



### Ghana data campaign- Call for applications

*The Land Matrix is looking for a land-based organisation in Ghana to assist us with data collection and verification on large-scale land acquisitions.*

**Application closing date: 31 October 2019**

**Start date:** To be discussed (activities and reporting should be complete by 15 February 2020)

**Duration:** 3.5 months

**Location:** Ghana

#### Background

The Land Matrix is an independent global land monitoring initiative that promotes transparency and accountability in decisions over land and investments. It does so by collecting and visualising information about large-scale land acquisitions (LSLAs) and facilitating an open development community of citizens, researchers, policy-makers, and technology specialists. Regional Focal Points (RFPs) in four different regions around the globe are responsible for data collection and verification activities. The Africa RFP is hosted by the University of Pretoria in South Africa and covers all countries in Africa (<https://landmatrix.org/region/africa/>).

#### Objectives

In the next phase of the Land Matrix initiative, the Africa RFP will be exploring new data sourcing strategies and strengthening the data in specific African countries where data is generally unavailable or inaccessible by other means. As such, we are looking for a land-based organisation in Ghana to assist us with data collection and verification on LSLAs within the country.

#### Duties and responsibilities

- Data collection planning (with support from the Africa RFP) and adequate human resource mobilisation for the project.  
*Note: The data collection plan will be vetted by the Africa RFP, following which it should be implemented independently throughout the project duration. Data collection and verification should include a mixture of field visits, desktop studies, and other suitable means.*
  - Collecting, reviewing, verifying, and collating data on LSLAs in Ghana (an offline excel spreadsheet of the current database will be shared with the applicant).
- Liaising with the Africa RFP to:
  - Review all existing land deals located in Ghana listed on the Land Matrix platform (approximately 105 deals);

- Identify new deals to be added to the Land Matrix platform;
- Conduct field visits to approx. 30 land deal sites (exact number of site visits to be discussed with successful applicant);
- Follow-up on queries raised on land deal information supplied to the Africa RFP (see first point under “Reporting structure and expected deliverables” below).
- Liaising with the Land Matrix Communication Coordinator to produce regular communications for activity visibility through, for example, blog posts and short articles, as well as social media, including high quality photographs for use on the website.

*Note: the applicant (or its focal point) must be available to travel/partake in short trainings organised by the Africa RFP.*

### **Reporting structure and expected deliverables**

The successful applicant will be required to deliver the following outputs:

- Supply the Africa RFP with all information on land deals in Excel format as and when the data per deal is verified (the Africa RFP will enter all data into the online platform/database during the project duration once it is verified).
- Prepare a draft feedback report on all information collected and activities undertaken for comment by the Africa RFP by 31 January 2020.
- Prepare and submit the final report by 15 February 2020.
- Prepare and submit (in collaboration with the Land Matrix Communication Coordinator) regular communications for activity visibility through, for example, blog posts and short articles, as well as social media, including high quality photographs for use on the website throughout the project duration.

All presentations and reports are to be submitted in electronic form in English, in accordance with the deadlines stipulated above. The Communication Coordinator is responsible for editing and quality control of language. The Africa RFP retains the rights with respect to all distribution (including online via the Land Matrix website), dissemination, and publication of the deliverables.

### **Required skills and competencies**

- Applicant would preferably be a local land-based organisation that has been working in the sector for at least 3 (three) years, with a track record of designing and managing data collection/research activities.
- Team members to have outstanding written and verbal communication skills and good knowledge of Excel, as well as be willing to learn the Land Matrix platform variables.
- Prior knowledge of the Land Matrix is an advantage.
- Knowledge of relevant land networks and multi-stakeholder partnerships in Ghana is an asset.

### **Terms**

A service contract lasting a maximum of 3.5 months will be signed between the successful contractor and the University of Pretoria. The maximum amount financed is USD 6,300, subject to a small increase depending on estimated costs.

### **Application process**

Please send (i) one document of max. 3 pages with relevant experience on land issues, motivation for applying to funding, proposed budget, and approach to data collection (e.g. key informants, partnerships with other NGOs, etc.); and (ii) relevant work samples to [africa@landmatrix.org](mailto:africa@landmatrix.org) by 31 October 2019, indicating your interest and availability.

For more information on the initiative, please visit our website at <https://landmatrix.org>.