

Capacity development webinar for lawyers on responsible investments in agriculture:

African Region focus – 26 May 2022

Background material

Soft Law Instruments

[Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights: Implementing the United Nations ‘Protect, Respect and Remedy’ Framework](#) (GPBHR), endorsed by UN Human Rights Council in 2011 [\[link\]](#)

[Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forests in the Context of National Food Security](#) (VGGT), endorsed by Committee on World Food Security (CFS) in 2014 [\[link\]](#)

[Principles for Responsible Investment in Agriculture and Food Systems](#) (CFS RAI), endorsed by CFS in 2014 [\[link\]](#)

[OECD-FAO Guidance on Responsible Agricultural Supply Chains](#), adopted by OECD in 2016 [\[link\]](#)

Technical guidance documents

CCSI (Colombia Center for Sustainable Investment), A Primer on Legal Frameworks and Foreign Investment (2019) [\[link\]](#)

CCSI, Government Briefing: Integrating FPIC into Investment Assessment Processes (2020) [\[link\]](#)

FAO (Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations), Protecting legitimate tenure rights: From concepts to practice (2021) [\[link\]](#)

FAO, Legal empowerment to promote legitimate tenure rights (2021) [\[link\]](#)

FAO, Responsible Governance of Tenure and the Law: A Guide for Lawyers and Other Legal Service Providers (Technical Guide 5, 2016) [\[link\]](#)

FAO, Responsible Governance of Tenure: A Technical Guide for Investors (Technical Guide 7, 2016) [\[link\]](#).

FAO, Due Diligence, Tenure and Agricultural Investment: A Guide to the Dual Responsibilities of Private Sector Lawyers Advising on the Acquisition of Land and Natural Resources (2019) [\[link\]](#)

IIED (International Institute for Environment and Development), Foreign Investment, Law and Sustainable Development: A Handbook on Agriculture and Extractive Industries (2016, 2nd ed) [\[link\]](#)

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ODI, The Financial Costs of Mitigating Social Risks: Costs and Effectiveness of Risk Mitigation Strategies for Emerging Market Investors (2019) [\[link\]](#)

UNIDROIT and IFAD, Legal Guide on Agricultural Land Investment Contracts (2021) [\[link\]](#)