



**ERD 2012 Consultation  
Governance of Natural Resources with a focus on Land  
Maastricht, 18-19 May 2011**

**Draft Programme**

**Context and purpose of this Consultation**

The 2012 European Report on Development (ERD), the third such report to be published by the EU, will focus on **how natural resource management can promote sustainable and inclusive growth**. Within this overall theme the report will depart from a **contextual analysis of increasing scarcity and the effects of climate change**, and will explore the actual and possible **roles of public and private actors** (both for-profit and non-profit) as they engage in the management of water, energy and land, resources. This WEL nexus (water-energy-land), the interactions between its three elements and the need to manage this nexus in an integrated fashion will provide the overall framework of analysis for this Report.

Chapter 4 of the ERD 2012 Report will look into **defining a framework for understanding the role of public and private sector in natural resource management**, while Chapter 5 will provide **specific case study analysis on Investment in Land**. Chapters 8 and 9 will then look in turn at the contributions the private sector (in its broadest sense) and then the public sector (at different levels) make to the governance and management of not only land but also to the other two elements of the nexus: water and energy

As part of a series of consultation events on the ERD, one event will be organised on 18 and 19 May 2011 in Maastricht, the Netherlands. The main purpose of this consultation event is to **inform the analysis and writing process for these chapters**. Various academic authors are being commissioned to write background papers for the ERD and a number of these will be invited to come and present their ideas to the consultation.

The consultation event in Maastricht will look into the governance of natural resources, and then more specifically at the area of investments in land for production and growth and issues arising from the access, management and conservation of land. In addition, both issues will be analysed in the third part of the programme in relation to the Water-Energy-Land nexus, a key part of the analytical context to be used in the Report.

**ERD 2012 Consultation  
Wednesday 18 – Thursday 19 May 2011  
NH Hotel, Randwyck, Maastricht**

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*Day 1 – Wednesday 18 May 2011*

**11.00                      Registration and Welcome**

**11.30 – 13.00            Session 1: Introduction**

Presentations:

- Paul Engel, Director ECDPM, *Welcome*
- Dirk Willem te Velde, ODI and ERD Team Leader, *Introduction to the ERD 2012*

Chairperson: James Mackie, ECDPM and member ERD Core Team

**13.00 – 14.00            Lunch**

**14.00 – 17.00            Session 2: Governance, political economy and natural resources management**

***Key question: What are the relevant governance and political economy dimensions of natural resource management and their linkages with inclusive growth? How to assess/analyse them?***

Presentations:

- Dirk Willem te Velde (ODI), *The analytical framework of the ERD*
- Jan Vanheukelom (ECDPM), *Approaches to governance of sectoral operations*

Discussant: Ines Dombrowsky (DIE) and Heidi Wittmer (UFZ Leipzig) (tbc)

Chairperson: Imme Scholz, ODI and member of ERD Core Team

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**18.00 – 20.00            Evening programme: Buffet dinner at the ECDPM office  
Onze Lieve Vrouweplein 21, Maastricht**

*Keynote Speaker (tba)*

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Day 2 – Thursday 19 May 2011

**9.00 – 10.30                      Session 3: Land (1) – Identification of key issues on land for the ERD**

**Key Question: *What are the main issues and the pressures on land that the ERD needs to cover?***

Presentations:

- James Mackie (ECDPM)
- Annelies Zoomers (Utrecht University), *Trends emerging from the main findings of academic work on land acquisition*
- Michael Bruntrup (DIE), *The interaction between smallholders and large scale investors*

Discussants: Academic experts (to be announced)

Chairperson: Dirk Willem te Velde (ODI)

**10.30 – 11.00                      Coffee break**

**11.00 – 12.30                      Session 4: Land (2) – The political economy and governance of land**

**Key questions: *What aspects of governance and political economy are key to deepening the understanding of how land can best be managed for inclusive and sustainable growth? What are effective support strategies to strengthen the governance of managing land?***

Presentations:

- Getnet Alemu (Addis Abeba University), *Investment in land: an Ethiopian case study*
- Regina Birner (University of Hohenheim), *The governance of land, small holders and FDI trends* (tbc)

Discussant: Jan Vanheukelom (ECDPM) and academic experts (to be announced)

Chairperson: James Mackie (ECDPM)

**12.30 - 13.30                      Lunch**

**13.30 – 15.00                      Session 5: Land (3) – Land and the WEL Nexus contextual framework**

**Key Question: *How does the Water-Energy Land (WEL) nexus help in providing a useful context for the analysis of Land issues and in their Governance?***

Presentation:

- to be announced

Discussant: Academic experts (to be announced)

Chairperson: Dirk Willem te Velde (ODI)

**15:00-15:30                      Coffee break**

**15.30 – 17.00                      Session 6: The Way Forward**

**Key Question: *What lessons to retain from this Consultation for the on-going ERD process?***

Presentation: Dirk Willem te Velde (ODI)

Discussant: Ines Dombrowsky (DIE)

Chairperson: James Mackie (ECDPM)