

**DEVELOPING LOCAL STRATEGIES TO COUNTER VIOLENT EXTREMISM (CVE) IN
AFRICA**

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BIOGRAPHIES

LEADERSHIP

Colonel (Ret.) Daniel Hampton is the Acting Director of the Africa Center for Strategic Studies and Professor of Practice, Security Studies. He brings more than 25 years of experience developing and implementing U.S. defense policy and strategy in Africa. As professor of practice in security studies, he oversees curriculum and program management in the areas of defense institution building, national security strategy, and civil-military cooperation.

During the course of his military career, Col. Hampton served as the U.S. senior defense official to South Africa and defense attaché to Malawi, Lesotho, Swaziland, and Zimbabwe. Additionally, he was a senior policy adviser to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff on the Horn of Africa region.

Col. Hampton holds an M.A. in African studies from the University of Illinois; an M.A. in strategic studies from the U.S. Army War College in Carlisle, PA; and a B.A. in history from Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, NC.

Mr. Idriss M. Lallali is the Deputy-Director and concurrently Head of Alert and Prevention Unit at the African Centre for the Study and Research on Terrorism (ACSRT) and is a member of the multidisciplinary team designated by the AU to launch the Centre.

Among his primary responsibilities are: leading the design and development of the Centre's Counter-Terrorism Early Warning System, managing a team of analysts that conduct policy analysis, studies, synthesis, and audits on terrorism in Africa. He previously provided assistance to consultants appointed by the AU to the African Anti-Terrorist Model Law, managed the Focal Point Community Database, and led the Monitoring Process of ratification of the African and Universal Counterterrorism

Instruments. Mr. Lallali is also leading a team of experts that evaluate the Counterterrorism capacity of African Union Member States.

Dr. Anouar Boukhars is professor of counterterrorism and countering violent extremism, at the Africa Center for Strategic Studies. Dr. Boukhars works closely with African government and nongovernmental security sector leaders on developing and implementing activities and programs relating to counterterrorism and countering violent extremism. His research focuses on the dynamics of radicalization and violent extremism in Africa.

Prior to joining the Africa Center, Dr. Boukhars was a nonresident fellow in the Middle East Program at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace and an associate professor of international relations at McDaniel College. He has served on several advisory boards and committees on the Sahel and North Africa, including at the African Peacebuilding Network at the Social Science Research Council. From August 2015 to July 2017, Dr. Boukhars served at the Institute for Peace and Security Studies in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, as lead facilitator of its flagship program, the Executive Masters in Managing Peace and Security in Africa. His research has been published in numerous leading policy publications and academic journals. He routinely conducts fieldwork in Africa and consults frequently for the African Union, World Bank, United Nations, U.S. State Department, and European governments.

Dr. Boukhars holds a Ph.D. in international studies from Old Dominion University in Norfolk, Virginia; an M.A. in applied humanities from Al Akhawayn University in Ifrane, Morocco; and a B.A. in English literature from Ibn Tofail University in Kenitra, Morocco.

FACILITATORS (In Alphabetical Order)

Ms. Laurence-Aïda Ammour is an Algerian/French Sociologist and Analyst in International Security and Defence Affairs with a 20-year research experience. Her areas of expertise include strategic analyses on North Africa (Algeria, Libya, Tunisia, Morocco, Western Sahara), Sahel and West Africa.

Her analyses are led along a trans-disciplinary approach, crossing history, sociology, geopolitics, and international relations, including States' perceptions, communities conflicts, terrorism, political and military culture, and defense affairs.

Since 2011 she regularly works as speaker, contributor and facilitator with the Africa Center for Strategic Studies (Washington DC). She also is a research associate to the Centre Français de Recherche sur le Renseignement (Paris), Consultant for The Broker online, Programme "Sahel Watch" (Amsterdam, The Netherlands), The George C. Marshall Center (Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany), and member of The African Borderland Research Network (Edinburgh).

She was international staff to the Academic Research Branch at the NATO Defense College for 8 years (Rome, Italy). She has collaborated as a contributor and/or speaker with The International Institute for Security Studies (London), IHS Jane's Country Risk (London), Oxford Analytica (London), The National Defense University (Washington D.C), The US Department of State and the US Department of Defense, Africom (Stuttgart, Germany), The Center for Naval Affairs (Alexandria,VA, USA), The Geneva Centre for Security Policy (Switzerland), CIDOB (Barcelona), GRIP (Brussels), Trustafrica (Dakar), Institut Européen de la Méditerranée (IEMED-Barcelona), Nordiska Afrikainstitutet (Stockholm), USARAF (Vicenza, Italy), Institut Français des Relations Internationales (Paris), and The Universities of Valencia and Madrid (Spain).

Recent publications include: The Death of Abubakr al-Baghdadi, not a good news for Africa, CF2R, Paris, November 2019; The Wahhabi Penetration In Africa, CF2R, Paris, 2018; Libya View of Algeria, Limes Review, Rome (Italy), July 2019; "The Algerian Counter-Terrorism Strategy: Between Internal Security Imperatives and the Search for Regional Stability," African Conflict Studies Department, Ottawa University, Canada, 2019 ; « How Violent Extremist Groups Exploit Intercommunal Conflicts in the Sahel », Africa Center for Strategic Studies, Spotlight, February 2020 ; « State-backed armed governance in the Sahel stirs ethnic conflicts », The Broker (The Netherlands), February 2020. Forthcoming: "Algeria, An Emerging Power In Regional Conflict Resolution Initiatives", University of Bogota, African Studies Department, Routledge-London, 2022; and Turkey in Africa, CF2R, Paris, 2022.

Ms. Phyllis Muema is currently the Executive Director of Kenya Community Support Centre (KECOSCE), She is a Social Development Expert and holds a post graduate diploma in human and natural resources and in peace building and conflict management from Danida Fellowship Centre (DFC). She also holds a senior management certificate from the Kenya School of Government.

Phyllis is a local practitioner in CVE with 9 years experience designing project that respond to violent extremism drivers, building local capacities for community groups and civil society and policy dialogues and influencing. Phyllis played a role in the development of the Draft Kenya National Peacebuilding and conflict management policy, the Draft National Counter radicalization strategy and is a member of the Global Counter Terrorism Forum where she has provide community perspectives to Countering Violent Extremism. Phyllis is a guest speaker on the role of civil societies in confronting Terrorism at the George Marshall European Centre for Security Studies and was a member of the steering committee on Global Community Engagement and Resilience Fund (GCERV).

Dr. Émile Ouédraogo is an adjunct professor of practice at the Africa Center for Strategic Studies, specializing in issues related to national security strategy development and security sector reform and governance. Since 2007, he has worked with the Africa Center

on more than 52 activities as a speaker, facilitator, and author. He also works with UN, AU, ECOWAS Parliament, Just Future (Netherlands), Partners Global (USA), Konrad Adenauer Foundation (Germany), Friedrich Erbet Stiftung (Germany). He is a member of the Executive committee of the African Security Sector Network and founding President of the « Fondation pour la Sécurité du Citoyen » of Burkina Faso (FOSEC).

Prior to joining the Africa Center, Dr. Ouédraogo completed a six-month mission with the African Union in 2017 as a security sector reform and governance expert for Madagascar. He is currently senior expert consultant for UN in Mali and also international expert in DRC for the Dutch project « Just Future ». As Minister of Security of Burkina Faso from 2008 to 2011, he initiated and developed a Homeland Security Strategy and operationalized the concept of community policing and community participation in the management of security issues. After 32 years of service with the Burkina Faso Army, he retired from active duty in 2012 as a Colonel, having served in positions including Aide de Camp to the Prime Minister, Support Regiment Commanding Officer, Infantry Commando Regiment Commanding Officer and Chief of the Military Intelligence.

Dr. Ouédraogo was a parliamentarian in the National Assembly of Burkina Faso and the ECOWAS Parliament, where he sat on the Political Affairs, Peace, Defense, and Security Committees. In this capacity, he carried out informative and investigative missions in most of ECOWAS' 15 countries.

He earned a Ph.D. from the Center for Diplomatic and Strategic Studies in Paris, France, on security sector reform and governance in the ECOWAS Region

Ms. 'Kemi Okenyodo, Executive Director, Rule of Law Empowerment Initiative (also known as Partners West Africa- Nigeria) has over fifteen years ' experience in security and governance issues in both Nigeria and West Africa, NGO management and litigation practice.

She has expertise in the security governance sector, with special emphasis on police accountability and citizens/security institutions engagement. She has also been engaged in several works geared toward the evolution of non-state actors and their contributions to improving public safety and security; policing and gender issues, as well as, election security management. She is also well-experienced in project management, monitoring & evaluation, fund raising, stakeholder management and networking, as well as team building and innovative leadership.

Captain Joaquim Pacheco Santos, as senior Portuguese representative, serves as a liaison between the Africa Center and the Portuguese Ministry of Defense, coordinating exchanges on security-related Africa policy and scholarship. He also serves as a facilitator and speaker at Africa Center academic programs.

Prior to joining the Africa Center, Captain Joaquim Pacheco Santos served as executive assistant and adviser of the Angola Naval Academy Commander in Luanda. From 2015 to 2017, he was the Commander of the Marine's School, 2015-17, and in 2017 served as Deputy Commander of the Portuguese Marine Corps. Additionally, Captain Joaquim Pacheco Santos served as Cadet Corps Commander at the Portuguese Naval Academy from 2010 to 2013; Head of the Psychology Department at the Naval Academy between 2005 and 2010; and Lecturer on Organizational Behavior at the Naval Academy from 2005 to 2010. Captain Santos was the Head of the Department of Organizational Behavior and Leadership Training from 2002 to 2005, and Commander of the Landing Craft Unit, at the Marines Corps, from 1999 to 2002

Captain Santos holds a PhD in Management and Organizational Behavior (2015) from the Superior Institute of Work and Enterprise Sciences (I.S.C.T.E) in Lisbon, and a master's degree in Organizational Behavior (2002) from the Superior Institute of Applied Psychology (I.S.P.A) in Lisbon. Captain Santos was an Invited Lecturer on Leadership, Motivation and Corporate/Business Ethics at the ISCTE-IUL, University at Lisbon, from 2005 to 2019. He had published numerous scientific papers in the field of the team leadership development and training.

SPEAKERS (In Alphabetical Order)

Ms. Imen Belhedi joined Search as Program Director, then she became Country Director Tunisia, Imen leads the development and implementation of our strategy and our partnerships in Tunisia.

She ensures the implementation of a very diverse portfolio that seek to (1) encourage active citizen participation in processes of local and national governance, (2) transform violent extremism, and (3) promote the institutionalization of peace education.

Imen Belhadi is an expert in youth, gender, and local development, she has held several decision-making positions in the administration: Head of Office of International Cooperation, Director of Information and Documentation, Member of the cabinet of the Minister of Youth and Sports Affairs, Director General of the National Youth Observatory, and CEO of CREDIF (Center for Research, Studies, Documentation and Information on Women).

She has served as a member of the Executive Office of the National Union of Tunisian Women, Deputy Mayor of the City of Tunis, Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, President of the Tunisian Women's Youth Organization, Observer on the Human Rights Council, Founding member of ECOSOC, Vice-President of the decade of the African woman.

This dual administrative and associative expertise at the national and international levels, allowed her to participate actively in the development of different surveys, strategies and national policies as well as the setting up and implementation of cooperation projects with several donors in different sectors. (the World Bank, GIZ, UK FCO, the North South Center)

Imen Belhadi has a postgraduate degree in Law and Legal Sciences and a DSHS in Information Sciences and archiving. Auditor of the 20th class of the National Defense Institute on the "National Strategy on prevention Violent Extremism», and the 4th class of the Institute of Capacity Building of the Senior Managers of the State. As a Tunisian woman, she has Arabic as a mother tongue and is fluent in French and has good knowledge of English.

Ms. Patricia Crosby is a countering violent extremism (CVE) and governance specialist with strong experience and expertise working with governments and civil society to develop programs, strategies and action plans to address the underlying causes of violence. While at the Institute for Strategic Dialogue, Patricia led the Strong Cities Network expansion in East Africa, facilitated learning exchanges and advocated for the inclusion of local governments in security policy development. She was responsible for supporting multiple county governments in Kenya implement their action plans, developed several toolkits and tools and provided technical assistance on CVE. She also worked alongside civil society and government to design grassroots led intervention programs. Previously, Patricia worked for the Commonwealth Secretariat's CVE unit, designing and implementing government capacity-building projects. Patricia has also worked for the Canadian Government, focusing on crisis response, consular emergencies and Middle East development programming. Currently, Patricia works for Options Consultancy Services supporting their African offices design new governance and health financing programs and partnerships. Patricia graduated from the University of Ottawa with an Honours Bachelor of Social Science in International Development and Globalization.

Ms. Angela Martin is the Senior Counter Terrorism Advisor at USAID's Africa Bureau. She brings over 30 years of experience designing, managing, and implementing programs for US Government agencies such as USAID, African Development Foundation and the Peace Corps, with significant field experience in West, Central, and Southern Africa, and the Balkans. She is a senior manager and policy advisor with extensive experience in developing and applying policy decisions to assure successful implementation of field-level projects. She led all aspects of the Trans Sahara Counter Terrorism Partnership (TSCTP) program start-up for USAID and has led numerous field based assessments of violent extremism risk in Sub-Saharan Africa. She directed the USAID Africa Bureau development of technical guides which serve as the foundation for all for development assistance programs to counter violent extremism (CVE) in the agency. She has created

and delivered training based upon the technical guides to nearly 200 practitioners in 10 countries. She has collaborated extensively with national and multinational counterparts in the field of CVE. Prior to her CVE work, she directed post conflict transition programs for the USAID/Office of Transition Initiatives with activities covering multiple aspects of stabilization in six countries and political transitions in three countries.

Mr. Dominic Pkalya is a Senior Regional Manager at ISD, working across ISD's counter-extremism initiatives in Kenya and the wider the East Africa region. Dominic also supports the policy development, research, education and monitoring & evaluation (M&E) methods to measure the impact of counter-extremism programmes off- and online. Dominic is managing the PROACT community-based interventions programme as well as supporting the SCN and Young Cities initiatives in Kenya. Dominic was previously the Chief of Party for Strengthening Community Resilience against Extremism, a USAID-funded counterextremism project implemented in the coastal region of Kenya. Previously, he worked with United Nations Development Program (UNDP) Kenya, seconded to the National Drought Management Authority, providing technical support in addressing Armed Violence reduction efforts amongst pastoralist communities in Kenya. He holds a MA in Media, Conflict and Peace Studies from the UN's University for Peace and a Bachelors of Arts in Government and Public Administration from Moi University, Kenya.

Mr. Eric Rosand is the Interim Director of the Strong Cities Network, as well as a Senior Associate Fellow at the Royal United Services Institute (UK), and a Visiting Senior Fellow at The Soufan Center. He has two decades of experience working with governments, multilateral organizations, civil society, academics, and the private sector on international counterterrorism and P/CVE issues. This includes more than six years as a senior official at the US State Department where was the international policy director for the White House CVE Summit and led efforts to develop and launch the Global Counterterrorism Forum, its inspired institutions, and the Strong Cities Network. He previously was a non-resident Senior Fellow at the Brookings Institution and served as co-director of the Global Center on Cooperative Security, and a lawyer at the U.S. State Department and the U.S. Mission to the United Nations. He has also advised a number of foreign governments and multilateral organizations, including the UN and World Bank, on a range of P/CVE issues. His writings, including on the role of cities and other local actors in P/CVE, have appeared in a wide range of publications such as the American Journal of International Law, Foreign Policy, Foreign Affairs, Global Observatory, Just Security, The Hill, Lawfare, Order from Chaos, Time, and War on the Rocks. He holds a BA in history from Haverford College, a JD from Columbia University School of Law, and an LLM (Hons) in international law from Cambridge University.