SPATIAL PLANNING FOR LAND USE AND PROTECTION AS AN ANTI-POVERTY TOOL IN RURAL AREAS

CASE STUDY OF INNOVATIVE APPROACHES ON THE AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT PROJECT FOR UKRAINE FUNDED BY THE U.S. AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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FORMATION OF AMALGAMATED TERRITORIAL COMMUNITIES IN UKRAINE

876 Amalgamated Communities Created

209.6 Thousand km sq

9.0 mln People

37.6 % Territory of Ukraine

25 % Population of Ukraine

1.285 Amalgamated Communities to be created

457.3 Thousand km sq

82.0 % Territory of Ukraine
FORMATION OF AMALGAMATED TERRITORIAL COMMUNITIES IN UKRAINE

DYNAMIC

- **2015**
  - Amalgamated Communities: 159
  - People: 1.4
  - Territory: 36.9

- **2016**
  - Amalgamated Communities: 366
  - People: 3.2
  - Territory: 89.2

- **2017**
  - Amalgamated Communities: 665
  - People: 5.7
  - Territory: 166.7

- **2018**
  - Amalgamated Communities: 876
  - People: 9.0
  - Territory: 209.6

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FORMATION OF AMALGAMATED TERRITORIAL COMMUNITIES IN UKRAINE

646 Amalgamated Territorial Communities

RECEIVED IN COMMUNAL PROPERTY

14.51 thou km sq
Of agricultural lands
TOP-10 TYPICAL PROBLEMS OF THE COMMUNITY IN THE MANAGEMENT OF LAND RESOURCES

1. Lack of clear **boundaries of territories under ATC jurisdiction**

2. Lack of authority to dispose of **lands in state and communal ownership**

3. Insufficient local budget revenues from **land fees (tax and lease payments)**

4. Inability to plan activities due to **lack of information on resources**

5. **Land pollution** (litter, dumping, animal burial sites, radiation pollution, etc.)

6. Inability to satisfy **needs and interests of citizens to obtain land parcels**

7. **Lack of proposals to attract investors and conduct business**

8. **No areas reserved** for community development

9. **Improvement systems** not serviced nor duly maintained

10. **Illegal use** of forests
COMMUNITY CAPACITY TO MANAGE LAND RESOURCES

CITIZENS AND LEGAL ENTITIES

- lack **equal access** to land
- are forced to obtain **excessive permits** and approvals
- are subject to **strict regulations** and controls by state agencies
- face risk of **corruption**
- lack **protection of their rights** to land

COMMUNITIES

- lack **relevant authority** to manage land resources
- lack **information** required for decision-making
- lack **relevant experience, skills, and comprehensive tools** for efficient land management to ensure economic development and attraction of investments
TOOLS FOR LAND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

AVAILABLE POWERS OF LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT

- Establishing boundaries of the territory under community jurisdiction
- Approval of land-use documentation
- Community territory planning

FINANCIAL PROVISIONS FOR LAND MANAGEMENT

- Local budget
- State funds and programs
- International assistance

ORGANIZATIONAL SUPPORT

- Experts on land surveying and urban development
- Working group
- Public discussions
ALGORITHM OF IMPLEMENTATION OF LAND ADMINISTRATION

1. **Data collection**
2. Establish an **electronic database**
3. Form an address **registry and electronic cartographic base**
4. Comprehensive identification of **natural resources**
5. Outline of current **land resource use**
6. Outline **land use restrictions**
7. Plan for **land improvements and land protection measures**
8. Outline **spatial planning and future land use**
9. **Monetary land evaluation** (adjustment)
10. Publicize program and hold **public discussions**
CASE STUDY
LAND PLANNING AS A TOOL FOR DEVELOPMENT: EXPERIENCE OF THE KIPTI COMMUNITY, CHERNIHIV REGION

WHY THIS PILOT:

- Engagement of state agencies to collect and analyze territory spatial data for accuracy, reliability, and relevance
- Introduction and use of geo-information technologies, rather than paper maps
- Publication of all available data on land and resources on the community website
- Consideration of community needs in comprehensive planning for land use and protection, defining efficient land use mechanisms and complying with environmental standards
- Involvement of businesses and local authority in the planning process and holding open public discussions
EXPERIENCE OF THE KIPTI COMMUNITY, CHERNIHIV REGION

ACHIEVEMENTS: Development of the economic potential of the community

2700 ha
Of agricultural land
Transferred to community in September 2018

1.8 mln UAH
Additional budget receipts from land payment in 2018-2019

3.0 mln UAH
2.6 mln UAH
2018
2017
Land fee

1 investment project
Creation of a solid waste recycling center and energy efficiency improvement in Kipti community
EXPERIENCE OF THE PALANKA COMMUNITY, CHERKASSY REGION

ACHIEVEMENTS: Transparent Land Management System and Other Resources at the Local Level Based on ArcGIS

896 ha
State-owned land
Planned for transfer to communal property

98 ha
Of land
Planned for sale through auctions and attracting investors

~500 thous UAH
Planned increase in budget revenues annually
RESULTS AND BENEFITS OF LAND MANAGEMENT

- Resolves most of the common problems faced by amalgamated territorial communities
- Identifies wasteland locations and enables communities to plan for these locations in economic activities, including through auctions
- Increases revenues used for local budgets, gathering revenue from land fees through tax accounting of lands and of payers of land taxes and lease fees
- Enables formation of land plots suitable for transfer from state ownership into communal ownership
- Enables businesses and investors to choose the most suitable location for their activities and encourages fair competition
- Investment in community facilities secured by land titles will improve rural social infrastructure, facilitate sustainable community development, reduce unemployment, and increase residents’ income
- Publicizing information on land resources and advanced plans for use and protection of lands becomes a tool for community economic development and has a powerful anticorruption impact
LOCAL SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

79
Partner Amalgamated Communities

10
Model Amalgamated Communities

6
Regions

Kharkiv
12 CCs

Dniproptrovsk
26 CCs

Kherson
13 CCs

Zaporizhzhya
13 CCs

Luhansk
7 CCs

Donetsk
8 CCs
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