



## THE 2024 EASTERN AFRICA LAND ADMINISTRATION NETWORK (EALAN) AGM AND CONFERENCE



### CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

## Environmental and Social Governance (ESG) Considerations in Land Administration for Sustainable Development

The 13<sup>th</sup> EALAN Annual General Meeting and Conference jointly organized by the NELGA Eastern Africa Node through Eastern African Land Administration Network and Ardhi University will take place on 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2024 in Dar es Salaam. The conference will be preceded by three parallel training workshops **on Dispute Resolution in Land Administration, Promoting Gender Equality and Women Land Rights and Write-shop** from 29<sup>th</sup> -1<sup>st</sup> August 2024.

#### Conference Theme

Environmental and Social Governance (ESG)

#### The Conference Title

Environmental and Social Governance (ESG) Considerations in Land Administration

#### Conference Description

Environmental and Social Governance principles (ESG) are increasingly dominating academic and professional discourses around the world. The principles are fundamental in guiding both public and private organisations on securing the natural resources for future generations, promoting social relations and justice; and transparent governance by the organisations. ESG principles underpin the need for responsible investment in land and natural resources that subsequently will lead to sustainable development. Further ESG considerations are crucial in realising the UN Sustainable Development Goals in particular Goal 7: Affordable and clean energy; Goal 10: Reducing inequalities; Goal 12: Responsible consumption and production, and Goal 13: Climate action. Responsible land administration plays a crucial role in realizing the UN Sustainable Goals as well as enhancing efficient land use, protecting and improving natural resources.

A day-conference on the theme '**ESC Consideration in Land Administration for Sustainable Development**' is proposed to identify and determine what role should EALAN members be engaged in implementing ESG strategies. The proposal is for a keynote address that will address the important ESG strategies in the context of land administration in Eastern African region with special focus on requirements for enhanced standards of ethical conduct in business and a commitment to sustainability and social justice. There will also be panel sessions that will demonstrate implementation of ESG strategies in respective case studies.

### **Call for Contributions**

NELGA Eastern Africa welcomes abstracts (preferably research outputs) covering a broad range of the following sub-themes:

1. Environmental responsibility in reducing carbon footprint (legal frameworks)
2. Impact of climate change on real estate business
3. Inclusive and diverse work ethics and practices in land-based businesses
4. Social responsibility in land sector- (access to land, inequality, gender relations etc)
5. Ethical, transparent and accountable principles in land administration – case studies in land acquisition and involuntary resettlement or any appropriate
6. ESG principles in the context of World Bank Environmental and Social Standards

Submitted abstracts should indicate the SDG being addressed.

Submit abstracts to: [ealanconference@gmail.com](mailto:ealanconference@gmail.com)

### **Timelines**

Call for abstracts	24 <sup>th</sup> June 2024
Deadline for submission of abstracts	12 <sup>th</sup> July 2024
Acceptance Notification	22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2024
Deadline for submission of power point presentations	29 <sup>th</sup> July 2024
<b>Format of abstract: 250 – 300 words</b>	

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