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### PRIZE FOR EXCELLENCE IN SSR

On April 16, Partners West Africa - Senegal in association with DCAF held a [symposium](#) on "Integrity, Ethics and Good Governance for Peace and Security" in Dakar. The colloquium paid tribute to General Lamine Cissé who has influenced political and military leaders in Africa, and has been a source of inspiration for practitioners and researchers involved in security sector governance, conflict management and resolution, and the protection of populations over the past decades.

The symposium was a success with more than 1,000 people attending on site - and online - and highlighted the idea that General Lamine Cissé's legacy will live on in the service of the values of respect and integrity that he always emphasized during his career.

During the symposium, a **prize for excellence for young African researchers was awarded to Nigerian Fola Aina**. This award pays tribute to General Lamine Cissé's commitment to good governance and integrity in security and justice sector reforms and to his essential involvement in DCAF. [More info](#)



### BURKINA FASO



**[Legal framework] Launch of collation and digitisation process**  
DCAF is working in tandem with the authorities of Burkina Faso to develop and disseminate security sector legislation. On 1 May, an initiative to digitise the legal texts governing Burkina Faso's security sector was launched... [Read more](#)



**[Legal framework] Finishing touches to the National Security Strategy**  
During a three-day working session from 19 to 21 May, DCAF assisted the task force responsible for implementing the national security framework. The draft National Security Policy (NSP) and National Security Strategy... [Read more](#)

### MALI



**[Police] Official submission of the police-public relations guide**  
On 18 May, the introductory guide to community policing and the initial training programme assessment were officially submitted to the director of the National Police School (ENP) by DCAF's Head of Office in Mali. The... [Read more](#)



**[Research] Study on needs, services and priorities**  
On 11 May, having been commissioned by DCAF, the research team of the advanced training program on humanitarian action (ATHA) of the Harvard Humanitarian Initiative reported back on the second and final phase of the... [Read more](#)



**[SSR & Gender] Launch of the Gender, Justice and Security Toolbox**  
DCAF's Gender officer for the Sahel is coordinating a study to assess and document the way that justice and security sector institutions respond to gender-based violence (GBV) in Burkina Faso, Mali and Niger... [Read more](#)



### N'Tabacoro dialogue

Last November, DCAF supported the West African Network for Peacebuilding (WANEP) as it organised talks between Defence and Security Forces (DSF) and local communities from the town of N'Tabacoro. As a result of... [\[Read more\]](#)

## NIGER



### [SSR & Gender] ENP-FP Sexual harassment training

DCAF is continuing to support the National Police and Permanent Training School (ENP-FP) in its bid to tackle sexual harassment. The purpose of DCAF's involvement is to assist the ENP-FP to effectively and efficiently deploy... [\[Read more\]](#)



### [Internal oversight] Developing data collection tools

DCAF has helped to produce and validate a module which seeks to introduce internal oversight procedures in units operating under the authority of the Public Security Department (DSP). The Inspectorate General... [\[Read more\]](#)



### [Training] Educational support for ENP-FP instructors

From 27 April to 23 May, DCAF provided educational support to 15 police chief instructors of the National Police and Permanent Training School (ENP-FP). The aim of this initiative was to identify any difficulties faced in the... [\[Read more\]](#)

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