Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Thursday, 23 January 2025 14:00-16:00 (CET)   Hybrid event Hybrid event   UNDERSTANDING THE ROLE OF LAND RIGHTS FOR SUSTAINABLE RECONSTRUCTION IN CONFLICT AND POST-CONFLICT SETTINGS   The situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territories and what we can learn from the experience of Colombia, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Syria, and Timor-Leste		
14:00 – 14:05	OPENING Moderator: Benjamin Davis, Director, ESP-FAO	Introduction
14:05 – 14:20	THE SITUATION OF LAND IN THE OPT	
	Wael Zakout – Minister for International Cooperation and Planning of Palestine (online)	Historical context and current situation of the question of land in the OPT
14:20 – 14:35	STORIES FROM THE FIELD	
	Yasmeen El Hasan – Union of Agricultural Work Committees (online)	Challenges of Palestinian farmers in securing their land rights in the OPT
14:35 - 14:45	TECHNICAL BRIEFING NOTE	
	Ward Anseeuw – Land Tenure Team Leader, FAO	Presentation of technical briefing note
14:45 – 15:20	PANEL DISCUSSION: Colombia, Democratic Republic of Congo, Syria, East Timor	Elements of reflection for OPT:
	Shereen Al Abdallah – Coordinator, Regional Durable Solutions and Self-Reliance and Gaza Housing, Land and Property Technical Working Group, Norwegian Refugee Council (online)	What was the role of land and land tenure in peace building, justice and reconstruction in these crisis and post-crisis countries.
	Carlos Arturo Duarte Torres - Coordinator, Research Line on Rural Development and Territorial Planning, Institute of Intercultural Studies, Javeriana University of Cali (online)	
	Thierry Vircoulon – Coordinator, the Eastern and Central Africa Observatory	
	John Unruh – Professor, Department of Geography, McGill University (online)	
15:20 - 15:55	Q&A	
15:55 – 16:00	FINAL REMARKS AND CLOSING	Final remarks and closing
	Abdul Hakim Elwaer, Assistant Director- General and Regional Representative for the Near East and North Africa, FAO (online)	