

Africa Center Overview

Mandate

Regional Center Enterprise



The Africa Center is a U. S. Department of Defense institution established and funded by Congress for the study of security issues relating to Africa and serving as a forum for bilateral and multilateral research, communication, exchange of ideas and training involving military and civilian participants. (10 USC 342)



Mission

To advance African security by expanding understanding, providing a trusted platform for dialogue, building enduring partnerships, and catalyzing strategic solutions.

Academic Programs



Outreach



Strategic Communications







Vision

Security for all Africans championed by effective institutions accountable to their citizens

- Strengthening Leadership, Strategy and Institutions in Africa's Security Sectors
 - National Security Strategy Development
 - Security Sector Governance
 - Emerging Leaders in Africa's Security Sector
- Addressing Drivers of Conflict and Insecurity
 - Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism
 - Countering Terrorism
 - Countering Transnational Organized Crime
- Advancing Collective Security and Crisis Response
 - ❖ African Peace and Security Architecture
 - Peace Support Operations in Dynamic Contexts
 - Maritime Safety, Security and Regional Cooperation
- Cross-cutting Themes
 - Women, Peace, and Security
 - Legitimacy, Accountability, and Transparency
 - Security-Development-Governance Nexus





FY 18-19 Program Plan

Strengthening Leadership, Strategy and Institutions

- Emerging African Security Sector Leaders Seminar
- ❖ African Executive Dialogue
- ❖ National Security Strategy Development (NSSD) and Implementation
- Security Sector Transformation and Reform (SST/SSR) in Challenging Contexts
- ❖ Security Governance Initiative (SGI)
 Partners Seminar
- ACSS Community Chapters Leaders Forum
- ACSS Community Chapter Bilateral and Sub-regional Events
- Washington Seminar on U.S.-Africa Security Engagement
- ❖ African Ambassadors Forum
- African Military Education Program (AMEP)

Addressing Drivers of Conflict and Insecurity

- Countering Violent Extremism (CVE): Lessons Learned for Security Sector Practitioners
- ❖ National Countering Terrorism (CT) Strategies in Africa
- Transnational Organized Crime (TOC), Security and Governance Nexus in Africa
- Effective Counter-Insurgency (COIN)
 Strategies in Africa

Advancing Collective Security and Crisis Response

- Regional Responses to Maritime Insecurity
- Maritime Safety and Security: Gulf of Guinea Zone D Coordination Workshop
- Peace Support Operations in Dynamic Contexts
- Continental and Regional Conflict Prevention

Cross-cutting Themes

- ❖ Women, Peace, and Security
- Legitimacy, Accountability and Transparency
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AFRICOM and Interagency Support

- Africa's Contemporary Security Challenges Seminar
- ❖ USAFRICOM-ACSS Symposium
- Advanced Area Studies Workshops
- **❖** AFRICOM Component Exercises
- ❖ Africa Strategic Dialogue



Alumni Network

❖ ACSS has alumni from all 54 African nations, 34 Alumni Chapters in 33 countries



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