this MoU we hope that the collaboration between EALAN and ITC will go beyond the project. The MoU covers possible collaboration in research and knowledge transfer in the domain of land administration.



PROJECT UPDATE RESULTS

As of January 15th 2020, SEALAN project has officially ended. We are proud to say that we have achieved all the project milestones and deliverables. In this last newsletter under the SEALAN project, we would like to highlight the SEALAN project results. As an official reporting to NUFFIC, we will submit the final report on May 14th 2020. The project results will be highlighted per work packages.

WP 1 Secretariat and Network

EALAN Annual General Meeting

Four AGMs were supported during the project, these are the AGM 2016 until AGM 2019. Since 2017, the project has financially supported two people per EALAN member university to join the AGM which has been hosted by member institutions in their respective countries on rotational basis. This has increased the involvement of the university in EALAN

activities as they become more aware of the network's activities. Throughout the years the participation of public sector representative at AGM was also increasing. They recognized the research result and recommendation by academia and higher chance to be taken into the policy level.

Website and social media

During the project, the EALAN secretariat together with the project coordinator has been developing the project website. The website was initially managed by ITC as the project coordinator. However to maintain sustainability, the website has been fully transferred to INES as the official EALAN secretariat to host and manage the website. EALAN website has been up and running for almost one year now. INES Ruhengeri is responsible as the webmaster. EALAN members can use the website to advertise its activities such as conferences, seminar and also to share the achievements in the news items. Next to this the EALAN secretariat has created social media channels to broaden the EALAN impact publication. Below are the links to the website and social media.

[EALAN website](#)

[EALAN Twitter](#)

[EALAN Facebook](#)

Network Thermometer

In the beginning of the project, [MDF](#) as part of the SEALAN consortium has developed a Network Thermometer a tool being used to measure the network cohesion and performance. The thermometer has been adjusted and implemented annually and the results are shared during the AGM. With the annual network thermometer, EALAN can reflect on its performance in the previous year. Based on this some recommendations were then suggested and implemented to improve network's cohesion and performance.

EALAN official permanent secretariat

It is official that the permanent secretariat of the EALAN network is at INES Ruhengeri under the department of land administration and management. With the support of the project, the secretariat is now equipped with office stationaries.



WP 2 Short Courses

Trainings of EALAN staff by SEALAN consortium

During the project there were several training implemented. The trainings were mainly given by the SEALAN project consortium inviting EALAN staff member. The trainings were:

- Training on Active Learning Methods and Training of Trainers
- Training on Land Administration
- Training on Land Governance and Conflict Resolution
- Training on Access to Land by Women and other vulnerable group
- Training to conduct market needs assessment for short and long term curricula
- Training on grant proposal writing
- Short course on research skills
- Training on advocacy and lobbying

Next to this, the SEALAN project also financed the SEALAN executive secretary to join a relevant training on management. Justin Tata, the was the EALAN executive secretary (2016 – 2019), joined the training on managing effective partnership in Arusha.

At the of the project there were 111 EALAN staff were trained; 33 female and 78 male staff.

After each training given to the staff, except for the training in Arusha, EALAN staff was asked to replicate the training at their home countries/institutions. With this activity, it is expected that the knowledge and know-how is spread to other land administration academia and practitioners in the EALAN countries. Along the way, EALAN staff were also financially supported by NELGA to execute the training replication. At the end, the trainings were replicated at home institution inviting participants from academics, practitioners and government. After the proeject ends, there were in total 1,121 people trained at home institution; 351 female and 770 male.

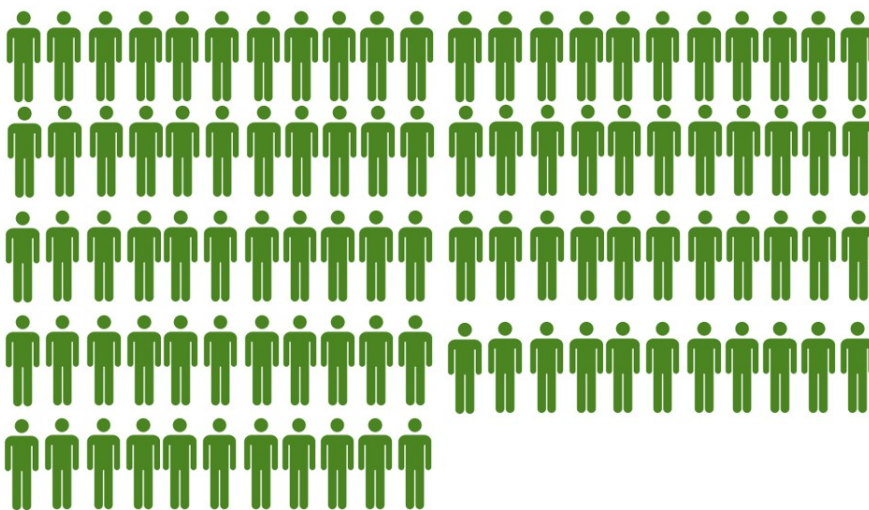
No.	University	Active Learning			Land Admin			Land Gov.			Access to Land for W & other VGs			Training on Needs Assessment			Grant Proposal Writing*			Research Skills*			Total		
		Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F	Total	M	F			
1	University of Burundi	15	11	4	15	12	4	15	11	4	15	11	4	15	11	4	4	4	0	15	11	4	94	71	24
2	INES Ruhengeri	12	8	4	5	2	3	5	2	3	12	8	4	36	24	12	36	24	12	36	24	12	142	92	50
3	University of Nairobi	11	5	6	18	12	6	18	12	6	18	12	6	18	12	6	18	12	6	18	12	6	119	77	42
4	RCMRD	4	3	1	5	4	1	5	4	1	0	0	0	17	11	6	5	4	1	5	4	1	41	30	11
5	Woldia University	4	3	1	5	5	0	6	6	0	5	3	2	27	24	3	8	5	3	27	24	3	82	70	12
6	Bahir Dar University	26	24	2	5	4	1	5	4	1	10	5	5	26	24	2	26	24	2	26	24	2	124	109	15
7	University of Rwanda	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0
8	Ardhi University	22	12	10	12	7	5	12	7	5	18	8	10	16	7	9	14	7	7	18	9	9	112	57	55
9	University of Juba – South Sudan	9	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	8	1
10	Makerere University – Uganda	9	5	4	15	6	9	15	6	9	15	6	9	13	7	6	9	4	5	15	8	7	91	42	49
11	Technical University of Kenya – Kenya	26	19	7	26	19	7	26	19	7	26	19	7	26	19	7	26	19	7	26	19	7	182	133	49
12	Université Evangélique en Afrique - DRC	24	21	3	16	2	13	22	19	3	16	2	14	13	10	3	16	12	4	15	12	3	122	78	43
	Total Trained at home institutions	165	122	43	122	73	49	129	90	39	135	74	61	207	149	58	162	115	47	201	147	54	1121	770	351
	Expected Trained at home institutions	48	12	36	48	12	36	48	12	36	48	12	36	48	12	36	48	12	36	48	12	36	288		

Illustration of the training replication impact

Training by SEALAN consortium
111 people trained



Training replication by EALAN staff
1121 people trained



Pilot on staff and student exchange

This activity is under both work package 2 and 3 as it is a combination between education and short courses. In the spring 2019, staff exchange was implemented at INES Ruhengeri. Then in autumn 2019, INES Ruhengeri and RCMRD hosted student exchange by inviting 2 students from almost all EALAN members universities. Both activities were implemented succesfully. The evaluation form revealed that all students were happy with exchange activity. 46 students were involved in students exchange program.

WP 3 Education

During the project, three curricula for Bachelor of Science Program in “Land Administration and Surveying” were developed by three universities : Université du Burundi, University of Juba in South Sudan and Université Evangelique and Afrique in DR Congo.

On March 3rd 2020, under the patronage of the Second Deputy President of the Republic of Burundi, the Université du Burundi officially launched, in Buhumuza Campus (Eastern Burundi), its first cohort for the Bachelor program in Land Administration & Surveying. They started with 109 students in February 2020.



WP 4 Research

The biggest achievement under WP 4 is the publication of two books

- A book (in preparation) on the land governance arrangements in Africa – including the 8 country papers and an additional chapter with a collaborative comparative chapter (Achamyeleh et al., 2019) on the land governance arrangements in the EALAN countries.
- A book (in preparation) on the Access to land for women in Eastern Africa – which includes the 8 country papers and an additional chapter with a collaborative comparative chapter (Mwasumbi et al., 2019) on access to land for women in the EALAN countries.

The books are the result of collaborative research of 12 EALAN member universities executed throughout the project duration. In the journey of publishing the books, the project executed a research skills training, country survey and a writeshop attended by five female and 11 male authors. After the books are published, they will be used by the EALAN member universities as part of their education program in land administration.

Unexpected results

MoU between ITC and EALAN

Due to the very good relation and collaboration, Faculty of ITC, the University of Twente has signed an MoU with EALAN to have further collaboration in research and knowledge transfer.

EALAN becomes a best practice to be implemented in other regions in Africa

EALAN is seen as a best practice of a dynamic working network in land administration. The way EALAN works is now an example of other newly established nodes in central africa, north africa, west africa and south africa. Ardhi University, one of the member university, is coordinating this initiative with NELGA.

SAVE THE DATES

- 1) EALAN AGM and Conference 2020 in Nairobi, Kenya on July 26th - 30th 2020.