

25th November 2021

Dear colleagues at International Youth Council Yemen,

Welcome to the membership of the International Land Coalition!

It is with great pleasure that we welcome you, on behalf of the network, as a new member into the ILC family. We are the Director of the 'One Team' stretching between Rome, Lima, Nairobi and Bogor (Mike), and the Regional Coordinator (Rabie Wahba) for EMENA. Our work is support you and other members in the work of ILC towards *People-centred Land Governance*.

We know it has been a long time from when you submitted your application to the decision by the 9th Assembly of Members last week. This is because above all ILC is a member-led coalition, and as such has a stringent and consultative process to decide on the acceptance of new members. We received many more applications than the Council was willing to consider, so we extend our congratulations for your successful acceptance. You are one of ILC's 301 members.

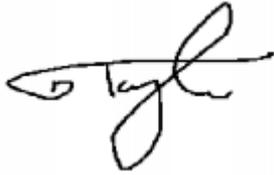
In your application, you announced what you want to bring to enrich the work of the coalition. This is what makes ILC so unique. With the diverse strengths of each member, ILC is indeed greater than the sum of its parts. ILC's new strategy 2030, which was also approved by the 9th Assembly, seeks to change the systems by which inequality and marginalization are perpetuated. We're ambitious in our effort to transform root causes, not just symptoms, through shifting power. We welcome you alongside!

We will shortly be inviting you to a webinar to meet each other, give you some highlights of what's coming up, and answer any questions. I would like to flag straightaway our excitement to meet you face-to-face at the Global Land Forum in Amman, Jordan 26th-30th March 2022. This is a very

special triennial event of the ILC membership. Please keep a look at your inboxes for the announcements coming up.

We look forward to your fruitful engagement and collaboration with the ILC network.

In solidarity,

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Michael Taylor
Director, International Land Coalition