



« Sub-regional workshop on DDR at EMP-ABB »

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From Monday 15 to Thursday 18 April, the Ecole de Maintien de la Paix Alioune Blondin Bèye de Bamako (EMP-ABB) held a sub-regional workshop on "the cross-border challenges of DDR in the context of violent extremism, aggravated by the growing impact of climate change".

The opening ceremony was chaired by the First Secretary of the Embassy of the Kingdom of Sweden in Mali, Mr Olivier KEOUSSO, who was joined by the Chairman of the National DDR Commission, Colonel-Major Faguimba Ibrahim KANSAYE, and the Director General of EMP-ABB, Colonel Souleymane SANGARE.

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Over the past decade or so, conflicts have become more complex, longer-lasting and more fragmented, transcending borders, with non-state armed groups becoming increasingly mobile between countries.

In response to these changing conflict dynamics, the UN has completely revised the Integrated Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration Standards (IDDRS), formulating innovative and integrated approaches applicable before, during or after violent conflicts.

To adapt these challenges to regional DDR strategies, the Folke Bernadotte Academy (FBA), in close collaboration with the United Nations Department of Peace Operations (UN-DPO), supported and accompanied EMP-ABB in holding this four-day workshop.

For four days, eminent experts from the Federal Republic of Germany, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Mali, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Sweden and New York met to discuss the issue of DDR in the Sahel.



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The workshop adopted an interactive approach, combining presentations, exchanges of experience and best practice, and group exercises on specific topics such :

- Kinetic and non-kinetic regional approaches ;
- New UN approach to DDR: challenges and opportunities ;
- Weapons and ammunition management : Small arms and light weapons;
- Gender perspective on the impact of armed conflict : guidelines and lessons from the field SALW Control ;
- Cross-border movements and organized crime;
- Climate change and security;
- Rehabilitation: challenges and opportunities ;
- Reintegration: challenges and opportunities;
- DDR & Youth.



« Donation of interpretation materials to EMP-ABB »

On Tuesday 30 April 2024, a ceremony was held in the VIP room of the EMP-ABB to hand over a complete interpretation system worth 140,000 euros to improve exchanges during training sessions, seminars, workshops and other large-scale activities. This donation from GIZ-EPSSAO is the 2nd stage of a more global project conducted in partnership with ECOWAS and consisting of strengthening the operational capacities of the sub-regional units.

The event was attended by Mrs Maya de CAMILLIS, representing His Excellency the Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany in Mali, Mr Mario Gomes FERNADES, ECOWAS Resident Representative in Mali, Mr Christian WIDMANN, Resident Director of the GIZ-EPSSAO Office in Mali, and Colonel Souleymane SANGARE, Director General of EMP-ABB.



« Professional immersion visit by CARESS auditors »

As part of their professional immersion visits, students from the Master in Peacekeeping and the Executive Master in Post-Conflict State Reconstruction visited the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) on Tuesday 23 April.

The host of the day used the occasion to explain to the audience his main missions, namely the funding and coordination of humanitarian actions, raising awareness of humanitarian risks in Mali and the role of humanitarians in peacekeeping and peacebuilding missions.





MPC 2-24

Political and Community Mediation
(MPC)

Date and Location

15- 26 April 2024
EMP-ABB (Bamako, MALI)

Funding

Suisse

Beneficiaries

Integrated Course (Civilians-Military-Police)
25 trainees
including 09 women

Objective

Strengthen the knowledge, know-how and interpersonal skills of those involved in political or community mediation processes at regional level.



CONFOND 7-24

Fundamental Knowledge of Peace
Operations
(CONFOND)

Date and Location

15- 26 April 2024
EMP-ABB (Bamako, MALI)

Funding

RFA

Beneficiaries

Integrated Course (Civilians-Military-Police)
24 trainees
including 13 women

Objective

Fundamental knowledge of United Nations
peacekeeping operations (PKOs).



MAC/COE 1-24

Contingent-owned equipment
(MAC/COE)

Date and Location

22- 26 April 2024
EMP-ABB (Bamako, MALI)

Funding

RFA

Beneficiaries

Integrated Course (Civilians-Military-Police)
21 trainees
including 01 woman

Objective

To enable participants to define the MAC
system and its principles, to navigate the
MAC/COE manual and to describe the
agreement mechanisms between the
Contingent Provider Country and the UN.



UNPOL 3-24

United Nations Police
(UNPOL)

Date and Location
5– 26 April 2024
ENP (Bamako, Mali)

Funding
Mali

Beneficiaries
50 trainees (Policemen)
including 14 women

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



DIH 2-24

International Humanitarian Law
(DIH)

Date and Location
15-19 April 2024
EMA (Kati, MALI)

Funding
Mali

Beneficiaries
Military course
64 trainees
including 23 women

Objective
Capacity building for trainees at the Ecole
Militaire d'Administration in International
Humanitarian Law.



PC-BAT 2-24

Battalion Command Post
(PC-BAT)

Date and Location
15-26 April 2024
EEMMK (Koulikoro, MALI)

Funding
Mali

Beneficiaries
Military course
25 trainees
including 01 woman

Objective
Acquire the knowledge and know-how essential
for battalion staff officers involved in a UN or
African Union peace support operation.

16/04/24 – Search For Common Ground – Working session with a delegation led by Mr. Tahirou DOUNDA, Country Director, as part of the strengthening of the partnership between the two institutions ;

19/04/24 – Folke Bernadotte Academy (FBA) – Courtesy visit by Mr Olivier KEOUSSO, First Secretary of the Swedish Embassy and Mrs Lena KJELLBERG, member of the FBA ;

23/04/24 – Federal Republic of Germany – Courtesy visit by Mrs Carola BRUHN, Country Editor for Mali at the Federal Foreign Office in Berlin, accompanied by Mr Nils TIPPEL, First Secretary of the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany in Mali.



23rd Edition :

« *The dark side of the moon* » and « *Immigration of Malian graduates from France* »



Fodié TANDJIGORA

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FUITE DES CERVEAUX OU QUÊTE
DE PROMOTION SOCIALE ?

Préface de Mahamet Timera

Études
Eurafricaines

L'Harmattan

Taki KANTE

La face cachée
de la lune

La Sahélienne

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On Thursday 18 April 2024, the Alioune Blondin-BEYE Peacekeeping School, through its Centre d'Analyse et de Recherche de l'Espace Sahélo-Saharien (CARESS), held the 23rd edition of its reading club in the CARESS documentation room.

For this edition, two works were highlighted. The first was "**The dark side of the moon**" by young writer Miss Taki KANTE, who holds a master's degree in auditing and management control and has extensive experience in international organisations. In her poetic work, the author takes us on a journey through a range of themes, including love, freedom, beliefs and migration.

The second book presented at this edition was "**L'immigration des diplômés maliens de France**" by Dr Fodie TANDJIGORA, professor of sociology at the Université des Lettres et Sciences Humaines in Bamako. In his book, he talks about immigration as a cross-cutting practice affecting both young unemployed graduates and managers.

After a detailed presentation of the books by the authors, the question-and-answer session enabled participants to contribute to the discussions and gain an in-depth understanding of the works.

The Reading Club brought together members of CARESS and members of the Club made up of researchers, doctoral students and auditors from CARESS masters programmes. Students from the Prytanée Militaire, trainees from the Ecole Militaire d'Administration and students from some of the School's partner universities also attended. The contributions of these participants from various backgrounds enriched the debates. Translated with www.DeepL.com/Translator (free version).

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Du 15 au 26 avril 2024

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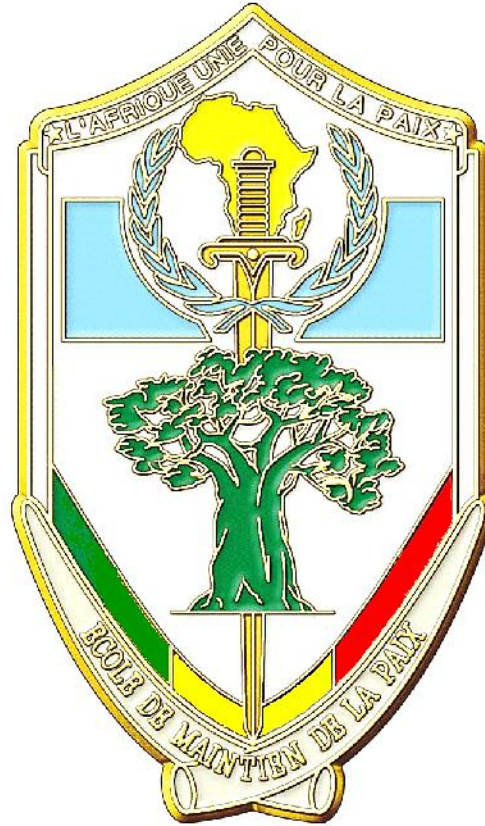
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