

Ref N°	Project title	Consulting services to the "Programme for Communal Land Development"						
Name of legal entity	Country	Overall project value (EUR)	Proportion carried out by legal entity (%)	Quantity of staff provided (persons-month)	Name of client	Origen of funding	Dates (start/end)	Name of partners if any
GOPA Consultants	Namibia	TA: 3.790.000 (Paid until 28.02.19: 3,514,775.79)	70	4 long-term experts (175 person-months) and 40 short-term months	Ministry of Lands and Resettlement (MLR)	KfW	09/2014 - 09/2019	AMBERO Consulting
Detailed description of project				Type of services provided				
<p>Background</p> <p>Since the early 1990's, the Namibian Government carries out an ambitious land reform programme, which aims at bringing about more equitable land distribution and access to land, promote sustainable economic growth, lower income equalities and reduce poverty. One component of the land reform programme concentrates on communal land (formerly "homelands"), with the following key objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> development of under-utilised or „virgin“ land for agricultural purposes (i.e. establishment of small-scale commercial farms (SSCFs)); and improving tenure security and granting of long-term leaseholds. <p>The responsible ministry -Ministry of Lands and Resettlement (MLR)- receives financial and technical support through the Namibian-German Co-operation to implement the above mentioned components of its land reform programme focussing on communal areas. The money is provided in form of a basket fund aimed at supporting MLR in its endeavours to register customary land rights in communal areas, to develop under-utilised and unutilised land (i.e. SSCFs) and to produce integrated land use plans.</p> <p>Objectives</p> <p>The overall objective "Enhanced sustainable land management practices, improved productivity and market-orientation through securing land rights, infrastructure investments and (access to) advisory services allow beneficiaries in the communal areas to improve their livelihoods".</p> <p>The programme and the consulting services are divided along 4 key result areas as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verified and mapped existing customary Land Rights and Leaseholds in communal areas are registered, secured in the administration system for communal lands and registered to the beneficiaries; Participatory Integrated Regional Land Use Plans (IRLUPs) and Local Level Participatory Plans (LLPP) are developed in accordance with MLR standards; Core infrastructure investments identified through the participatory planning processes (LLPP) have been implemented and improve the conditions for commercial land-based development in designated areas; and The MLR has increased the capacity to assume its mandate for the management and development of communal lands. <p>A 5th component is implemented by GIZ on the provision of advisory services to tap into the improved physical environment and successfully pursue more commercially driven modes of production and farm productivity increases".</p>				<p>Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Verified and mapped existing customary Land Rights and Leaseholds in communal areas are registered, secured in the administration system for communal lands and registered to the beneficiaries. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stocktaking of the current Namibian Communal Land Allocation System (NCLAS) and electronic management system designed to manage the process of registration and administration of communal land and land rights in Namibia. Development of a plan of action for an improved NCLAS 2 Role out of the plan – to date this includes installation of regional servers and upgrading of the central Windhoek server, installation and migration of data. Improving the functionality of the NCLAS i.e. soft programming Ensuring the mapping, digitisation, entering and registration of communal land parcels (currently 52% of an estimate 236,000 parcels mapped and digitised and 38% entered into the system) Participatory Integrated Regional Land Use Plans (IRLUPs) and Local Level Participatory Plans (LLPP) are developed in accordance with MLR standards, including environmental assessments and standards. Development and management of the IRLUP and LLPP processes, including tendering of service contracts, monitoring of progress, ensuring the final products and compliance with MLR standards and criteria. Currently 2 IRLUPS are complete and 3 LLPPs complete with a further 3 close to completion. Core infrastructure investments identified through the participatory planning processes (LLPP) have been implemented and improve the conditions for commercial land-based development in designated areas. Based on the previous steps the contracting and supervision and monitoring of infrastructure development in selected areas will be executed. Currently primarily focusing on fencing, marketing and water infrastructure a total of circa 5 million Euro has already been committed, with a further 2 million Euro of contracts to be signed this month. The MLR has increased the capacity to assume its mandate for the management and development of communal lands. Currently training has been provided for a total of 22 trainers of trainers and 12 communal land boards. Also plans are being made to contract works for the infrastructure development of 4 new MLR offices, situated in Zambezi (Katima), Oshikoto (Omuthuiya) and Ohangwena (Eenhana), and Omusati (Outapi) regions. 				
				Name of key staff and position			Months worked on the project until 28.02.2019	
				Teamleiter, Long-term Basket Fund Consultant			48,5	
				Long-term Programme Implementation Consultant (contracted by Ambero)			38,209	
				Long-term Investment Planning Consultant			48,722	
				Monitoring and Evaluation Expert			7,13	