

WOLTS Seminar

Today’s seminar on Mokoro's multi-country strategic research project on Women's Land Tenure Security (WOLTS) is chaired by Mokoro Principal Consultant and WOLTS Team Leader, Elizabeth Daley. The WOLTS project got underway almost two years ago and this seminar offers the first major opportunity in the UK to hear directly from the WOLTS team about the initial findings from their research so far.

The team have been investigating the intersection of gender and land relations in four pastoralist communities in mineral-rich areas of Mongolia and Tanzania. The seminar will set out key findings and provide insight into the participatory approach and methodology that the team have developed in their work in the communities through various fieldwork phases to date.

Mokoro's partners on WOLTS are HakiMadini in Tanzania and People Centred Conservation in Mongolia. Team members from both organisations are speaking at the seminar alongside core Mokoro team members.

We hope you will find our initial results as fascinating as we do and we look forward to a lively discussion and exchange with seminar attendees.



Agenda

10.00	Arrival, tea and coffee	
10.15	Introduction to WOLTS	Elizabeth Daley and Zoe Driscoll (Mokoro)
10.45	Mongolia initial findings	Narangerel Yansanjav and Lkhamdulam Natsagdorj (People Centred Conservation)
11.15	Tanzania initial findings	Joyce Ndakaru (Haki Madini) and Jim Grabham (Mokoro)
11.45	WOLTS wider context	Amani Mustafa Mhinda (Haki Madini) and Kristina Lanz (Mokoro)
12.00	Discussions and questions to the team	

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WOLTS aims to improve the land tenure security of women and vulnerable groups within communities and to support communities as a whole to protect their land from external threats, with an initial contextual focus on pastoralism and mining. Our study first investigates the state of land relations and then seeks ways to improve gender equity in local land tenure governance and management that are grounded in our research findings and which draw on international good practice. WOLTS is an action-oriented research project and emphasises capacity building of local people, partner organisations, and land tenure governance institutions and processes to contribute to tangible improvements in the land rights of women and vulnerable groups.

Mokoro holds quarterly seminars on key development themes, to deepen our understanding of development issues and add to current debates. Our seminars feature Mokoro consultants and other development experts. Our aim is to deliver both informative and thought-provoking sessions. The seminars are also a chance to meet the Mokoro team and get to know us. To ensure that you are kept informed about Mokoro’s work and to hear about future seminars, please ensure that you are signed up to our seminar and newsletter email mailing lists. To do this please send an email to Zoe Driscoll (zdriscoll@mokoro.co.uk) or sign up via our website (www.mokoro.co.uk).