

## Country Report :: Current Status



### Introduction to GLCN

The Global Land Cover Network (GLCN) initiative has been jointly launched by FAO and UNEP during the Artimino conference 6-8 May 2002, Florence, Italy. Developed from the methodological approach of the Africover project, GLCN's primary goal is to improve the availability of global information on land cover and its dynamics. GLCN will provide direction, focus and guidance for harmonization of land cover mapping and monitoring at national, regional and global levels.

GLCN will be the first operational land cover programme, from global to national and ultimately even at the local level and will bring benefits to a wide range of users. The FAO/UNEP Land Cover Classification System (LCCS) will be used in the project as the universal standard for the classification of land cover. LCCS has already been used successfully in a number of projects and allows land cover information from other initiatives to be translated and incorporated into a common global land cover database.

### GLCN objectives

1. Offer assistance to countries in developing harmonized land cover products;
2. Provide training and contribute to national capacity in analysing and assessing land cover and use change and its proximate driving forces;
3. Collaborate in harmonizing land cover mapping and producing regional and global land cover products;
4. Assist in setting up Regional and National Data Infrastructures.

### Need for a country report

To allow GLCN to meet its objectives and meet the requirements of individual countries it is important that we have complete information of the current status of land cover activities in individual countries. We therefore ask participants to complete the attached form for their individual countries.

#### Basic Information

1. Country:
2. Participants completing the form (e.g. Latham and Von Hagen):

#### Overview of country land cover activities

Please provide a short overview of the land cover activities which are currently operational or have taken place (including data availability (use separate page if necessary or provide additional documentation).

3. Overview of country land cover activities:

#### Areas of major country concern

Please indicate the main areas of concern to the country, e.g. food insecurity, sustainable development, deforestation, etc..

4. Overview of country land cover activities:

## Requirements of country to the international community

Please indicate what land cover activities, datasets, measurements are considered essential to address the above major country concerns. Indicate if you have access to this data. Please indicate which of these variables it would be beneficial to receive assistance from GLCN and other international initiatives.

### 5. Essential variables:

## Country institutions involved in land cover activities

Please list all institutions which are involved in land cover activities in your country (preferably in order of importance). Institutions should be listed in order of importance/relevance.

### 6. Institute 1

- a. Name of institute:
- b. Affiliation (e.g. part of ministry of environment)
- c. Collaboration with other institutes (within the country and internationally):
- d. Overview of institute (i.e. what is its role and activities):
- e. Data available (include age and scale if available):
- f. Contact person and contact details (i.e. e-mail):
- g. Web address:

### 7. Institute 2

- h. Name of institute:
- i. Affiliation (e.g. part of ministry of environment)
- j. Collaboration with other institutes (within the country and internationally):
- k. Overview of institute (i.e. what is its role and activities):
- l. Data available (include age and scale if available):
- m. Contact person and contact details (i.e. e-mail):
- n. Web address:

### 8. Institute 3

- o. Name of institute:
- p. Affiliation (e.g. part of ministry of environment)
- q. Collaboration with other institutes (within the country and internationally):
- r. Overview of institute (i.e. what is its role and activities):
- s. Data available (include age and scale if available):

**t.** Contact person and contact details (i.e. e-mail):

**u.** Web address:

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**v.** Name of institute:

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**x.** Collaboration with other institutes (within the country and internationally):

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**bb.** Web address:

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**ee.** Collaboration with other institutes (within the country and internationally):

**ff.** Overview of institute (i.e. what is its role and activities):

**gg.** Data available (include age and scale if available:

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