

Annual Youth Forum for Peace and Security in West Africa and the Sahel

10-12 December 2018, Ouagadougou

Programme

Provisional program

- 1 Opening of the Annual Youth Forum for Peace and Security in West Africa and the Sahel

2. Youth, Peace and Security : Baseline situation in West Africa and the Sahel to address the main challenges and issues
 - 2.1 Key Issues and Challenges on peace and security in West Africa and the Sahel, and youth involvement
 - 2.2 International, subregional and national frameworks for young people
 - 2.3 Young women and men in peace and security processes in West Africa and the Sahel: countries and benchmarking cases
 - 2.4 Cross-cutting review of initiatives and responses in progress

3. Amendment and validation of the main conclusions and recommendations of the study

4. Youth, Peace and Security: A perceived local, national and regional initiatives

5. **Ouagadougou Declaration:** National and regional commitment for support of youth leaders and their organizations in conflict prevention and the promotion of peace and security in West Africa and the Sahel

6. Partners' commitment

7. Closing of the Annual Forum for Peace and Security in West Africa and the Sahel

Annotations to provisional provisional agenda and timetable

Day 1 - Monday 10 December 201 8: Mobilization of youth associations and networks in West Africa and the Sahel		
Hour	activities	Speaker (s)
8:30 - 9:00	Arrival and registration of participants	Committee organizer
9:00 - 10:30	Opening session	
➤ 9:00 - 10:00	<p>Opening ceremony</p> <p>Inaugural address by the Government of Burkina Faso</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hymn of ECOWAS and Burkina Faso • Welcome remarks from the Mayor of Ouagadougou • Speech of the Dean of the Diplomatic Corps accredited in Burkina Faso • Address by the President of the ECOWAS Commission or his Representative • Animation • Speech by the Special Representative of the UN Secretary General and Head of UNOWAS, Mr. Mohamed Ibn Chambas • Animation • Opening remarks by the representative of the Government of Burkina Faso
➤ 10: 00 - 10: 30	Group photo, refresh and end of the opening ceremony	Organizing committee
➤ 11:00 - 13:00	Item 2: Youth, Peace and Security: Baseline situation in West Africa and the Sahel to address the main challenges and issues	
	<p>Item 2.1 - Key Issues and Challenges for Peace and Security in West Africa and the Sahel, and Youth Engagement</p> <p>This workshop aims to provide an overview of the role and involvement of young people in the various current conflicts in the sub-region. It will also provide an inventory of actors and group involved in different conflicts and different geographical areas.</p>	<p>Panelists _ : Mr. Komlan Messie , FOSCAO (Boko Haram Zone); Mr. Aliou Oumarou, CNJ-Niger (Sahel); Mr. Amewo Mawufemo Koffi, CNJ-Togo (Gulf of Guinea); Mr. Lamin Darboe , CNJ-Gambia (Senegambia) and Mr. Alusine Mohamed Conteh, CNJ-Sierra Leone (MRU)</p> <p>Moderation: Mrs. Marielle Mahule Degboe, Regional President of ROAJELF</p>
➤ 13:00 - 14:00	Lunch	
➤ 14:00 - 15:00	<p>Item 2.2 International, sub regional and national frameworks for young people</p> <p>This workshop aims to summarize the main instruments for young people for peace and security.</p>	<p>panelists _ : United Nations Headquarters, Ms. Agathe Telou (UNOWAS) , Mr. Francis Chuks NJOAGUANI (ECOWAS) , M. Aliou Oumarou (UPJ; AU frameworks)</p> <p>Moderation: Mr. Alioune GUEYE, Secretary General ROJALNU-ODD / Africa</p>

➤ 15:00 - 16:45	<p>Item 2.3 Young women and men in peace and security processes in West Africa and the Sahel: country case and comparative analysis</p> <p>The results, conclusions and recommendations of the study initiated by UNOWAS will be shared, discussed, amended and validated during this workshop.</p>	<p>Panelists Me Aliou Sow, UNOWAS Consultant (20mn) and Country Representatives (3mn per country)</p> <p>Moderation: UNCT- BF</p>
➤ 16:45 - 17:00	Coffee break	Organizing committee
➤ 17:00 - 18:00	<p>Point 2.4. Cross-cutting review of ongoing initiatives</p> <p>This plenary session will present various initiatives both governmental and other actors for a better involvement of young people in all political processes and development.</p>	<p>Panelists Mr. Kennedy Barsisa, ECOWAS, the United Nations, Mr. Youssouf Ouattara, Country Director P4P, other actors</p> <p>Moderation : Mr Agbozoh-Guidih Dodzi Alexandre, International Network of Young Francophone Leaders (RIJLF)</p>
Day 2 Tuesday 11 December 201 8: Definition of the role of young people in peace and development process in West Africa and the Sahel		
➤ 8:30 - 10:30	<p>Item 3: Amendment and validation of the main conclusions and recommendations of the study</p> <p>Group work followed by a plenary session will discuss, amend and then validate the various parts of the report of the study initiated by UNOWAS.</p>	<p>Moderation: Ms. Anna Mar, Coordinator EVP (ECOWAS)</p>
➤ 10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break	Organizing committee
➤ 11:00 - 13:00	<p>Item 4. Youth, Peace and Security: Overview of Local, National and Regional Initiatives</p> <p>It will be presented here and discussed in a plenary session, the various initiatives to be implemented from 2019 by various actors (ECOWAS, United Nations, P4P, etc.) to establish synergies to develop for a better impact.</p>	<p>Moderation: Ms. Telou Kemealo, UNOWAS</p>
➤ 13:00 - 14:00	Lunch	
➤ 14:00 - 17:00	<p>Item 5. Ouagadougou Declaration: Initiatives for National and Regional Youth Engagement, Young Leaders Organizations in Conflict Prevention and the Promotion of Peace and Security in West Africa and the Sahel</p> <p>This session will provide a key contribution to the content of the Ouagadougou Declaration developed</p>	<p>Moderation: Experts from the AU, EU and UN</p>

	by a group and validated during a plenary session. Other groups will develop other acts of the annual Youth Forum to be validated.	
➤ 17:00 - 17:30	Coffee break and end of Day 2	Organizing committee
Day 3 - Wednesday 12 December 2018 : Commitments for a better involvement of young people in peace and security processes in West Africa and the Sahel		
➤ 8:30 – 10:30	<p>Item 6. Engagement of partners</p> <p>This session is a mobilization of technical and financial partners for a better and consequent support to the initiatives of the young people of West Africa and the Sahel. It will essentially be furnished by the presentation and discussion of the current situation, different initiatives and the joint United Nations - ECOWAS initiative to be implemented from 2019.</p>	<p>speakers _ : Ms. Telou Kemealo, UNOWAS, ECOWAS, P4P, other actors carrying initiatives for the benefit of young people</p> <p>Moderation: ECOWAS</p>
➤ 10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break	Organizing committee
➤ 11:00 – 12:00	<p>Engagement of partners (continued)</p> <p>Technical and financial partners will take the floor to comment on / express their willingness to support youth initiatives.</p>	<p>speakers _ : Bilateral and Multilateral Partners in Burkina Faso</p> <p>Moderation: ECOWAS</p>
➤ 12:00 – 13:00	Closing session	
	Item 7: Closing of the Annual Forum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hymn of ECOWAS and Burkina Faso • Presentation of the Forum Report • Summary of the joint regional initiatives to be implemented from 2019 • Word of the participants • Animation • Ouagadougou Declaration • Remarks by the President of the ECOWAS Commission or his Representative • Remarks by the Special Representative of the UN Secretary General and UNOWAS Chief or his Representative • Animation • Closing Remarks by the President of the Republic of Burkina Faso, or his Representative
➤ 13:00- 14:00	Lunch and end of the annual forum	Organizing committee