



Words from the Director General of EMP-ABB

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One year ends and another begins. Through me, the École de Maintien de la Paix Alioune Blondin Beye (EMP-ABB) of Bamako, Center of Excellence of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) and the African Union (AU), wishes you a happy holiday season in 2021 and extends its best wishes for the year 2022.

The past two years have not been the most peaceful. Between the emergence of COVID 19 which has shaken the world while slowing down the activities of the school and the conflicts that continue to shake the continent, EMP ABB has equipped itself with the necessary tools to meet the challenge and maintain itself as an institution of reference whose quality of training is no longer to be demonstrated. This is an opportunity for me to warmly thank all our partners for their unconditional support. It is thanks to you and your commitment that the EMP-ABB has succeeded in fulfilling its missions and achieving its objectives.

The year 2022 promises to be a decisive one for the school. Indeed, during this year, our institution has set itself the goal of expanding its field of action in order to improve the quality of its training. In its perspectives for the new year, it aims to densify and diversify the types of partnerships; to multiply the "Mobile Training Team" (MTT) in order to strengthen the capacities of the greatest number; to develop new courses, in this case, community policing and security sector reform level 2; to strengthen the intervention capacities of CARESS by setting up a review and two new Masters; to renew the certification of the courses that are coming to an end, and to initiate the certification of new courses. All of this will only be possible with the support of its tireless partners and all stakeholders; for it is together that mountains can be lifted.

With these words of hope, on behalf of EMP-ABB, and on my own name, I would like to renew our best wishes for this new year. Long live cooperation in the service of peace!



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26th Regular Session of the EMP-ABB's Board of Directors

On **Thursday, December 16, 2021**, the École de Maintien de la Paix Alioune Blondin Beye of Bamako (EMP-ABB), under the leadership of its Director General, **Colonel Souleymane Sangaré**, held the 26e regular session of its Board of Directors.

26th Regular Session of the EMP-ABB's Board of Directors

As a reminder, the Board of Directors, chaired by the Minister of Defense and Veterans Affairs, is composed of 11 active members, and one associate member:

- Canada;
- ECOWAS;
- Denmark;
- · France;
- Japan;
- · The People's Democratic Republic of Algeria;
- The Federal Republic of Germany;
- The Republic of Mali (Presidency of the Board of Directors);
- · The Kingdom of the Netherlands;
- The United Kingdom;
- Switzerland;
- The Kingdom of Morocco (Associate Member).





26th Regular Session of the EMP-ABB's Board of Directors

This 26° regular session was chaired by the representative of the Minister of Defense and Veterans Affairs, in the person of his Secretary General, **Brigadier General Sidiki Samaké**, Secretary General of the Ministry.

As of today, the École de Maintien de la Paix Alioune Blondin Beye of Bamako has contributed to the training of more than **37,000 trainees**, students, journalists, social actors, associations, NGOs, police officers, gendarmes and military personnel; with the achievement of a **25% female participation rate**. The EMP-ABB has a unique expertise in the field of capacity building and support to the culture of peace, based on a strong local experience adapted to national and sub-regional realities.

This level of excellence and expertise of EMP-ABB has been possible thanks to the trust and support of its partners.





26th Regular Session of the EMP-ABB's Board of Directors



During this 26th regular session, the members of the Board of Directors, the Director General of the EMP-ABB and the Directors of the different departments of the School, proceeded to the inauguration of the medical permanence entirely financed by the Republic of Mali through its Ministry of Defense and Veterans Affairs. This permanence will allow the EMP-ABB to be able to provide emergency care and first aid.

As an indication, the EMP-ABB trains between **2,500** and **3,000 trainees** per year and welcomes an average of **100 people per day** within its walls. This shows the importance and the relevance of the creation of a proximity health structure.





Capacity
Building Project
for Women
Vectors of
Change for
Peace and
Inclusive
Development in
Mali



Following the signing of the partnership agreement with the Embassy of the Kingdom of Norway in Mali, EMP-ABB organized in collaboration with the firm ESEN, on December 9 and 10, the workshop to launch and define the intervention strategy of the Capacity Building Project for Women Vectors of Change for Peace and Inclusive Development in Mali (RECAFEVEC).

Capacity Building Project for Women Vectors of Change for Peace and Inclusive Development in Mali







The opening ceremony of the workshop was attended by:

- The Minister for the Promotion of Women, Children and the Family, Mrs. Wadidié Founè Coulibaly;
- His Excellency the Ambassador of the Kingdom of Norway to Mali, Mr. Vegar Brynildsen;
- the representative of the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Decentralization, special adviser Mr. Alhadou Coulibaly;
- the Director General of EMP-ABB, Colonel Souleymane Sangaré;
- the Director of the ESEN Cabinet, Mrs. Fatima Maïga;
- the Regional Directors of the Ministry for the Promotion of Women, Children and the Family;
- Representatives from the Ministry of Defense and Veterans Affairs; the Ministry of National Reconciliation, Peace and National Cohesion, in charge of the Peace and Reconciliation Agreement; and representatives from the Ministry of Security and Civil Protection;
- The members of the RECAFEVEC project implementation committee made up of civilian, military and police experts from EMP-ABB and the ESEN firm.





Capacity Building Project for Women Vectors of Change for Peace and Inclusive Development in Mali













The RECAFEVEC project aims to set up a pool of women and men in the regions of Koulikoro, Ségou, Kayes, Sikasso, Mopti, Gao, Timbuktu and the district of Bamako who are vectors of change in the field of peace, security and development at the decentralized level. This pool will be made up of elected women, women and men from the movements that signed the Agreement, the inclusiveness movements, civil society and the Defense and Security Forces.

Thus, the objective of this workshop was to define the project's intervention strategy; to identify the project's intervention communes in each region; to develop criteria for identifying the project's targets/beneficiaries and to develop approaches for sustainability in coordination with the Regional Directorates for the Promotion of Women, Children and the Family.



ToT FPU

Training of Trainers
Formed Police Units of the UN
(ToT FPU)

Dates and Location

November 22 - December 03, 2021 National School of Police of Bamako (Bamako, MALI)

Funding

Federal Republic of Germany via UNITAR

Beneficiaries

16 women trainees from the National School of Police

Objective

To strengthen the theoretical and practical knowledge of trainers on peacekeeping operations in general and on UPF missions in UN peace support missions.



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Election Security

Dates and Location

December 06 – 17, 2021 Bamako, Kayes, Koulikoro, Sikasso, Ségou, Mopti, Tombouctou, Gao

Funding

Federal Republic of Germany via UNITAR

Beneficiaries

40 military, police and gendarmerie trainees in each of the eight (08) regions, for a total of 320

Objective

Strengthen the theoretical and practical knowledge of the security forces as well as their operational efficiency, in the field of election security.

EMP-ABB's December Training Courses



United Nations Staff Officer Course (UNSOC)

Dates and Location

November 29 – December 17, 2021 EMP-ABB (Bamako, MALI)

Funding

Kingdom of Netherlands

Beneficiaries

Integrated training course (Civil-Military-Police) 25 trainees, including 03 women

Objective

Acquisition of individual and collective techniques and tactics to fulfill the functions of a UN Force or Sector Staff Officer.



Gender, Peace and Security (GPS)

Dates and Location

December 06 – 17, 2021 EMP-ABB (Bamako, MALI)

Funding

Kingdom of Netherlands

Beneficiaries

Integrated training course (Civil-Military-Police) 25 trainees, including 10 women

Objective

Acquisition of theoretical and practical knowledge to gain a better understanding of women's involvement in the process of prevention, negotiation and conflict management.



Fight against the Financing of Terrorism and Violent Extremism (**LFTEV**)

Dates and Location

December 06 – 17, 2021 EMP-ABB (Bamako, MALI)

Funding

ECOWAS & GIZ-EPSAO

Beneficiaries

Integrated training course (Civil-Military-Police)
25 trainees, including 02 women from
Benin, Burkina Faso, Ivory Coast, Gambia,
Ghana, Guinea Bissau, Liberia, Mali, Niger,
Nigeria, Sierra Leone

Objective

Acquisition of tools for understanding and analyzing the mechanisms of the financing of terrorism as well as those for the prevention and fight against violent extremism.

December's Partnership Activities

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Among the meetings and partnership activities carried out by the EMP-ABB during the **last month of the year**, we can mention:

12/01/2021

National Center for Volunteer Promotion in Mali - Visit of the Director and his delegation;

12/05/2021

Working session at CARESS of EMP-ABB - Timbuktu Institute, DCAF, Search for Common Ground, CARESS: Roundtable on emerging conflict-related issues to support national, regional and international decision-making;

12/09/2021

Literary Café of the Prytanée Militaire of Kati at the EMP-ABB - Participation of Father Joseph Tanden Diarra, Mr. Victorien Dakouo and the Commander of the Prytanée Militaire of Kati, Colonel Mama Sékou Lelanta with donation of books to CARESS;

12/13/2021

GIZ- Mali - Visit of **Mrs. Randa Kourieh-Ranarivelo**, Resident Director: Analysis of the axes of collaboration;















12/15/2021

- Working session of the Center for Advanced Military Studies of France (CHEM) at the EMP-ABB;
- ECOWAS Visit of the Vice-President of the ECOWAS Commission, Mrs Finda Koroma;



















December's Partnership Activities

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12/16/2021

Visit of H.E. Georges Ternes, Ambassador of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg to Mali, Senegal, Niger and Burkina Faso and Special Representative for the Sahel;

12/28/2021

- Inauguration of the new conference room Me Alioune Blondin Beye of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI) - Participation of the EMP-ABB through its Director General, Colonel Souleymane;
- Signature of a partnership agreement between EMP-ABB and the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg.















Works of Maintenance in Operational Conditions at the EMP-ABB

During the short annual vacation period, the École de Maintien de la Paix Alioune Blondin Beye of Bamako started in **mid-December 2021**, its work of maintaining the infrastructures in operational conditions.

In addition to the quality of instruction, as well as the use of adapted andragogical approaches and tools, the EMP-ABB attaches primary importance to the learning and training environment. In other words, it intends to continue to offer a pleasant and welcoming training environment, equipped with functional materials and state-of-the-art technology.























December 2021 Classes Promotions EMP-ABB





ToT FPU
November 22 – December 03, 2021

Training on the Role of Security Forces in Securing Elections December 06 – 17, 2021





December 2021 Classes Promotions EMP-ABB





UNSOC

November 29 - December 17, 2021

Gender, Peace and Security GPS

December 06 - 17, 2021





December 2021 Classes Promotions EMP-ABB





Fight against the Financing of Terrorism and Violent Extremism

December 06 – 17, 2021