

Break Out Group Debrief

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- Communities need good intermediaries who work specifically for the communities and have the community perspective
- Give communities the time they need in order to:
 - Develop good internal processes and community institutions
 - Perform ownership mapping of their property and resources
 - Identify the appropriate decisions-makers within the community
 - Clarify gains and losses for each proposal

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- Private sector needs to be upfront and transparent about
 - Their objectives & timeframes
 - Their expectations for communities
- Companies should expect longer return on investment (find value in slower process)
- ****TENSION:** the private sector is being asked to both be upfront about information but also wait to for the outcomes of a community-driven decision process

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- Sustainable funding streams available to pay for technical and legal support to communities
- Information Asymmetry = Theme

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→ What is the change we want to make through dialogue? (Country Specific)

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- Support government to know what they need to do to lay the ground for secure investments that respect community rights
- Identify funding for third party support
- Support process learning between different stakeholders (public sector, private sector, government)
- Identify who needs to be engaged
- Build community economic capacity
- Discuss risks of increasing ease of private sector entry into communities
- Identify good intermediaries
- Build on existing platforms