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STATEGEOCADASTRE

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How Cadastre and Land Registry can jointly contribute to Ukraine reconstruction? What are the main values of their Cadastre & Land Registry system?

In accordance with the Law of Ukraine “On the State Land Cadastre”, the State Land Cadastre is a unified state geoinformation

system of information on land located within the state border of Ukraine, their designated purpose, use limitations, as well as data on quantitative and qualitative characteristics of land, their evaluation, distribution of land between owners and users, land reclamation networks and components of land reclamation networks.

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The State Land Cadastre is based on the following basic

* For the period of martial law in Ukraine, introduced after the full-scale invasion of the Russian Federation on 24 February 2023, public access to the Public Cadastral Map is limited.

principles: mandatory recording of information on all its objects in the State Land Cadastre; unity of methodology of the State Land Cadastre; objectivity, reliability and completeness of information in the State Land Cadastre; recording of information in the State Land Cadastre strictly on the basis of and in accordance with this Law; transparency and accessibility of information in the State Land Cadastre*, legality of its receipt, dissemination and storage; ensuring continuity of entering information on changing objects of the State Land Cadastre into the State Land Cadastre; documenting all information of the State Land Cadastre.

The purpose (mission) of the State Service of Ukraine for Geodesy, Cartography and Cadastre is to ensure transparent and efficient land management, which will ensure the exercise of citizens' constitutional rights to freely dispose of their property, fill databases with complete, up-to-date and reliable information on land plots, return to modern market relations and fully involve the land



of the entire territory of Ukraine in economic turnover, create a land monitoring system that will ensure proper land protection and reproduction of fertile soil.



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The National Economic Strategy of Ukraine for the period up to 2030, approved by the Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine No. 179 dated 03.03.2021, defines the creation and maintenance of the National Spatial Data Infrastructure as one of the main priorities of the state development. These activities include the creation, updating, processing, storage and use of geospatial data. In accordance with the Decree of the President of Ukraine No. 266/2022 of 21 April 2022, the National Council for the Recovery of Ukraine from the Consequences of War has developed an action plan for the post-war recovery and development of Ukraine. The draft action plan of the New Agrarian Policy working group contains paragraph 5.9 “Mapping the territory of Ukraine and

creating a National Spatial Data Infrastructure”.

The State Land Cadastre plays a crucial role in reforming land relations as an information base for effective land management, maintaining the registration system, land management, supporting the state’s tax and innovation policy, establishing and developing the land market, and justifying land payments. The State Land Cadastre is the main means of implementing the state’s land policy at all stages of society’s development. In the post-war period, the State Land Cadastre has become an important tool for economic development, restoration of post-war infrastructure and sustainable development. The State Land Cadastre can contribute to the post-war recovery of Ukraine at various levels:

- First, the availability of a centralised database of land plots can facilitate the efficient allocation of resources for infrastructure reconstruction

and construction. The land cadastre allows for the collection and analysis of information on available land plots, their use and owners, which helps land management in planning recovery projects.

- Secondly, the State Land Cadastre is a tool for providing legal certainty to landowners and investors. After the war, there may be problems with land ownership and land usage. Having a centralised database of land plots helps to establish the legal status of each land plot, reducing risks for investors and stimulating economic development.
- Thirdly, the State Land Cadastre promotes transparency and the fight against corruption. By making information about land plots accessible and verifiable, it becomes harder to be influenced by corruption and illegal transactions.

In addition to the above, the State Land Cadastre is an important element for ensuring sustainable

development and environmental safety, as it allows for the control of land utilisation and the prevention of illegal development or exploitation of natural resources.

All of these factors together help to improve the effectiveness of post-war reconstruction, infrastructure recovery and economic stability.

ELRA is a legal association, which contributions can you offer as an organisation?

As an observer in the European Land Registry Association, the State Service of Ukraine for Geodesy, Cartography and Cadastre can offer an experience and expertise in the field of the State Land Cadastre, land relations, land management, National Spatial Data Infrastructure, topographic geodetic and mapping activities, state control over the land usage and protection of all categories and forms of ownership, soil fertility, and provision of administrative services.

In accordance with the Regulation on the StateGeoCadastre approved by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine on 14 January 2015 No. 15, the StateGeoCadastre, in accordance with its assigned tasks:

- 1) summarises the practice of application of legislation on issues within its competence, develops proposals for improvement of legislative acts, acts of the President of Ukraine



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and the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, and regulatory acts of ministries and submits them to the Minister of Agrarian Policy and Food of Ukraine in accordance with the established procedure;

2) ensures the adaptation of national legislation to EU legislation on issues within its competence; within the powers provided by law, takes measures to implement the provisions of international treaties to which Ukraine is a party into national legislation;

3) develops:

- regulatory and technical documents, state standards, norms and rules in the field of land relations in accordance with the procedure established by law;

- standards and technical regulations in the field of the State Land Cadastre in accordance with the law, as well as procedures for creating and updating cartographic materials, cadastral classifiers, reference books and databases;

- regulatory and technical documentation on geodesy, cartography and geoinformation systems;

4) maintain and administer the State Land Cadastre, information interaction of the State Land Cadastre with other information systems in



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accordance with the established procedure;

5) organise land management and land valuation works on the respective territory, which are carried out with the aim of entering data into the State Land Cadastre;

6) carry out state registration of land plots and limitations on their usage;

7) maintains land books and issues extracts from the State Land Cadastre on land plots;

8) ensures use of information of the State Land Cadastre, organises training and

professional development of state cadastral registrars;

9) organises the implementation of works related to the land reform.

In addition, we hope that the unique experience of the StateGeoCadastre in managing the State Land Cadastre, regulating land relations and improving the provision of electronic services under martial law will serve as a good example for European authorities responsible for maintaining the land registry in organising activities during crisis situations.