

REGIONAL WORKSHOP
LINKAGES BETWEEN TERRORISM AND ORGANIZED CRIME
IN WEST AND CENTRAL AFRICA

Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire
20-21 November 2023

AGENDA

20 November, Monday

8:45 – 9:00 Registration

9:00 – 10:00 **Opening**

Welcoming statements.

Presentation of the programme.

Introduction of participants (tour de table).

Session 1. Linkages between organized crime and terrorism

10:00 – 11:00 **A. Theoretical frameworks and typologies:** general overview

Presentations by academics and researchers on the typologies of linkages and analytical frameworks that guide research, teaching and policymaking on the issue.

- *Ms. Tamara Makarenko, MBA (Strat.), PhD, Faltress Limited (online)*
- *Mr. John Jupp, Senior Lecturer in Law, Sussex Law School, University of Sussex. Director: Sussex Terrorism and Extremism Research Network (STERN) (online)*

Q & A

11:00 – 11:20 **Coffee Break**

11:20 – 12:20 **A. Theoretical frameworks and typologies:** West and Central Africa

- *Mr. Abdelkader Abderrahmane, Senior Researcher, ENACT, West Africa for Security Studies, Dakar, Senegal (online)*

- *Mr. William Assanvo, Senior Researcher, Institute for Security Studies, Regional Office for West Africa, the Sahel and the Lake Chad Basin*

Q & A

12:20 – 13:00

B. Responses to linkages between organized crime and terrorism: challenges and opportunities

Organized crime and terrorism: international legal frameworks.

- *Mr. Dmitry Orlov, Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Officer, Organized Crime Branch, UNODC*
- *Mr. Ludovic D’Hoore, Regional Coordinator Terrorism Prevention, Terrorism Prevention Branch, Regional Office for West and Central Africa, UNODC*

Q & A

13:00 – 14:00

Lunch

14:00 – 15:00

B. Responses to linkages between organized crime and terrorism: challenges and opportunities (continued)

Presentations by criminal justice practitioners from West and Central Africa, with reference to actual cases.

- *Ms. Antoinette Kanzie, General Counsel at the Ouagadougou Court of Appeal, Focal Point of the Sahel Judicial Cooperation Platform*
- *Mr. Meliani Kristiou, Regional Liaison Officer, AFRIPOL Secretariat*

Q & A

Session 2. Partnerships and multidisciplinary approaches for more effective responses to addressing the linkages between organized crime and terrorism.

15:00 – 15:40

Presentations of the projects, initiatives and good practices showcasing successful partnerships between the criminal justice authorities and academic/research institutions from West and Central Africa and abroad.

PROTON Project: description, achievements, and lessons learned.

- *Mr. Ernesto Savona, Director of Transcrime*

TAKEDOWN Project: description, achievements, and lessons learned.

- *Mr. Sergio Bianchi, Director of International Research, AGENFOR*

Q & A

15:40 – 16:00

Coffee Break

Session 2. Partnerships and multidisciplinary approaches for more effective responses to addressing the linkages between organized crime and terrorism (continued).

16:00 – 16:30 **Master's degree in Organised Crime, Terrorism and International Penal Cooperation (MACOTEC) from the Alioune Blondel Beye Peacekeeping School in partnership with the University of Legal and Political Sciences in Bamako (Mali).**

- *Mr. Théophile Ngapa, External collaborator of the Institute of Criminal Sciences (ISCrIm), University of Poitiers (France); Member of the Research Unit in Law, Institutions and Community Integration (URDIIC, ex-GERDIIC), University of Dschang*

Q & A

16:30 – 17:30 **Session 3. Practical Exercise**

Discussions in 2 breakout groups with presentation of the outcomes.

Group 1 will discuss:

- 1) How can academia contribute to addressing linkages between OC and terrorism?
- 2) How can the partnership between academia and law/policy makers and criminal justice practitioners be strengthened with a view to better address linkages between OC and terrorism?

Group 2 will discuss:

- 1) Why are criminal justice practitioners reluctant to cooperate with academia in addressing linkages between OC and terrorism?
- 2) How can the partnership between law/policy makers, criminal justice practitioners and academia be strengthened with a view to better address linkages between OC and terrorism?

21 November, Tuesday

Session 4. UNODC Teaching Module Series: Organized Crime and Counter-Terrorism.

9:00 – 10:40 Overview presentations by UNODC and the contributors.

- *Mr. Eddy Laurence Nguiffeu Tajouo, UNODC Consultant*
- *Ms. Irene Maithya, Lecturer in Law, Moi University - School of Law, Kenya*

Q & A

10:40 – 11:00 **Coffee Break**

Session 5. Mock class (Law and Criminal Justice)

11:00 – 12:30 The two applicants with a background in Law and Criminal Justice will deliver a mock class based on the UNODC Module on the Linkages between Organized Crime and Terrorism. The class will be followed by a short debrief in which the lecturers will discuss how they prepared for the class and adapted the Module.

- *Ms. Jocelyne Djeuya Tchupou, Lecturer, University of Dschang, Cameroon*

- *Mr. Djoufoulsou Moumassou, Deputy Director in charge of specialised training, National Judicial Training School, Chad*

Q & A

12:30 – 13:30 **Lunch**

Session 6. Mock class (Social and Political Sciences, Security Studies, other)

13:30 – 15:00 The two applicants with a background in Social Sciences will deliver a mock class based on the UNODC Module on the Linkages between Organized Crime and Terrorism. The class will be followed by a short debrief in which the lecturers will discuss how they prepared for the class and adapted the Module.

- *Ms. Juliette Nathalie Bakyono, Lecturer, Thomas Sankara University, Burkina Faso*
- *Mr. Zozo Dedou, Lecturer and Researcher, University Félix Houphouet-Boigny, Côte d'Ivoire*

Q & A

15:00 – 15:40 **Closure**
Evaluation.
Way forward.

15:40 – 16:00 **Post-session refreshments**
