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On Common Ground: International Perspectives on the Community Land Trust, available June 2020, is a collection of twenty-six original essays, written by forty-two scholars and practitioners from a dozen countries, tracing the growth and diversification of the international community land trust movement.

“The visionary leaders, communities and organizations featured in this book are at the forefront of a broader national and global movement to recalibrate the relationship between governments and markets in housing and development policy.”

—JERRY MALDONADO, Ford Foundation (from the Foreword)

A community land trust (CLT) is a transformative strategy of community-led development on community-owned land that has taken root in the Global North and is now spreading to the Global South. CLTs produce and preserve affordably priced homes, community gardens, retail spaces, and a variety of neighborhood facilities—all developed under the guidance of the people who live nearby; all stewarded to remain permanently affordable for people of modest means. CLTs promote place-based development that is both equitable and sustainable.

The publisher, Center for Community Land Trust Innovation, is a not-for-profit, nongovernmental organization that supports the development of community land trusts and similar strategies in countries throughout the world. The Center, founded in 2018, produces books, monographs, and audiobooks under its imprint: Terra Nostra Press.

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On Common Ground is divided into five parts, each examining the global CLT movement from a different angle:

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- The once and future Garden City
- Features and variations of “CLT classic”
- CLTs in cold markets
- Challenges for collective property
- Community-owned land: a platform for equitable and sustainable development

II. NATIONAL NETWORKS. Examining the proliferation and cross-pollination of CLTs in the Global North.
- Growth of CLTs in the United States
- Evolution of the CLT movement in England
- Growth of urban CLTs in Canada
- Evolution of the CLT movement in Europe

III. REGIONAL SEEDBEDS. Exploring the potential for CLT development in the Global South.
- Collective ownership of land in Latin America and the Caribbean
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- A watershed land trust in Honduras
- Lessons from CLT initiatives in Kenya
- Evolution of the CLT in south Asia

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- London Community Land Trust
- Brussels Community Land Trust
- Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative
- Denver’s Urban Land Conservancy
- Champlain Housing Trust
- Lands in trust for urban farming

V. CRITICAL PERSPECTIVES. Reflecting on the changing environment to which CLTs must adapt if they are to “go to scale,” while remaining accountable to their communities.
- The long march toward racial justice
- Bioethics and the CLT
- Preserving urban generativity
- Thinking beyond the generic CLT
- The challenging, transformative complexity of community, land and trust

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