AFRICA CENTER FOR STRATEGIC STUDIES

EMERGING SECURITY SECTOR LEADERS IN AFRICA
LEADERSHIP IN THE TIME OF UNCERTAINTY
VIRTUAL ACADEMIC PROGRAM

INFORMATION NOTE

WHAT: The Africa Center for Strategic Studies (ACSS) will conduct a four-week virtual academic program on leadership in times of uncertainty, unexpected security threats, and exogenous challenges, such as pandemics. This professional development program, which will be conducted in English, French, and Portuguese, will examine:

(1) Adaptive Leadership: Why It Matters in Time of Uncertainty;
(2) Anticipating Unexpected Security Threats and Crises;
(3) Responding to Unexpected Security Threats and Crises; and
(4) Leveraging Partnerships in Responding to Unexpected Security Threats.

Individuals who complete the course will receive a certificate recognizing their accomplishment.

WHERE: Online, via Zoom for Government

WHEN: Session 1: June 8-9   - 1200-1345 GMT
Session 2: June 15-16 - 1200-1330 GMT
Session 3: June 22-23 - 1200-1330 GMT
Session 4: June 29-30 - 1200-1330 GMT

WHO: Alumni of recent Next Generation and Emerging Security Sector Leaders programs (2015-2020) of the Africa Center are invited to apply for this virtual program. Rising professionals in their careers who seek to explore questions of leadership in the current environment and prepare for future challenges will be selected to participate. The number of applications may exceed the capacity of the program, so faculty members will evaluate essays and other application materials to select a diverse group of men and women. Uniformed military, law enforcement, and civilians are all invited to apply. This invitation is not transferable to others, but limited to alumni from these previous programs.

WHY: COVID-19 is only the latest external shock to countries, and it will not be the last. This program will allow participants to:

(1) Examine adaptive leadership and why it matters in the security sector at time

of uncertainty.

    (2) Interact with experts on the importance of adaptation in the face of unforeseen threats and crises.

    (3) Share experiences and lessons in anticipating and responding to unexpected security threats (e.g., pandemics and other shocks).

    (4) Share experiences and lessons in leveraging partnerships to enhance security.

HOW: Application process: To apply for this program, please complete the application at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NNWPTLJ

Applications must be submitted no later than April 23, 2021. Successful applicants will be notified by May 17, 2021 and will be required to complete online course work prior to the event.