



## «Demographic Dynamics, Peace, Security and Development in the Sahel»

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From **October 9 to 11, 2023**, the Alioune Blondin BEYE Peacekeeping School (EMP-ABB) of Bamako hosted a high-level international seminar on the theme “Demographic Dynamics, Peace, Security and Development in the Sahel”.

Funded by the Federal Republic of Germany, the seminar brought together the participation of eminent personalities and distinguished experts to analyze the impact of demographic dynamics on peace, security and development in the Sahel.

## Context :

According to the UN, the total population of the six (6) Sahel states has increased fivefold in sixty years (UNDESA, 2019). Besides, the same studies show that the combined populations of the six countries in the Sahel and northern Nigeria are expected to grow from 181 million to more than 370 million by 2045.

## Justification :

This strong growth requires the concerned States to build new infrastructures, increase agricultural productivity and expand the labor market not only to meet the pressing need for gainful employment among an already largely underemployed workforce, but also to maintain their collective security.





## Objectives and Targets of the Seminar

This seminar aimed to deepen the reflection on the correlation between demography, peace, security, and development in the Sahel countries in order to propose possible solutions for a successful demographic transition. This event, essential in the global dialogue on peace, was intended for government institutions, academics, CSOs, NGOs, international organizations, religious leaders and traditional legitimacies.

## Seminar Development: Exchange and Elaboration

Panels of experts, bringing together enlightened and innovative minds from the sector, engaged in discussions and debates to encourage inclusive sharing of knowledge, experience and, above all, solutions adapted to the realities on the ground.



## Seminar Development : (suite)

The inaugural lecture by Dr Sékou Amadou TRAORE, National Director of Population, set the tone by recalling the different currents mobilized to analyze the correlations between demography and development; between demography and conflicts in the Sahel; and between demography and development.

The audience was then informed in detail about the issues at stake through the following five panels :

1. Demographic pyramid, age groups and human safety ;
2. Women, demography and human security ;
3. Youth as a potential reservoir for armed and terrorist groups ;
4. How to make a success of the demographic transition in the Sahel ;
5. Governance and demographic challenges.





## GRC

Risk & Disaster Management  
(GRC)

### Date and Location

25 septembre – 06 octobre 2023  
EMP-ABB (Bamako, MALI)

### Funding

Kingdom of the Netherlands

### Beneficiaries

Integrated training course (Civilians-Military-Police Officers)  
27 trainees  
Including 04 women

### Objective

Acquisition of knowledge,  
Skills and attitudes needed to manage a natural or man-made  
disaster.



## MILOBS

United Nations Military Observers  
(MILOBS)

### Date and Location

02 – 27 octobre 2023  
EMP-ABB (Bamako, MALI)

### Funding

Federal Republic of Germany

### Beneficiaries

Military Course  
26 trainees including  
03 women

### Objective

Prepare officers for operational deployment and master the  
tasks assigned to military observers on mission in a  
multinational context.





## FHLFT

Human Factor in Counter-Terrorist Financing(FHLFT)

### Date and Location

16 – 20 octobre 2023  
EMP-ABB (Bamako, MALI)

### Funding

Algeria

### Beneficiaries

Integrated Course (Civils-Militaires-Policiers)  
26 trainees  
Including 07 women

### Objective

To enable participants to understand the psychological factors involved in terrorist operations, examine the motivation of terrorists and improve the mediation, negotiation and influencing skills of counter-terrorism officers.



## DPE

Children's Rights and Protection(DPE)

### Date and Location

02 – 13 octobre 2023  
EMP-ABB (Bamako, MALI)

### Funding

Royaume des Pays-Bas

### Beneficiaries

24 trainees  
Including 05 women

### Objective

Promotion of practices that respect the dignity of children and strengthen the capacities of trainees in the field of child protection.



## UNPOL

United Nations Police  
(UNPOL)

### Date and Location

09 – 20 octobre 2023  
EMP-ABB (Bamako, MALI)

### Funding

Japan

### Beneficiaries

Police Training course  
14 Trainees  
including 03 women

### Objective

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



## PGCC - Koulikoro

Prevention and Management of Community Conflicts  
(PGCC)

### Date and Location

02 – 13 octobre 2023  
(Koulikoro, MALI)

### Funding

Royaume de Norvège

### Beneficiaries

Integrated Course (Civilians-Military-Police)  
65 trainees  
Including 33 women

### Objective

Training elected officials and members of various organizations in the prevention and management of community conflicts. Participants acquire skills in conflict analysis and resolution techniques, covering topics such as attitudes to conflict and mediation methods.



## DIH PRUBA 1

Droit international Humanitaire  
(DIH)

### Date and Location

09 – 20 octobre 2023  
EMP-ABB (Bamako, MALI)

### Funding

Japon

### Beneficiaries

Police Course  
32 trainees  
Including 04 women

### Objective

Strengthening the capabilities of gendarmes in International Humanitarian Law so that they can carry out their mission of securing the Bamako-Senou airport zone.



## DIH PRUBA 2

Droit international Humanitaire  
(DIH)

### Date and Location

09 – 20 octobre 2023  
EMP-ABB (Bamako, MALI)

### Funding

Japon

### Beneficiaries

Police Course  
31 trainees  
including 15 women

### Objective

Strengthening the capabilities of gendarmes in International Humanitarian Law so that they can carry out their mission of securing the Bamako-Senou airport zone.



02/10/23 - **SWITZERLAND** - Working meeting with Margaux Tharin, Human Security Advisor, and Samba Cissé as part of the strengthening of partnership ;

09/10/23 – **JAPAN** - Courtesy visit by H.E. Mr. Hideki UEZONO, Ambassador of Japan to Mali;

23/10/23 – **UCAO** – Courtesy visit of the new President Mr. Dakoury Yvonnick ZONI ;

24/10/23 – **UNDP** - Visit of UNDP delegation from New York to assess opportunities for supporting the DDR process;

26/10/23 – **DENMARK** – Visit of the Chargé d'Affaires of the Embassy of Denmark to Mali;;

27/10/23 – **BURKINA-FASO** – working visit of a delegation from the Police Academy.



**18<sup>th</sup> Edition :**  
**Mali, the socio-political obstacles to decentralization (1991 - 2021):**  
**Panorama of an ambitious reform**



On Thursday October 12, 2023, the Alioune Blondin BEYE Peackeping School of Bamako (EMPABB) invited the general public to the 18th edition of its Book Club, orchestrated by its Center for Analysis and Research of the Sahelo-Saharan Space (CARESS). The event took place at 3pm GMT in the CARESS library, within the EMPABB Documentation Center.

The featured work during this session was "The Sahel, geopolitical epicenter: endogenous solutions to the security challenge" by Mr. Thierno Souleymane Diop Niang, a graduate in Law, International Relations and Diplomacy at the CEDS, as well as in Public Administration at Syracuse University. A State Department Fellow with the prestigious "Mandela Washington Fellowship" program, he is a program coordinator at LEGS AFRICA, a member of the international think tank "IDOVE" and is also a columnist on Senegalese national television RTS1.

After a detailed presentation of the book, time was set aside for questions and answers. This enabled Club participants to exchange views, comment and contribute to the debate. Interaction with the author offered a unique opportunity to deepen understanding of the themes raised in the book.

The Club de Lecture brought together a diverse range of audiences, from CARESS members and students from various academic institutions, to history and politics enthusiasts. The presence of loyal Club members, mainly researchers, doctoral students and auditors from the CARESS masters program at EMP-ABB, undoubtedly enriched the debates.

**The Alioune Blondin BEYE Peackeping School highlighted the richness of the exchanges and the discovery of a major work on a central theme for contemporary Mali.**

Les séances mensuelles du club de lecture du CARESS rassemblent des auteurs, journalistes, chercheurs, élèves, étudiants et passionnés de lecture sur les thèmes de paix, de sécurité et de développement. Elles ont pour objectif la promotion de la culture de la paix et les échanges autour des différentes idées et ouvrages y afférant.





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**Electoral Process Support - APE  
EMP-ABB**  
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# Promotions OCTOBRE 2023

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**Course Military Observer of United Nations - MILOBS**

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*02 – 27 october 2023*



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Human Factors in the Fight against Terrorism and Violent Extremism - FHLTEV

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# Promotions OCTOBRE 2023 EMP-ABB



**Stage Droits et Protection de l'Enfant DPE 2 - 23 NDL  
du 02 au 13 octobre 2023**

**Children's Rights and Protection- DPE  
EMP-ABB**

*02 – 13 octobre 2023*





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**United Nations Police - UNPOL**  
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Prevention and Management of Community Conflicts - PGCC  
**KOULIKORO**  
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**International Humanitarian Law – DIH PRUBA 1**

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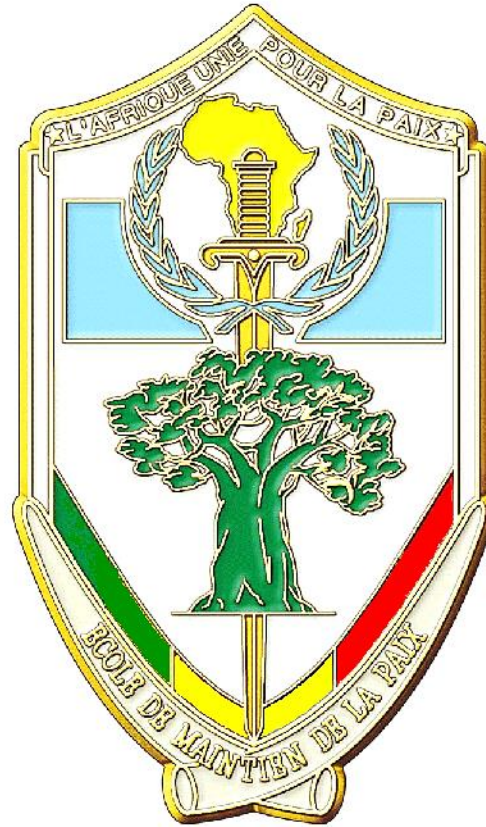


**International Humanitarian Law – DIH PRUBA 2  
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*30 novembre – 03 novembre 2023*

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