



Land Matrix and the Centre for the Study of Governance Innovation (GovInn)
invite you to the launch of

***The Analytical Report II: International Land Deals
for Agriculture
Fresh insight from the Land Matrix***

Date: Tuesday, 11 October 2016

Time: 10:00 – 11:00 with light refreshments served after

Venue: GovInn Headquarters, Old College House, University of Pretoria Main Campus (Hatfield)

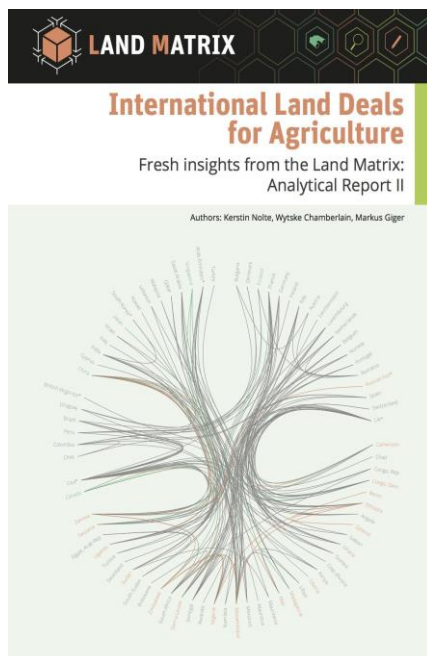
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Around the world, 26.7 million hectares of agricultural land have been transferred into the hands of foreign investors since the year 2000. This means that these investors possess approximately 2 per cent of the arable land worldwide, or roughly the equivalent to the total area covered by United Kingdom and Slovenia together. This finding comes from a new report entitled Land Matrix Analytical Report II: International Land Deals for Agriculture, to be released on 11 October worldwide. The report provides detailed information on who is buying up farmland in which regions of the world and how this land is being used. It also highlights the economic, social, and political impacts of land grabs.

“This report is very relevant considering the recent decision by the International Criminal Court to hold company executives, politicians and other individuals criminally responsible for environmental destruction and land grabbing,” said Wytse Chamberlain, University of Pretoria researcher who will present the report along with Land Matrix coordinator Saliou Niassy.

From 11 October 2016 the report is downloadable from www.landmatrix.org

About the Land Matrix

The Land Matrix is a global and independent initiative that collects data on land acquisitions in low- and middle-income countries. Its goal is to promote transparency and accountability in decisions over land and investment. It is coordinated by a network of international research institutions and organisations.

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