



# ALIGN

Advancing Land-based Investment Governance



## Investment Governance in Cambodia

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### Resource list

#### Sustainable development, human rights, and responsible investment

- CFS Principles for Responsible Investment in Agriculture and Food Systems (available at <https://www.fao.org/policy-support/tools-and-publications/resources-details/en/c/422954/>)
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- Brooke Guven, Briefing Note: Investment Promotion and Facilitation for Sustainable Development, (CCSI, 2020) (available at <https://ccsi.columbia.edu/sites/default/files/content/Briefing%20Note%20-%20Investment%20Promotion%20and%20Facilitation%20for%20Sustainable%20Development-%20FINAL.pdf>)
- The Responsible Land-Based Investment Navigator (available at <https://landinvestments.org/>)

## Investment incentives

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- IMF, OECD & World Bank. 2015. Options for low income countries’ effective and efficient use of tax incentives for investment. (available at <https://www.oecd.org/tax/options-for-low-income-countries-effective-and-efficient-use-of-tax-incentives-for-investment.htm>).
- James, S. 2013. *Tax and Non-Tax Incentives and Investments: Evidence and Policy Implications*. Investment Climate Advisory Services of the World Bank Group. (available at: [https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=2401905](https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2401905)).
- Kronfol and Steenbergen, *Evaluating the Costs and Benefits of Corporate Tax Incentives Methodological Approaches and Policy Considerations* (World Bank, 2020) (available at <https://openknowledge.worldbank.org/handle/10986/33433>)

- Kronfol et al, *Women at Work: How Can Investment Incentives Be Used to Enhance Economic Opportunities for Women?* (World Bank, 2019) (available at <https://openknowledge.worldbank.org/handle/10986/32055>)
- Tavares-Lehmann et al, *Rethinking Investment Incentives: Trends and Policy Options* (Columbia University Press, 2016) (available at <https://ccsi.columbia.edu/content/rethinking-investment-incentives-trends-and-policy-options>)

## Investment assessment processes – screening & due diligence

- Forthcoming: CCSI & FAO guidance on screening and due diligence for responsible investments in agriculture and food systems.
- Kelly Dudine and Sam Szoke-Burke. 2020. *Government Briefing: Incorporating Free, Prior and Informed Consent into Investment Approval Processes*. Columbia Center on Sustainable Investment (available at: <https://ccsi.columbia.edu/content/government-briefing-incorporating-free-prior-and-informed-consent-fpic-investment-approval>)

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- Lorenzo Cotula, "Land Rights and Investment Treaties: Exploring the Interface" (International Institute for Environment and Development, 2015) (available at <https://pubs.iied.org/12578iied>)

- Lorenzo Cotula, Investment disputes from below: whose rights matter? Mining, environment and livelihoods in Colombia (IIED, 2020) (available at <https://www.iied.org/investment-disputes-below-whose-rights-matter>)
- Lorenzo Cotula, Raising the bar on responsible investment: what role for investment treaties? (IIED, 2018) (available at <https://pubs.iied.org/17454iied>)
- Lorenzo Cotula and Mika Schröder, Community perspectives in investor-state arbitration (IIED, 2017) (available at <https://pubs.iied.org/12603iied>)
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- Kyla Tienhaara and Lorenzo Cotula, “Raising the cost of climate action? Investor-state dispute settlement and compensation for stranded fossil fuel assets” (IIED, 2020) (available at <https://pubs.iied.org/17660iied>)