MANAGING SECURITY RESOURCES IN AFRICA WORKSHOP
INFORMATION NOTE

WHAT: The Africa Center for Strategic Studies will facilitate a five-day workshop on tools and techniques for effective resource management in Africa’s security sector and key approaches for aligning of security resources with national security strategies in Africa.

WHERE: Lusaka, Zambia

WHEN: 1-5 May 2023

WHO: Approximately 60 mid- to senior-level senior officials with demonstrable experience in the management of resources for the security sector and/or the responsibility for strategic planning and policy drafting in their countries or institutions. Invitations will also be extended to officials from select regional organizations.

WHY: The efficient management of available resources is a key pillar of an effective national security strategy. As security challenges in Africa become more complex and as increasingly vocal demands for development force governments to make important trade-offs with available national resources, the efficient management of those resources allocated to the security sector become particularly important. While many African security professionals are familiar with the objectives, modalities, and outcomes of national security strategy, applying appropriate resource management principles to national security strategy implementation remains challenging.

HOW: The workshop will comprise: (a) interactive sessions, (b) case-based group discussions and (c) scenario-building exercises. Participants will be introduced to sound principles and appropriate frameworks that support the creation and growth of effective resource management institutions in Africa.

The workshop will be conducted in English, French, and Portuguese, to allow all participants to contribute and interact effectively. A policy of non-attribution will be observed during and after the workshop.