ENHANCING AFRICA’S RESPONSE TO TRANSNATIONAL ORGANISED CRIME

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8th of 53 African countries
3rd of 13 Southern countries
CRIMINALITY

Criminology indicators

CRIMINAL ACTORS
- CA1. Mafia-style groups
- CA2. Criminal networks
- CA3. State-embedded actors
- CA4. Foreign actors

CRIMINAL MARKETS
- CM1. Human trafficking
- CM2. Human smuggling
- CM3. Arms trafficking
- CM4. Flora crimes
- CM5. Fauna crimes
- CM6. Non-renewable-resource crimes
- CM7. Heroin trade
- CM8. Cocaine trade
- CM9. Cannabis trade
- CM10. Synthetic drug trade
**CRIMINAL ACTORS**

- **MAFIA-STYLE GROUPS**
  - Longevity
  - Degree of organisation
  - Territorial control
  - Violence
  - Legitimacy

- **CRIMINAL NETWORKS**
  - Number of people
  - Regularity of transactions
  - Diversity of markets
  - Control over supply chain
  - Profits laundered

- **STATE-EMBEDDED ACTORS**
  - Number of officials
  - Level of influence (state)
  - Level of impunity
  - Degree of influence on state resource distribution

- **FOREIGN CRIMINAL ACTORS**
  - Number of nationalities
  - Number of people
  - Foreign criminal proceeds
  - Laundered in the country
  - Level of political protection
Resilience indicators

- R1. Political leadership and governance
- R2. Government transparency and accountability
- R3. International cooperation
- R4. National policies and laws
- R5. Judicial system and detention
- R6. Law enforcement
- R7. Territorial integrity
- R8. Anti-money laundering
- R9. Economic financial environment
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2. DATA COLLECTION
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CRIMINALITY DYNAMICS - MARKETS

HEROIN  COCAINE  CANNABIS  SYNTHETIC DRUGS  ARMS TRAFFICKING

HUMAN TRAFFICKING  HUMAN SMUGGLING  FLORA  FAUNA  NON-RENEWABLE RESOURCES
• **State-embedded actors** are the most prominent criminal actor type across Africa

• **Mafia-style groups** are the least prominent criminal actor type across Africa
RESILIENCE

Leadership and governance
Criminal justice and security
Economic and financial
Civil society and social protection
Continental resilience average

- Political Leadership and Governance
- Government Transparency and Accountability
- International Cooperation
- National Policies and Laws
- Judicial System and Detention
- Law Enforcement
- Territorial Integrity
- Anti-Money Laundering
- Economic Regulatory Environment
- Victim and Witness Support
- Prevention
- Non-State Actors
What can we learn?
Innovation is not to consider organized crime in isolation, but to consider it in the context of resilience.

Large swathes of the continent with very low capacity to effect meaningful reform.

Promote success stories and act preventively, focusing on countries with rising markets.

Work preventively, monitor for shifts in the wrong direction.
CRIMINALITY DYNAMICS - IMPLICATIONS

HIGH CRIMINAL ACTORS & LOW RESILIENCE

CURRENT OVER-EMPHASIS ON CRIMINAL MARKETS

STATE-EMBEDDED ACTORS HINDER EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION

REDUCES STATE RESILIENCE
SOME KEY TAKE AWAYS

2. Political will and committed leadership can have tangible impacts.
3. Effective responses require a foundation of good governance and the rule of law.
4. Sources of resilience can come both from the state and from a diverse range of non-state actors.
THANK YOU

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