



LAND IS THE FOUNDATION ON WHICH WEALTH IS BUILT

"Land is the main national wealth," says the Land Code of Ukraine. We can say that every citizen of Ukraine is already rich. But it's not that simple! You cannot pay for food with soil or pay for renting an apartment with a bag of land. Economically speaking, the land is the foundation on which wealth is built. That is, land is a huge resource that, if used wisely, can bring a rather big income at the national level.

We are faced with 2 tasks:

1. To understand the importance of sustainable land planning as a tool for regulating the country's budget;
2. Become familiar with the ingredients of sustainable land planning and understand our role as land managers.

Sustainable land management is the use of land to meet changing human needs (agriculture, forestry, conservation), while ensuring long-term socioeconomic and ecological functions of the land.

SLM encompasses established approaches such as soil and water conservation, natural resource management and integrated landscape management (ILM). It involves a holistic approach to achieving productive and healthy ecosystems by integrating social, economic, physical and biological needs and values, and it contributes to sustainable and rural development. SLM is based on four principles:

1. Targeted policy and institutional support, including the development of incentive mechanisms for SLM adoption and income generation at the local level;

2. Land-user-driven and participatory approaches;

3. The integrated use of natural resources on farms and at the ecosystem scale; and

4. Multilevel, multistakeholder involvement and partnerships at all levels – land users, technical experts and policy-makers.

The benefits that result from an effective land administration system are many. It is important that the general public is aware of these benefits, as building effective and reliable land administration systems requires long-term investment and ongoing support.

In a land administration system, the main products are land-related datasets. They should be limited from the outset to what is actually required to meet the primary needs of users. Adopting a business-oriented approach should ensure that land administration processes:

1. are carried out economically;

2. result in opportunities to generate income that can be used to finance work and pay for replacement and upgrades of technical equipment.

It should be understood that land is at the heart of sustainable development. Leadership in land administration is a means to an end, namely good governance at the highest level. Good practice will recognize that:

- Good governance at the highest level, private land ownership and property guarantees are interconnected and together form the basis for sustainable social and economic development;

- Land ownership, value and land use are interrelated.

Sustainable land management, when properly designed and implemented, ensures that land is truly the country's greatest asset. Sustainability can be achieved only through the collective efforts of those immediately responsible for managing resources. This requires a policy environment that empowers local decision makers, to reap benefits for good land use decisions, but also to be held responsible for inappropriate land uses.

What can we as survey students do right now? Gain as much knowledge, competencies, practical skills as possible, get acquainted with the world experience in this area and much more, which will help us become qualified specialists.

LIST OF SOURCES USED

- Sustainable Land Management:
<http://www.fao.org/land-water/land/sustainable-land-management/en/>
- What is Sustainable Land Management:
<http://www.ciesin.org/lw-kmi/slm/slm.html>
- Sustainable Land Management (SLM):
<https://knowledge.unccd.int/topics/sustainable-land-management-slm>

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