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## SPARC leads debate at the IGAD Highlevel Regional Conference on Land and Conflict in the East and Horn of Africa

How can participatory land use planning and informal and formal collaboration reduce conflict and support land tenure security? Our expert panels will discuss this and much more at this conference.

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Supporting Pastoralism and Agriculture in Recurrent and Protracted Crises (SPARC) is joining the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD), the International Development Law Organization (IDLO), and the International Land Coalition (ILC), together with the Government of Uganda, to hold a High-Level Regional Conference on Land and Conflict in the East and Horn of Africa from Monday, October 24 to Wednesday 26 October.

The conference will be held in-person in Kampala, Uganda and streamed online. A series of expert panels will explore the links between land governance and conflict and the need for a people-centred approach focused on access to justice and the rule of law, peace, sustainable development, gender equality, and climate action.

In SPARC, we aim to generate evidence and address knowledge gaps to build the resilience of millions of pastoralists, agro-pastoralists and farmers in dryland communities in sub-Saharan Africa. Throughout the three-day conference, our researchers will lead discussions during a series of expert panels as they share their ongoing research and highlight evidence-based examples of successful approaches to reducing inter-community conflict. Join the SPARC team at its panels:

- Monday, October 24 from 11:00 13:00 EAT (9:00 11:00 BST) 'Addressing intercommunity land conflict: Participatory land use planning as a tool for conflict transformation' - register here.
- Monday, October 24 from 11:00 13:00 EAT (9:00 11:00 BST) 'Securing women's
  interests in land in the aftermath of conflict, including through civic and grassroots
  organising'- register <a href="here">here</a>.
- Wednesday, October 26 from 14:00 15:30 EAT (12:00 13:30 BST 'Addressing intercommunity land conflict: Promising informal/formal collaborations to reduce intercommunity conflict and strengthen land tenure security'- register <a href="here">here</a>.



A cattle trader at the animal market in Forobaranga, West Darfur Credit Image by Albert González Farran / UNAMID - CC BY-NC-ND 2.0

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