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# Pathways for integrating land tenure into land degradation neutrality

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## Pathways

### ▶ VGGT and LDN Principles ▼

**Pathways:** ways to apply the VGGT principles to achieve LDN; “how” questions of implementation

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Case studies: lessons  
learnt



**Integration of the VGGTs into UNCCD implementation & into LDN programmes** through pathways describing *how* to apply the VGGT principles to achieve LDN (“bridging VGGT and LDN”).

Pathway 1:  
Legal & policy framework

Pathway 2:  
Targeted Policy Coordination

Pathway 3:  
Women’s land rights

Pathway 4:  
Integrated Land Use Planning

Pathway 5:  
Accessible grievance  
mechanisms

Pathway 6:  
Land consolidation for LDN

Pathway 7:  
Tenure rights on public lands

Pathway 8:  
Tenure rights for commons

Pathway 9:  
Incentives for SLM on private  
land

**Case Studies<sub>1,2,n</sub>**

- inform the formulation of pathways
- allow insights into barriers and enablers of integration

**Pathways**  
**1 & 2**

coordination across space and sectors  
and between national and local levels

legal and policy framework and  
targeted coordination at relevant  
levels

**Pathway 3**

ensuring that women benefit from  
sustainable land management



Pathway 4

**integrated land use planning:** (i) rights literacy, (ii) access to information, (iii) participation

Pathway 5

accessible **grievance and redress mechanisms:** (i) participatory design, (ii) avoiding displacement, (iii) compensation

Pathway 6

**land consolidation for LDN:** (i) valuation and reallocation, (ii) dispute resolution, (iii) consolidation and compensation



## Pathway 7

**acknowledging legitimate tenure rights on public lands:** tools for decentralized, sustainable, and equitable management

## Pathway 8

**designing tenure rights for the commons:** (i) recognition of commons, (ii) inclusive institutions for SLM

## Pathway 9

**incentives for LDN on private lands:** (i) securing rights, (ii) rights and obligations of private lands





## ► Discussion

