

BRIEF REPORT:

The Launch of NELGA West Africa and Masterclass on Land Governance at KNUST, Kumasi, Ghana, 28 August 2018.

The Network is established by the African Land Policy Centre (ALPC) in Cooperation with the Deutsche Gesellschaft Fur Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) and World Bank with financial support from the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ). The launch for the NELGA West Africa Hub was held on 28 August 2018 at the Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST) in Kumasi, Ghana. Representatives of various institutions attended the launch and these included; Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST), Regional Integration and Trade Division, ECA, University of Liberia, Gambia, University of Makeni (Sierra Leone), Namibia University of Science and Technology (NUST) and an Emeritus Professor (Nigeria) as well as relevant government official (s). NUST was invited as part of the node to node cooperation.

“A masterclass on Land Governance in West Africa” was also held on the same day. The masterclass was attended by mainly partners academic institutions within West Africa. The master class was presented by representatives from universities in Ghana, Sierra leone, Gambia and Nigeria. NELGA Southern Africa (through the Advisor) presented the Regional Scoping Study on Land Governance at the said masterclass. The masterclass on land governance was very interesting and very important land governance issues and challenges were shared. It was observed that some of the land governance issues and challenges in West Africa are similar to those in Southern Africa.