

# **The Role of Land Records in Support of Post-Conflict Land Administration within overall State Building – the Case of Rwanda**

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## **SUMMARY**

An essential component of every land administration system are the land records. These records contain information about ownership, value and use of land. Conflict and post-conflict situations, both in literature and in practice, have shown that land administration systems are most affected by the loss of land records and staff. Post-conflict contexts are characterized by: institutional weaknesses, economic and social problems and serious security problems. Based on a case study conducted in Rwanda, firstly the type, the format and the status of land records are discovered, and then those are related to the post-conflict land administration and overall state building. This relation is explored in depth in order to determine and describe the role of land records in support of post-conflict land administration within overall state building. Here, attention is paid to the role that land records have in post-conflict contexts. Findings from this paper show that a strong relationship exists and that land records play a positive role in support of the post-conflict land administration and state building in the case of Rwanda.

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