

**SELECT BIBLIOGRAPHY OF REPORTS AND PRESS CUTTINGS
ON LAND RIGHTS IN AFRICA AND GLOBAL LAND GRABBING,
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Note: On 31 July 2013 I posted 3 select bibliographies on *Biofuels, Land Rights in Africa and Global Land Grabbing* covering the years 2006-2013 on the [Land Rights in Africa](#) website which I have managed since 2000 and which has recently posted its 1000th entry.

I did so in an attempt to arouse awareness of what I regarded as a very dangerous phenomenon with likely extremely serious long-term consequences for small-scale farmers across Africa. I noted then that awareness had certainly been raised from many quarters and I said that they would definitely be my last round of bibliographies.

Largely for my own information I continued to list reports and press cuttings which I have found relevant or useful. But now that 4 years have passed I thought it might be helpful, especially to some of the postgraduate students with whom I have been in contact recently, to also post this list, which runs to 78 pages and covers the 4 years from August 2013 to August 2017. I have dropped biofuels from the current title and thought seriously about replacing it with palm oil!

Much of this coverage makes for pretty grim reading. A huge concern across Africa is that elites, at national and local levels, have both become complicit in land grabbing and also frequently come to despise small-scale farmers and pastoralists and seek answers in outsiders who know how to farm 'properly'. Very few lessons appear to have been learnt from colonial experiences. As the late Lionel Cliffe often asked, 'doesn't anyone remember the Tanganyika Groundnuts Scheme?'

This bibliography is divided into reports and press cuttings, arranged in alphabetical order. A few items are included in both.

The **reports** section comprises a '1stXI' of Future Agricultures Consortium, GRAIN, IIED, IISD, Mokoro, Oakland Institute, Oxfam, Pambazuka News, PLAAS, RRI and TNI, followed by a further 36 from Action Aid to the World Resources Institute.

The **press cuttings** cover Global, Africa, 31 African countries or regions from Angola to Zimbabwe, followed by Middle East, Asia and China. The countries with greatest coverage are Ethiopia, Liberia, Mozambique, Sierra Leone, and Tanzania.

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