# Women's Land Rights in Sub-Saharan Africa – experiences from Mozambique



## **Open LARRI seminar with Professor Randi Kaarhus from University of Nordland in Norway!**

When: 19 February 2014, 13.15-15.00 Where: Vasagatan 1 in Gothenburg at School of Business, Economics and Law, room B-44

Women at a land certification ceremony in Niassa, Northern Mozambique. Photo by Lasse Krantz, Project Leader of LARRI.

A majority of small-scale farmers in Sub-Saharan Africa are women. Few of them however have legal ownership titles to their land but usually get access to it through their husbands, male relatives or in other informal ways, making their landholding situation inherently dependent and insecure. Over the years there has been much debate on how to improve secure and independent access to land among African rural women. Experiences on how to achieve this goal in practice vary between countries.

This is a topic that will be discussed in an open LARRI seminar by **Professor Randi Kaarhus** from the University of Nordland in Norway. She is a social anthropologist with long experience from rural development policy research including land tenure changes and women's land rights in Sub-Saharan Africa. In her work she has had a particular focus on Mozambique, Malawi and Tanzania.

### **Program:**

13.15 -13.30: Introduction with video from Mozambique
13.30 -14.15: Presentation by Randi Kaarhus *"Women's Land Rights in Sub-Saharan Africa"*14.15 -15.00: Discussion moderated by Margareta Espling, University of Gothenburg



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### **Register:**

Please register for the open seminar to the LARRI Project Coordinator Maria Ölund: maria.olund@gu.se or through the LARRI Facebook event for this seminar: www.facebook.com/LandRightsResearchInitiative

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