PHOTO CONTEST

In the post-2015 sustainable development context, land tenure and property rights issues present both obstacles and solutions to our most critical development goals: addressing extreme poverty, enhancing resilience, improving food security, combatting climate change, and reducing conflict.

Your photos can help us tell us the story of how land tenure and property rights play a role in all of these important issues. Therefore, USAID's Land Tenure and Resource Management (LTRM) Office is launching a contest to solicit photos that depict these important issues. Photos will be judged based on their aesthetic appeal, effectiveness in conveying a story related to land tenure and property rights, creativity, and overall impact. Contest winners will be selected by the staff of the LTRM Office.

To submit a photo, please request entry to the [LTRM group on Flickr](). Alternatively, photos can be submitted either by sending photos as an attachment or by saving photos in Dropbox or Google drive and then sending the link to [photos@usaidlandtenure.net](). There is no maximum number of photos that one person can submit. **The next deadline for submissions is March 6, 2015.** The contest will repeat on a regular basis.

STARR partners should now use the above process to submit project photos that meet the STARR IQC reporting guidelines. This approach will allow partners to submit higher resolution versions of their images than is possible by embedding them in Word or PDF quarterly reports. It will also allow partners to submit additional project photos, including those that they would not ordinarily include in their quarterly reports.

Photos will be uploaded to Flickr and winners will be announced on social media platforms and the [USAID Land Tenure and Property Rights Portal](). We will notify you via email if your photo wins.

USAID has the right to reproduce your photo in **ANY** format, including print products, online, and in social media. Please make sure you read the disclaimer below for full details.

Submission Requirements:

- High-resolution, high quality photos that are at least 1024 x 768 pixels or larger, or around 300 pixels per inch. Please send us the highest resolution version of the photo you have (at least 1 MB). If you are using Photoshop, please send only level 7 or higher compressed photos.

- Accepted formats: high quality JPG, JPEG, PNG, and BMP

- Photos must be original (submitted by photographer or with permission)

- Photos must each include a credit: name of photographer and organizational affiliation (if applicable)

- Photos must each include a unique, robust caption, which includes a description of what is going on in the photo, who is involved, where it was taken, and how it is a part of or relates to land tenure and property rights

- Photos must also be tagged at a minimum with: date (ddmmyyyy), country, subject(s), and any relevant USAID project or program title (if applicable).

DISCLAIMER

By submitting a photograph to the USAID Land Tenure and Resource Management Photo Contest you:

1. Declare that you own any copyright for the photograph and it is your original work.

2. Declare that you have permission to use the visual image of any identifiable individual or building in the photograph for entry into the competition and that the image may be published as stipulated in the photo contest rules.

3. Agree that USAID and/or other individual U.S. government partners/contractors who use the photo will not be responsible for the infringement of any third party rights in the photograph, moral or otherwise, that may arise as a result of your actions or omissions and that you indemnify USAID and/or other individual USG partners/contractors against all legal fees, claims, damages and other expenses that may be incurred as a result of your breach of the contest rules.

4. Grant any reproduction rights for use by USAID and in doing so agree that USAID may use your photograph for the purposes of the competition and also for future reproduction on websites and literature and other materials and may allow others to do the same at USAID's discretion (photographers will be credited where appropriate).