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Dr. Chika Charles Aniekwe is an international development expert with over 17 years of experience. He is currently the Senior Advisor and Head of Stabilization for the UNDP/LCBC Lake Chad Basin Regional Stabilization Strategy. Dr. Aniekwe holds a PhD and Masters' degree in International Development from the University of Bradford and a Bachelor's in Political Science from the Enugu State University of Science and Technology.

Dr. Aniekwe has worked with multilateral institutions, NGOs, and academic institutions such as the African Union Commission, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), ActionAid, International Foundation for Electoral Systems, and the University of Bradford. His interests cut across democracy, governance, peacebuilding & elections. Dr. Aniekwe writes on African democracy, stabilization, elections, human rights, national dialogue, and security sector reforms.

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Teniola T. Tayo is a Policy Advisor with a focus on security, trade, and development issues in Nigeria and Africa. Her research interests cover stabilisation, peace and security, trade policy and inequality. Practically speaking, she works on the economic dimensions of conflict situations such as the Boko Haram crisis as well as on regional integration issues in Africa.

She has previously worked as a consultant with the Institute for Security Studies, Supply Chain Africa, United Nations Development Programme, West African think tank, Nextier Advisory and the Inter-American Development Bank.

She has also worked as a senior legislative aide with the Nigerian Senate. She has a Masters degree in Development Management from the London School of Economics (LSE) and a first degree from the University of Ghana. She is a Chevening Scholar, and has completed

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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.