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## 30th Ordinary Session of the EMP-ABB Board of Directors

On Thursday 14 December 2023, the 30th Ordinary Session of the Board of Directors of the Alioune Blondin-Bèye Peacekeeping School in Bamako was held, **chaired by the Secretary General of the Ministry of Defense and Veterans, Major General Sidiki SAMAKE.**

The Board of Directors, chaired by Mali's Minister of Defense and Veterans, is made up of the following 12 members :

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





From its creation in 1999 to the present day, the Alioune Blondin Beye Peacekeeping School in Bamako has contributed to the training of more than 50,000 trainees, including police officers, fire-fighters, gendarmes, soldiers, students, civil servants, civil society actors and various professionals who are members of associations or organizations.

As an ECOWAS and African Union International Centre of Excellence, the Alioune Blondin Beye Peacekeeping School (EMP-ABB) in Bamako has unique expertise in the field of capacity building and support for the culture of peace, based on extensive local experience adapted to national, sub-regional and regional realities.

It also achieved a very positive annual result, with a record **4,473** staff trained in 2023, **37%** of whom were women.

EMP-ABB has been able to achieve this level of excellence and expertise thanks to the trust and support of its partners.





At this Board meeting, the members expressed their warm congratulations to the entire EMP-ABB team and renewed their ongoing support for the School in implementing its shared vision.

It was also an opportunity for the Managing Director of EMP-ABB to tell the partners about the challenges facing the school and the prospects for the short and medium term.







## « 15th EDITION OF THE NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON HUMAN RIGHTS IN MALI »

On December 10, 2023, the Alioune Blondin Beye Peacekeeping School in Bamako (EMP-ABB) of Bamako hosted the 15th edition of the national symposium on human rights in Mali. The fruit of collaboration between the CNDH and various partners, the 2024 edition brought together high-level national and international experts, government actors, human rights defenders and development partners, with a view to initiating reflection on the human rights situation in Mali. At the opening ceremony, the following personalities were present at the presidium: Mr. Aguibou BOUARE, President of the CNDH, Mrs. Sonja KUIP, Chargé d'Affaires of the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Mali, Dr. Oswald PADONOU, Head of Office of the Center for Security Sector Governance (DCAF) and Colonel Souleymane SANGARE, General Director of EMP-ABB.

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## Context:

In the space of a decade, the Sahel has become one of the most dangerous areas in the world. Insecurity in the area is a regional problem that impacts the stability and development of the Sahel countries, mainly human rights.

## Justification:

The protection and promotion of human rights remains a major challenge, particularly in the context of a crisis marked by an upsurge in violence and a deteriorating security situation. The population continues to be the victim of attacks and violence perpetrated by armed terrorist groups, exacerbating the structural problems already present in Mali.





# 15th EDITION OF THE NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON HUMAN RIGHTS IN MALI



## Symposium objective

The general objective of this activity was to take stock of the human rights situation in Mali, and to share best practices and perspectives, through a cross-view, for the respect of human rights, in a context of multidimensional crisis.



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## Symposium Development:

Methodologically, the Symposium took the form of presentations followed by question-and-answer sessions with participants. There were five (05) panels, each with a moderator and four (04) panelists. Each panel was gender-balanced, and included a state actor, a civil society actor and, in some cases, an expert from abroad.







## CONSPAIX

Peacebuilding  
(**CONSPAIX**)

### **Date and Location**

20 november – 01 décembre 2023  
EMP-ABB (Bamako, MALI)

### **Funding**

Royaume des Pays-Bas

### **Beneficiaries**

Integrated course (Civilians -Military-Police)  
25 trainees  
Including 03 women

### **Objective**

Strengthening knowledge in the area of peacebuilding as well as deployment readiness.



## RSS 2

Security Sector Reform Level 2  
(**SSR 2**)

### **Date and Location**

20 novembre – 01 décembre 2023  
EMP-ABB (Bamako, MALI)

### **Funding**

Kingdom of the Netherlands

### **Beneficiaries**

Integrated course (Civilians -Military-Police)  
  
25 trainees  
Including 04 women

### **Objective**

Study of the strategy and practices used in the field of SSR and development among participants the skills needed to undertake and engage in SSR programming.



## APE

Electoral Process Support  
(APE)

### Date and Location

20 november – 01 décembre 2023  
EMP-ABB (Bamako, MALI)

### Funding

Kingdom of the Netherlands

### Beneficiaries

Integrated Course (Civilians-Military-Police)  
25 trainees  
Including 04 women

### Objective

Acquiring the knowledge and skills needed for transparent and management and professional electoral processes.



## GPS

Genre Paix et Sécurité  
(GPS)

### Date and Location

04 – 15 décembre 2023  
EMP-ABB (Bamako, MALI)

### Funding

Royaume des Pays-Bas

### Beneficiaries

Integrated Course (Civilians-Military-Police)  
25 trainees  
Including 17 women

### Objectif

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





## TC / MRPCN

**Communication skills(TC)**

### **Date and Location**

04 – 06 décembre 2023  
EMP-ABB (Bamako, MALI)

### **Funding**

MRPCN

### **Bénéficiaires**

Integrated Course (Civilians-Military-Police)  
17 trainees  
Including 07 women

### **Objective**

Capacity-building for senior staff at the Ministry for Reconciliation, Peace and National Cohesion (MRPCN) to familiarise them with communication tools, introduce them to crisis communication and build their media training skills.



## PGC / MRPCN

**Conflict Prevention and Management(PGC)**

### **Date and Location**

04 – 15 décembre 2023  
EMP-ABB (Bamako, MALI)

### **Funding**

MRPCN

### **Bénéficiaires**

Integrated Course (Civilians-Military-Police)  
34trainees  
Including 11 women

### **Objective**

Capacity-building for managers at the Ministry of Reconciliation, Peace and National Cohesion (MRPCN) in the acquisition of skills and practical knowledge in conflict analysis and political or community mediation.



## DDR / MRPCN

Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration  
(DDR)

### Date and Location

11 – 15 décembre 2023  
EMP-ABB (Bamako, MALI)

### Funding

MRPCN

### Bénéficiaires

integrated Course (Civilians-Military-Police)  
21 trainees  
Including 04 women

### Objective

Building the capacity of managers from the Ministry of Reconciliation, Peace and National Cohesion (MRPCN) executives in understanding the nature of conflict and peacebuilding, and acquiring practical knowledge to be applied in a DDR process.



## MEDIATION / MRPCN

Techniques Modernes de la Médiation  
(TMM)

### Date and Location

27 novembre – 01 décembre 2023  
EMP-ABB (Bamako, MALI)

### Funding

MRPCN

### Bénéficiaires

integrated Course (Civilians-Military-Police)  
28 trainees  
Including 08 women

### Objective

Strengthening the skills and capacities of managers from the Ministry of Reconciliation, Peace and National Cohesion (MRPCN) in organizing, conducting and advising on mediation, as well as promoting good practice in mediation.



**07/12/23 – International Peace Institute** initial virtual meeting to discuss potential collaboration frameworks;

**13/12/23 – BURKINA-FASO** – Courtesy visit of Mrs GONDA Alida Henriette Da, President of CNDH to the General Director of EMP-ABB;

**18/12/23 – SWEDEN** – Courtesy visit of EMP-ABB delegation led by the General Director of EMP-ABB to Her Excellency Mrs. Kristina KÜHNEL, Ambassador of Sweden to Mali, to discuss areas for strengthening cooperation;

**19/12/23 – MAROCCO** – Meeting with Moroccan experts attending the workshop to validate the texts creating the EMP-ABB Scientific Review.



**20<sup>th</sup> Edition :****Mali, from rebellions to peace agreements: issues, lessons and population resilience.**

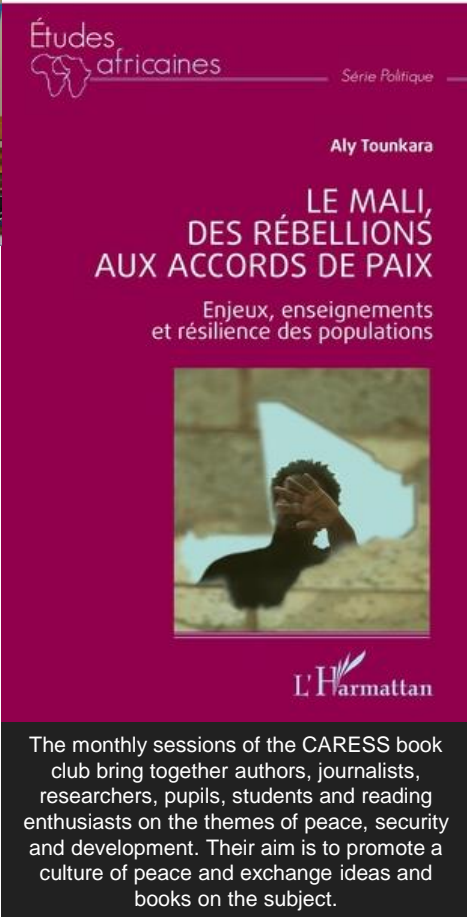
On Thursday, December 07, 2023, the Alioune Blondin BEYE School of Peacekeeping in Bamako (EMPABB) invited the general public to the 20th edition of its Book Club, orchestrated by its Center for Analysis and Research of the Sahelo-Saharan Space (CARESS). The event took place at 15:00 GMT in the reading room of the EMPABB Documentation Centre.

The work highlighted during this session was "Mali, from rebellions to peace agreements: issues, lessons and resilience of populations" by Mr. Aly TOUNKARA, lecturer-researcher at the University of Letters and Human Sciences of Bamako, Director of the Center for Security and Strategic Studies in the Sahel.

After a detailed presentation of the book, time was set aside for questions and answers. This gave Club members the opportunity to discuss, 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 Book Club 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 Peacekeeping School highlighted the richness of the exchanges and the discovery of two major works on central themes for contemporary Mali.**



The monthly sessions of the CARESS book club bring together authors, journalists, researchers, pupils, students and reading enthusiasts on the themes of peace, security and development. Their aim is to promote a culture of peace and exchange ideas and books on the subject.





# Promotions DECEMBRE 2023 EMP-ABB



**Consolidation de la Paix - CONSPAIX  
EMP-ABB**

*20 novembre – 01 décembre 2023*



# Promotions DECEMBER 2023 EMP-ABB



**Réforme du Secteur de la Sécurité niveau 2 – RSS 2  
EMP-ABB**

*20 novembre – 01 décembre 2023*





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**Appui au Processus Electoral - APE  
EMP-ABB**

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**Genre Paix et Sécurité - GPS  
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**Techniques de Communication - TC  
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**Prévention et Gestion des Conflits - PGC  
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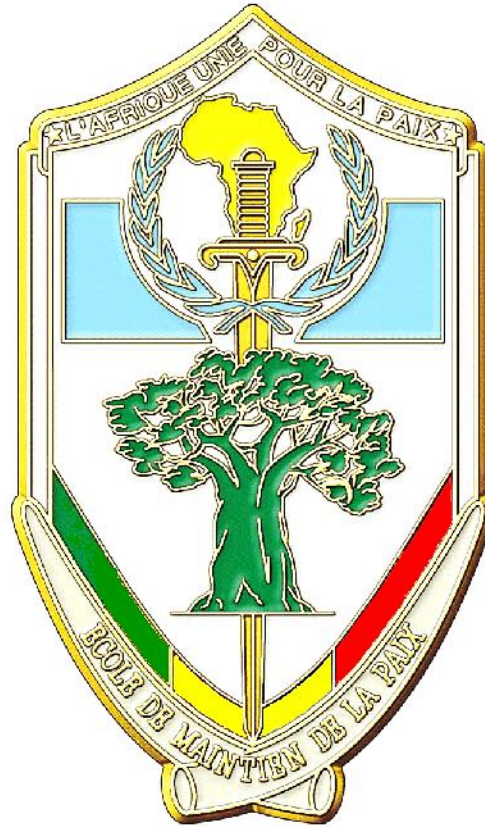
**Désarmement Démobilisation et Réinsertion - DDR  
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