

Does Cote D'ivoire Shift the Paradigm or Adapt the Methodology to Manage Rural Land with Social Equity?

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SUMMARY

"Cote d'Ivoire was one of the first country in West Africa with an innovative and consensual land law. In 1998, the Parliament has voted the Rural Land Law (Loi 98-750 du 23 décembre 1998 sur le domaine foncier rural) unanimously. Initially aimed to recognize traditional and customary Land rights and to start implementing freehold ownership, its implementation is very poor 17 years later. This presentation aims to describe the land certification process, identify the challenges and analyse how formalizing land policy (as recommended by AU Declaration) and using land tools (STDM, VGGT, F&G and LPI) could help the implementation's take off".