

# INTEGRATED SAFEGUARDS DATA SHEET

## IDENTIFICATION / CONCEPT STAGE

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### I. BASIC INFORMATION

#### A. Basic Project Data

<b>Country:</b>	Uzbekistan	<b>Project ID:</b>	P161618
<b>Project Name:</b>	Support to the Land Administration and Geospatial System Modernization Project		
<b>Team Leader(s):</b>	Anna Corsi		
<b>Estimated Date of Approval:</b>	01-Nov-2016		
<b>Managing Unit:</b>	GSULN	<b>Lending Instrument:</b>	IPF
<b>Financing (in USD Million)</b>			
Total Project Cost:	1.557	Total Bank Financing:	0
Financing Gap:	0		
<b>Financing Source</b>			<b>Amount</b>
Korea WB Partnership Facility			1.557
<b>Environment Category:</b>	C - Not Required		

#### B. Project Development Objective(s)

The proposed Development Objective is to build the capacity of the State Committee for Land Resources, Geodesy, Cartography and State Cadastre (GKZGDK) to manage the development and maintenance of the computerized systems for land administration and geospatial information management.

The TA project would accomplish this through the training of GKZGDK staff in the digitization of land administration records and the adoption of modern fit-for-purpose ICT and geospatial technologies.

#### C. Project Description

The proposed TA project would finance the delivery of a comprehensive capacity building program that will allow Uzbekistan to develop the necessary skills and knowledge to establish a digital geospatial information system, in particular through the MRPRC Project, according to the country's needs. More importantly, such support will ensure the sustainability of the new electronic system, including maintenance, management, expansion and upgrade. It will also be critical to enable the country to take the lead on parallel or subsequent reforms in support of eGovernment initiatives and private sector development that are based on the use of digital land and geospatial information and for which reliance only on foreign technology transfer is not realistic.

The core elements of the capacity building program will be: (i) provision of continuous, on the ground technical assistance to support GKZGDK in the implementation of the MRPRC project components; and (ii) design and implementation of a targeted training program.

#### Component 1: Technical Assistance

1.A Real Property Registration and Cadastre System Development. This sub-component would support GKZGDK in managing the incremental development and roll-out of a new ICT-based Integrated Information System for Real Property Registration and Cadastre (IISRPRC), including the development of IISRPRC's infrastructure and improved operational environment, procedures, service standards and applications. In particular, the TA will provide advice and transfer of knowledge on: (i) the development and maintenance of a reliable e-system for the management of geospatial data and property rights, including the development of technical specifications; (ii) quality control over the products delivered by the contractors, as per technical specifications, including technical support for auditing, evaluating, and testing of the e-system and ensuring quality technical documentation; (iii) the establishment of an ICT Competence Center (domain and system analysts, software developers, database and Geographic Information System (GIS) specialists, system and network administrators), including a mechanism for the continuous knowledge transfer from the ICT system developer to the Center.

##### Expected outputs:

In-country technical assistance including:

- Business process review manual;
- Technical specifications for IISRPRC system development and upgrade guidance;
- Quality Control manuals;
- ICT training and knowledge transfer;
- ICT Competence Center business plan; and
- Identification of legal changes for the operationalization of the new web-based IISRPRC.

1.B Real Property Registration and Cadastre Data Development. This sub-component would support GKZGDK in the digitization of current manual property registration and cadastre records (including both attribute and geospatial data) for the new IISRPRC. The TA will focus on (i) supporting the planning, management, monitoring, and implementation of the mass digitization process. In particular, the TA will provide advice and recommendation on the development of technical specifications and the methodology for the digitization process, as well as quality control and acceptance activities for the digitization of geospatial data. It will also support GKZGDK's in-house campaign for integration and conversion of digital textual and graphic data into IISRPRC, and the migration, harmonization and population of the uniform IISRPRC database.

##### Expected outputs:

- Data assessment guidelines;
- Mass digitization methodology development and manual;
- Quality Control development and manual;
- Mass digitization training.

1.C Use of Real Property Registry and Cadastre Data. The TA would provide support for enhancing public on-line use of IISRPRC data and the development of a modern framework and technological

platform in compliance with the country's eGovernment Master Plan. In particular, the TA would support: (i) the preparation of a strategy that will define the infrastructure, data formats, standards and initial services to provide on-line access and sharing of geospatial data for authorities, business entities, organizations and citizens; and (ii) the development of necessary legislation, institutional agreements and guidelines for the establishment of a National Spatial Data Infrastructure (NSDI), including a national Geoportal to access land and spatial information.

Expected outputs:

- Input into and revision of the draft spatial data sharing strategy, standards, specifications, guidelines, services, and interaction and data sharing arrangements;
- Input into the preparation and revision of the technical specifications for the development of a national Geoportal.

Component 2: Training.

This component would focus on the design of a targeted training and knowledge transfer program for the benefit of both institutional and private sector stakeholders. This program would include, among other, training on:

- ICT project and contract management;
- Development and maintenance of the electronic integrated registry and cadastre system;
- Project management;
- Raising the awareness on advantages of the digital work;
- Customer-orientation;
- Use of the new registration system by staff, surveyors, and notaries;
- Strategic and business planning;
- Digitization, quality control of spatial and land administration data.

Expected outputs:

- Training needs assessment;
- Training plan; and
- Study tours.

#### **D. Project location and salient physical characteristics relevant to the safeguard analysis (if known)**

The proposed TA project is only funding capacity building work of a State institution with no works on the ground. The project does not trigger any environmental or social safeguards, as there is no land acquisition involved or other activities resulting in changes to land ownership, access or tenure.

#### **E. Borrower's Institutional Capacity for Safeguard Policies**

Not applicable

#### **F. Environmental and Social Safeguards Specialists on the Team**

## **II. SAFEGUARD POLICIES THAT MIGHT APPLY**

<b>Safeguard Policies</b>	<b>Triggered?</b>	<b>Explanation (Optional)</b>
Environmental Assessment OP/ BP 4.01	No	
Natural Habitats OP/BP 4.04	No	
Forests OP/BP 4.36	No	
Pest Management OP 4.09	No	
Physical Cultural Resources OP/ BP 4.11	No	
Indigenous Peoples OP/BP 4.10	No	
Involuntary Resettlement OP/BP 4.12	No	
Safety of Dams OP/BP 4.37	No	
Projects on International Waterways OP/BP 7.50	No	
Projects in Disputed Areas OP/BP 7.60	No	

### III. SAFEGUARD PREPARATION PLAN

Appraisal stage ISDS required?: No

### IV. APPROVALS

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