A Comparative Analysis of Cadastral Systems in the EU Countries According to Basic Selected Criteria

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SUMMARY

The European Union (EU) has taken the road with some international moral values rather than economical worries. These values in the statute of key criteria during adaptation to the EU are directly related to land policy and management. In this context, some key criteria such as the establishment of free market, the protection of human rights and the support of environmental sustainability depend on effective land administration system, thus cadastre. That is the reason of the great importance of cadastre in the EU.

In 2002, the concept of the EU cadastre was opened for discussion with participations of member countries. The aim here is to shape the EU cadastre. At this point, the investigation of the cadastral system of each member country is required. This issue is also important for candidate countries such as Turkey because of their adaptation process to the EU.

The aim of this study is to make a comparative analysis by handling cadastral system of each member country in general terms. The study is divided into three parts. In the first part, general information about both the EU concept and member countries is given. In the second part, it is defined which criteria are required and important during the investigation of cadastral system of any country, and, according to these selected criteria, cadastral systems of member countries are analyzed. In the last part, general evaluations and conclusions are given.