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- Introduction to the World Bank Land Conference



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1. Introduction to the Land Conference (LC)



History & Objectives

History

- **The conference** for the land sector **for over 20 years**
- **Relaunched in 2024 with new governance structure and event format** to improve quality & advance the global land agenda

Objectives

- **Share knowledge** on emerging best practices and innovative research
- Advocate for **evidence-based policy making**
- Facilitate and advance **multi-stakeholder dialogues and collaboration**
- Build **global partnerships and commitments** around land

Organization

•The World Bank

- Global Practice of Urban, Disaster Risk Management, Resilience and Land (GPURL): Overall event organization, setting sub-themes, proposal selection, and arranging keynotes and regional workshops
- Development Economics (DEC): Organization of research sessions, including academic peer review

•Advisory Group

- WB technical experts and representatives of development partners (bilateral/multilateral institutions and foundations that contribute financially to the Conference) and an international civil society organization
- Advises on themes/contents, conducts stakeholder outreach

LC 2025 Sessions

- **Opening Session** “How Land Systems Create Jobs and Unlock the Future of Energy” featuring keynote by Rohitesh Dhawan, President and CEO of the ICMM and panel discussion
- **3 other Plenary Sessions** related to: Tenure and Inclusivity, Land System Modernization, and Land Systems for Jobs and Growth
- **32 Operational Sessions** related to: e- Governance, Energy Transition, Urbanization, Climate/Disaster, Land Management, Standards, Women's Rights
- **10 Regional Operational Workshops** featuring presentations by Governments and region-specific policy and technical discussions
- **11 Research Sessions** featuring evidence on outcomes of land governance and tenure interventions



2. Plans for LC 2027

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Session Types (opportunities to contribute)

•Plenaries

- **One per day led by WB with partners:** Opening, Global Land Policy and Governance Forum, Evidence for Policy-Making, Country Best Practice, Closing

•Operational Sessions (session proposals)

- **Thematic:** Showcase strategies and best practices related to one or more sub-themes
- **Global Land Initiative:** Advance global land policy initiatives and the global land agenda
- **Land Administration Best Practice:** Highlight sector best practice (unrelated to theme)
- **Training/Workshops:** Deep dives on technical topics – *New*

Gender, Youth, and Research Content Integration into Operational Sessions

- Additional points for integrating gender, youth and research into operational sessions

•Research Sessions (paper proposals)

- High quality, rigorous research to build the evidence base for policy making

•Regional Operational Workshops

- Regional technical lessons, challenges, and emerging innovations with a focus on South-South knowledge exchange
- Organized by the World Bank in collaboration with Clients and partners

•Solutions Expo (booth rental)

- Physical and/or virtual booth exhibition

•Innovation Lab (innovation challenge) – *New*

- Competitive call for proposals to demonstrate technologies led by civil society
- Submitters of winning proposals sponsored to attend the 2027 Land Conference

Agenda

April/May 2027

DAY	CONFERENCE SESSION
Monday	Plenary: Opening Session Operational Sessions (8) Research Sessions (2) Solutions Expo + Innovation Lab
Tuesday	Plenary: Global Land Policy and Governance Operational Sessions (12) Research Sessions (3) Solutions Expo + Innovation Lab
Wednesday	Plenary: Evidence for Policy-Making Operational Sessions (12) Research Sessions (3) Solutions Expo + Innovation Lab
Thursday	Plenary: Country Best Practice Regional Operational Workshops (3 time slots) Research Sessions (3) Closing

Registration and Fees

- **In-person registration limited to 850 people** due to room capacity and to allow focused discussions.
- **ALL participants apply through Expression of Interest (EOI)**
WB will review/approve EOIs using lottery for in-person; no cap per organization.
- **Max 5 per official country delegation (max 3 per agency)**
Delegates submit official nomination to EOI. Exceptions considered on request.
- **In-person registration approved for all accepted panelists, sponsors, and physical booth exhibitors** (up to sponsorship/exhibition level benefit).
- **\$400 registration fee for all in-person participants**
No fee for virtual registration only; no early bird fee; World Bank staff excepted.
- **\$2,000 session fee for all operational* sessions**
to offset services costs incl. simultaneous interpretation; WB sessions excepted.
- **Standard side event package: \$2,000 fee, no interpretation/streaming – New**
All side events must have WB sponsor; LC sponsor and WB side events excepted.

FEES	PRICE
Virtual Participation (Cvent)	\$0
Registration Fee (upon acceptance)	\$400
Operational Session Fee (upon acceptance)	\$2,000

*Thematic, Global Land Initiative, Land Administration Best Practice, Training/Workshop

Sponsorship

•Sponsorship Levels:

•*New for 2027* (★): Dedicated conference room, free side event, additional sponsor levels

		Logo on All Media	Expo Booth	Complimentary tickets	Conference Visibility
\$100,000+	Champion	✓	✓	10	Gold perks + short plenary remarks
\$50,000+	Gold	✓	✓	10	Silver perks + complimentary side event ★
\$25,000+	Silver	✓	✓	5	Acknowledgement in the Plenary, conference room ★

Funds Transfer Modalities:

Development Partner Sponsors

- Land Conference Grant under Land 2030 through Admin Agreement

Private Sponsors

- High value CVENT ticket or bank transfer with receipt

Solutions Expo

LEVEL	AMOUNT
Virtual	\$5,000
Physical	\$10,400

Demonstrate your innovations and engage stakeholders



“The National Agency of Public Registry (NAPR) of Georgia utilized a physical booth at the land conference to highlight transformative achievements in the land sector. At the booth, NAPR showcased its fully digitalized, systematic land registration approach, including the world’s first smart contract service for real estate transactions. This innovation enables Georgian citizens to complete real estate transactions entirely remotely, providing secure, traceable financial transactions from the comfort of their homes and significantly reducing time and effort.

The booth fostered valuable connections, allowing NAPR to engage with international representatives, exchange insights, and explore collaboration opportunities. We also discussed pathways for potential MoUs and partnerships with like-minded organizations and hosted delegations from various countries interested in adopting our solutions”.

Elene Grigolia – Project Manager | PMP® Land Administration, Digital Transformation and Innovation at NAPR

LC 2027 Timeline (TBC)



- **October 2025:** Launch Land Conference (LC) 2027 planning
- **April/May 2026:** Announce dates and themes for LC 2027
- **October 2026:** Launch Registration Expression of Interest (EOI) + Call for Proposals
- **November 2026:** Session and Paper Proposals and EOIs due
- **December 2026:** Sponsorship and exhibition funds due
- **Mid-December 2026:** Notify approved proposals and approve speaker EOIs
- **January 2027:** Close EOI, approve General Attendees based on available capacity
- **April/May 2027:** 2027 Land Conference

Innovation Lab @ WBLC *New for 2027*



A global challenge to identify **innovative and scalable** land sector technologies



Co-creation and **partnership** opportunities with private sector and academia



An innovation **committee** of WB and external experts that reviews proposals



An interactive space to showcase innovative **civil society-led tech** at 2027 LC

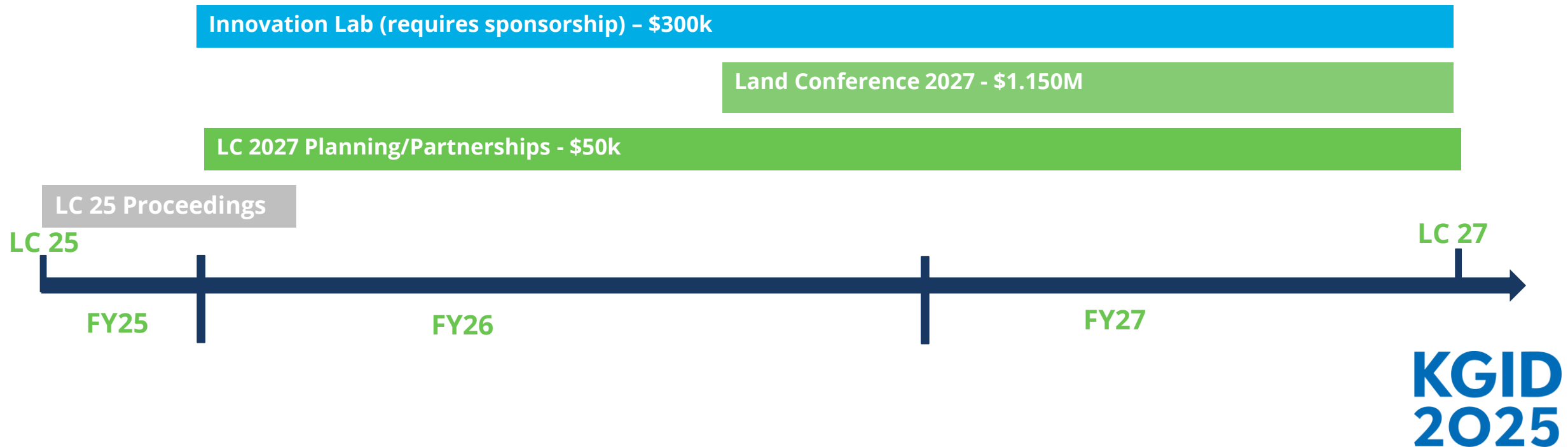
**LC2027 budget,
timeline and
activities**

**Innovation Lab: \$300,000 (requires
sponsorship)**

LC 2027 Planning/Partnerships: \$50,000

LC 2027 Production: \$1,150,000

TOTAL: \$1,500,000 (incl. Innovation Lab)





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Thank You!

