



IPU-UN Regional Conference

“Parliamentary engagement in addressing terrorism and conditions conducive to terrorism in the Sahel region”

Niamey, Niger, 12-14 June 2019

Organized jointly by the National Assembly of Niger, the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU), the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT) and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), in the framework of the trilateral agreement between IPU, UNODC and UNOCT and the IPU High-Level Advisory Group on Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism

ARRIVAL: Tuesday 11 June	
Arrival of the participants in Niamey	
DAY I: Wednesday 12 June	
9:00 – 10:00	Registration at the National Assembly of Niger
10:00- 11:30	<p>Opening Session</p> <p>Chair: Mr. Ousseini Tinni, President of the National Assembly of Niger</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Mauro Miedico, Director at the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism (on behalf of UNOCT and UNODC) • Ambassador Carmen Elena Castillo, Programme Manager Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism, Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) • Mr. Pierre Buyoya, High Representative of the African Union for Mali and the Sahel • Ms. Fatima Doubou Dogo, Vice President, Comité Interparlementaire Inter-Parliamentary Committee of the West African Economic and Monetary Union • Ms. Rokhaya Diao, African Parliamentary Union • Mr. Larry Gbevlo-Lartey, African Union Special Representative for Counter-Terrorism Cooperation, and Director, African Centre for the Study and Research on Terrorism
11:30 - 12:00	Group photo and coffee break
12:00 – 13:30	<p>Session I: Presentation of existing regional strategies and mechanisms offered by various regional organizations</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Iro Sani, First Vice President, National Assembly of Niger</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Kamsouloum Abbi Kabir, Member of Parliament, National Assembly, Cameroon • Mr. Malik Ahmed, Political Advisor to the Executive Secretary, Lake Chad Basin Commission • Ms. Mounia Ben Hammou, Head of the Counter-Terrorism Unit, UNODC Regional Office for West and Central Africa • Mr. Abdou Hamani, Senior Expert, Counter-Terrorism Unit, UNODC Regional Office for West and Central Africa

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Yamina Mokrani, Programme Management Officer, UNOCT
13:30 – 14:30	Lunch
14:30 - 16:30	<p>Session II: Overview of recent developments in the international counter-terrorism obligations and existing gaps in counter-terrorism legislation in the region</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Mauro Miedico, Director, United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism</p> <p>Speaker:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Gennaro Migliore, Member of the Chamber of Deputies, Italy • Ms. Cecilia Naddeo, Legal Officer, United Nations Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate • Ms. Mounia Ben Hammou, Head of the Counter-Terrorism Unit, UNODC Regional Office for West and Central Africa • Mr. Abdou Hamani, Senior Expert, Counter-Terrorism Unit, UNODC Regional Office for West and Central Africa
16:30 - 17:00	Coffee break
17:00 - 19:00	<p>Session III: Presentation of the IPU-UNODC-UNOCT Joint Programme</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Carmen Elena Castillo, Programme Manager Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism, IPU</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Mokhtar Omar, Senior Advisor to the IPU Secretary General • Mr. Mauro Miedico, Director at UNOCT • Ms. Olga Lanchenko, Programme Officer, UNODC Terrorism Prevention Branch • Mr. Mahmoud Fawzy, Senior Advisor to the Speaker of the Parliament of Egypt
20:00 – 22:00	Dinner
DAY II: Thursday 13 June	
09:30 – 11:00	<p>Session IV: Terrorism threat in the Sahel region</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Yamina Mokrani, Programme Management Officer, UNOCT</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Larry Gbevlo-Lartey, African Union Special Representative for Counter-Terrorism Cooperation, and Director, African Centre for the Study and Research on Terrorism • Mr. Jerome Evrard, 1267 Monitoring Team (via VTC) • Mr. Abdou Chefou, Senior Expert, Counter-Terrorism Unit, UNODC Regional Office for West and Central Africa
11:00 - 11:15	Coffee break
11:15 – 13:15	<p>Session V: Support to victims of terrorism</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Carmen Elena Castillo, Programme Manager Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism, IPU</p>

	<p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Bajan Ag Hamatou, Member Parliament, Mali • Ms. Falmata Bunu, International Alert • Mr. Imrana Buba, Youth Coalition Against Terrorism • Ms. Mounia Ben Hammou, Head of the Counter-Terrorism Unit, UNODC Regional Office for West and Central Africa
13:15 - 15:00	Lunch
15:00 - 17:00	<p>Session VI: Gender and youth dimensions of counter-terrorism responses</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Marie Rose Nguini Effa, Member of Parliament, Cameroon</p> <p>Speaker:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Cecilia Naddeo, Legal Officer, United Nations Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate • Dr. Bakary Sambe, Executive Director, Timbuktu Institute • Mr. Abdou Hamani, Senior Expert, Counter-Terrorism Unit, UNODC Regional Office for West and Central Africa
17:00 – 17:15	Coffee break
17:15 - 19:00	<p>Session VII: Border security and management, and detection of terrorist movements, including through the implementation of the API/NPR system</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Mauro Miedico, Director, United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Reinhold Lopatka, Member of the National Council, Austria • Ms. Ruth Muithuiya Kiragu, Programme Management Officer, UNOCT • Mr. Rocco Messina, Programme Manager, UNOCT
20:00– 22:00	Dinner
DAY III: Friday 14 June	
09:00 - 11:00	<p>Session VIII: Terrorist radicalization and recruitment</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Mokhtar Omar, Senior Adviser to the IPU Secretary General</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Osama Elazhary, Theology Professor and Member of the House of Representatives of Egypt • Mr. Abdou Chefou, Senior Expert, Counter-Terrorism Unit, UNODC Regional Office for West and Central Africa
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee break
11:30 – 13:30	<p>Session IX: Building resilient communities</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Mokhtar Omar, Senior Adviser to the IPU Secretary General</p>

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- Ms. Jacqueline Oduol, Member of Parliament, Kenya
- Member of Parliament, Niger
- Dr. Bakary Sambe, Executive Director, Timbuktu Institute

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15:00 – 16:00 **Presentation of the conclusions and recommendations**

Closing remarks by Mr. Iro Sani, First Vice President, National Assembly, Niger

DEPARTURE: Saturday 15 June

Departure of the participants