

Peacekeeping School Alioune Blondin Beye de Bamako

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Capacity Building of National Centers and the ECOWAS Early Warning Mechanism (NCCRM)

From Monday, May 17 to Friday, May 28, 2021, the Ecole de Maintien de la Paix Alioune Blondin Beye de Bamako, through its Director General, Colonel Souleymane Sangaré, had the great honor of welcoming the Vice-President of the ECOWAS Commission, Mrs. Finda Koroma; the GIZ-EPSAO Project Manager, Mr. Christian Voelkel; as well as the directors of the National Center for the Coordination and Response Mechanism (NCCRM).

The EMP-ABB participated in the organization and conduct of a **two (02) week training course** aimed at **building the capacities of the ECOWAS early warning system actors** through the staff of the National Centers for the Coordination of Response Mechanisms (NCCRM). This activity was made possible thanks to the support and accompaniment of the **ECOWAS Commission**; the **European Union (EU)** and the **Federal Republic of Germany** through the **Ecowas Peace and Security Architecture and Operations** (EPSAO) project.

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As a reminder, it was in **July 2014**, that the ECOWAS Heads of State and Government adopted a framework for the creation of National Coordination Centers for Response Mechanisms (**NCCRMs**).

These NCCRMs are mandated to, among other things, generate alerts for their respective governments on potential threats to human security; propose appropriate responses to these threats; and activate, coordinate and monitor the implementation of response activities.

In the pilot phase of the project (2015 - 2018), the ECOWAS Commission, through its Early Warning Directorate, established NCCRMs in five pilot countries: Mali, Liberia, Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire and Guinea Bissau.

The establishment of five (5) additional NCCRMs is currently underway in the Republic of Sierra Leone, Gambia, Togo, Guinea and Nigeria.









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The **main topics explored** during this training were:

- Human factors in the fight against terrorism;
- Human rights and gender in the fight against terrorism and violent extremism.

Thus, this training offered the ideal framework to reinforce and highlight the importance and necessity of integrating human rights and gender issues in the prevention and fight against violent extremism and terrorism; including the psychological factors associated to it.





Training Workshop and Advocacy Forum on Women's Rights and Protection in the Context of the Fight Against Violent Extremism and Terrorism

During the week of May 3 to 7, 2021, the Ecole de Maintien de la Paix Alioune Blondin Beye de Bamako conducted a training workshop and an advocacy forum on women's rights and protection in the context of the fight against violent extremism and terrorism.

The activity was attended by the Minister for the Promotion of Women, Children and Family, Ms. Bouaré Bintou Founé Samaké; the representative of the Minister of Defense and Veterans Affairs, Major General Souleymane Doucouré; the representative of the Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Koji Fukuhara; the Representative of the Executive Secretary of the G5 Sahel, Brigadier General Oumarou Namata; the representative of UN Women, Ms. Karin Grimm; and thirty (30) defence and security forces agents from the G5 Sahel countries.

This activity implemented with the support and accompaniment of the G5 Sahel, UN Women and Japan, allowed the training of thirty (30) defense and security forces agents from the G5 Sahel countries.

Training Workshop and Advocacy Forum on Women's Rights and Protection in the Context of the Fight Against Violent Extremism and Terrorism







The first three (3) days of the activity were dedicated to the training workshop, followed by two (2) days dedicated to the dialogue and advocacy forum with panels, roundtables and group work. Participants were able to explore and share their experiences in terms of good practices and lessons learned in the field of women's rights and protection in an environment where violent extremism and terrorism are rampant.

The objective of this activity, which combined training with advocacy, was to build the capacities of members of the defense and security forces of the G5 Sahel countries to respect the rights and protection of women and to better take into account the contribution of women in the fight against violent extremism and terrorism.

The summary of the work will be shared with the various stakeholders, including the G5 Sahel Joint Force, the Defence and Security Forces of the G5 Sahel and Lake Chad Basin countries, as well as technical and financial partners.







Launch of the second cohort of the Master in Peacekeeping and the Executive Master in Post-Conflict State Reconstruction



We are pleased to announce the launch of the second cohort of the Alioune Blondin BEYE Peacekeeping School's Master's Degree in Peacekeeping and its Executive Master's Degree in Post-Conflict State Reconstruction in partnership with the Institut des Etudes Politiques de Grenoble (Sciences Po Grenoble, France).

EMP-ABB's Mai Training Courses



PC BAT Koulikoro

PC Battalion (PC BAT)

Dates and Location

April 26 – Mai 07 2021 EEMNK (Koulikoro, MALI)

Funding

Republic of Mali

Beneficiaries

21 FAMa trainees, including 04 women

Objective

Acquisition of the knowledge and skills required by Battalion Staff Officers engaged in a UN or African Union peace support operation.



UNPOL Burkina Faso

United Nations Police (UNPOL)

Dates and Location

April 26 – Mai 07 2021 DGPN (Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso)

Funding

Federal Republic of Germany

Beneficiaries

40 trainees from the National Police

Objective

Strengthening the knowledge of police and gendarmerie officers in the pre-deployment of United Nations police.



DIH Ségou

International Humanitarian Law (DIH)

Dates and Location

Mai 17 – 19 2021 Barracks of Ségou (Ségou, MALI)

Funding

Kingdom of the Netherlands

Beneficiaries

30 FAMa trainees, including 05 women

Objective

Strengthen the capacities of defense and security forces in International Humanitarian Law

EMP-ABB's Mai Training Courses



PoC Sévaré

Protection of Civilians (PoC)

Dates and Location Mai 17 – 19 2021 Barracks of Sévaré (Mopti, MALI)

FundingKingdom of the Netherlands

Beneficiaries25 FAMa trainees

Objective Acquisition of knowledge and skills necessary for the protection of civilians in the context of security operations in Mali



GRC Rep. Guinea

Disaster Risk Management (GRC)

Dates and Location

17 – 28 mai 2021 Conakry (Rep. Guinea)

Funding

Federal Republic of Germany

Beneficiaries

30 military trainees from the Republic of Guinea, including 02 women

Objective

Prepare officers to actively engage in the handling of a natural or man-made disaster During the month of May 2021, the Ecole de Maintien de la Paix Alioune Blondin Beye de Bamako (EMP-ABB), had the great pleasure of welcoming and exchanging with its historical partners and to initiate discussions with other actors of the peacekeeping sector.

We can mention among others, the renewal of the partnership agreement with the Federal Republic of Germany represented by H.E. Ambassador Dr. Dietrich Pohl; the visit of H.E. Ambassador of the the Kingdom of Norway, Mr. Vegar Brynildsen; the UNDP Resident Representative in Mali, Mr. Jo Scheuer; the Vice-President of the ECOWAS Commission. Mrs. Finda Koroma; Permanent Representative of **ECOWAS** in Mali, Professor Hamidou Boly, accompanied by the Director of ECOWAS Early Warning, Dr. Gueye Abdou Lat.















EMP-ABB's Visits and Partnership Meetings for the Month











The Director General of the Ecole de Maintien de la Paix Alioune Blondin Beye de Bamako (EMP-ABB), **Colonel Souleymane Sangaré**, also went to the field to participate to the closing ceremonies of the **PC BAT, DIH, PoC, GRC** training courses (see pages 06 and 07 of the newsletter) and took the opportunity to visit:

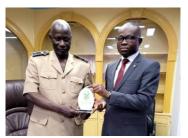
- In Mali, the Military Region Commander in Segou, the Military Region Commander in Sevaré, as well as the Commander of the Central Theater Joint Command Post (PCIAT);
- In the Republic of Guinea, H.E. the Ambassador of the Republic of Mali in Guinea; the Minister of Security, the Minister Counselor National Intelligence Coordinator, H.E. the Ambassador of Germany, the Director of Cabinet of the Minister of Defense, the Chief of Staff of the Armed Forces; the High Commander of the National Gendarmerie, and the Director General of the Police.













Mai 2021 Classes Promotions EMP-ABB





United Nations Police Course

United Nations Police Course From April 26 to May 07, 2021 in Ouagadougou

UNPOL Burkina Faso

DIH Ségou

PC BAT Koulikoro



International Humanitarian Law course From May 17 to May 19, 2021 in Segou



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PoC Sévaré

