

# Surveyors and Landconsolidation in the Last 100 Years and the Near Future

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## SUMMARY

100 years ago the first land consolidation projects were executed in The Netherlands. On a voluntary base, directed by Dutch Kadaster. After world war 2 land consolidation was the main instrument to improve the agricultural situation of the country. The surveyors played an important role in this process especially referring to the concentration of the parcels of the farmers. Many cadastral experts (untill 600 men/year) were involved.

At the end of the last century the aim was not only to improve the agricultural situation but also the environmental and recreational situation.

The last twenty years the execution of those projects reduced considerably.

Nowadays in the rural area there are big threats and challenges (management of energy, reduction of emission of CO<sub>2</sub> and nitrogen, reduction of the amount of cattle, location of windmills and solar panels)) that make the need for an adapted land instrument 2.0 actual. And in this process the landsurveyor should play an important role!