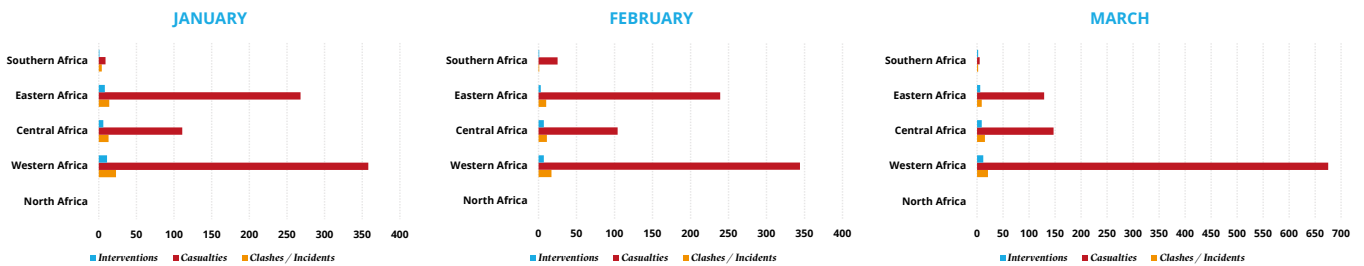
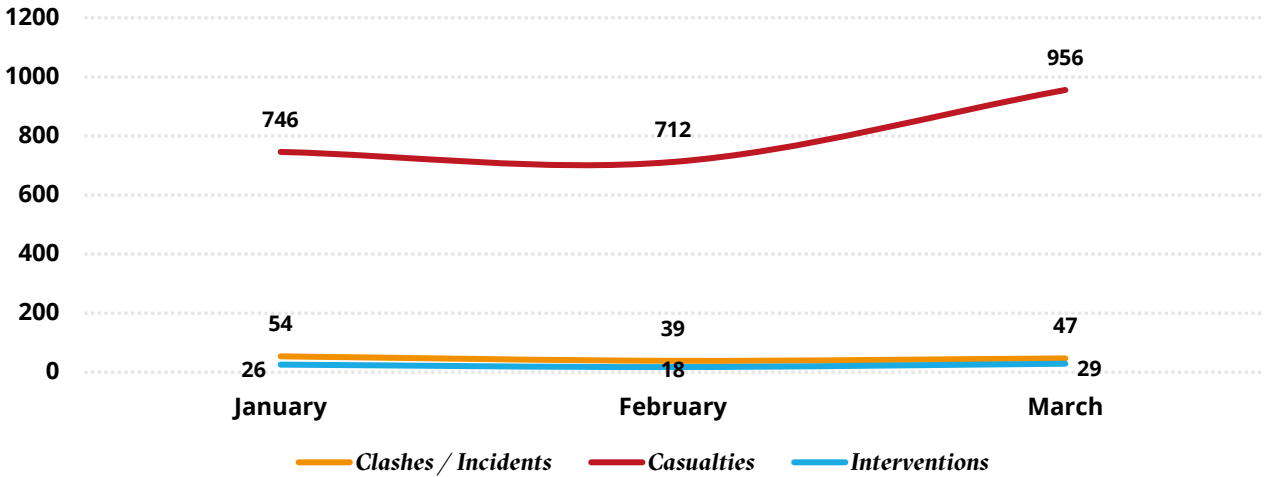




2024 - Q1



Trend Analysis : 2024 - Q1 (JAN, FEB, MAR)

Between January and February, there was a slight drop in the number of victims. However, between February and March, despite the correlation between interventions and incidents, the number of victims rose. The increase is accounted for largely by upsurge in kidnappings in countries like Nigeria as well as inter-communal conflicts in Chad.

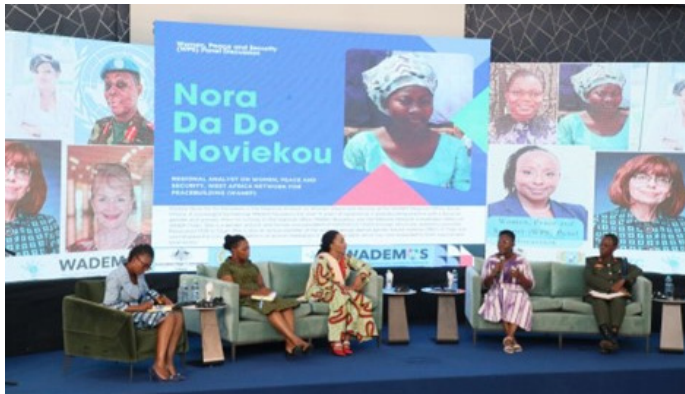
Thus, in the first quarter of 2024 (2024 - Q1), the West Africa Region recorded the highest number of casualties / victims, followed by the East Africa and the Central Africa regions respectively. The Northern and Southern Africa Regions maintained the lowest casualties / victims during the period.



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KAIPTC - Ghana : Women Peace and Security Panel Discussion Held at KAIPTC



The Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Center (KAIPTC) hosted the Women, Peace and Security (WPS) Panel Discussion funded by the Australian government.

The aim of the program was geared toward exploring the role of women in promoting peace and security in West Africa. The programme also served as a platform for academics, policy makers and other stakeholders to share lessons learnt from their experiences from conflict situations.

The Commandant of the KAIPTC, Major Gen. Richard Addo Gyane in his welcome remarks said empowering women and girls to actively engage in peace processes is not only a moral imperative but also a strategic necessity for building lasting peace. He mentioned there is need for collective work to overcome the challenges faced by ...

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NDC - Nigeria : National Defence College Course 32 participants embarked on Geo Strategic World Study Tour of selected countries



The National Defence College Course 32 participants have embarked on Geo Strategic World Study Tour of selected countries around the world as part of their academic programme. The tour which is scheduled from 13 - 27 April 2024 will see the participants and staff visiting 17 selected countries to carry out research and draw relevant lessons. The selected countries for the tour are: Botswana, China, Cote D'Ivoire, Czech Republic, Estwatini, Fiji, Gambia, Germany, Guyana, Jamaica, Jordan, Mexico, New Zealand, Phillipines, Saudi Arabia, Spain and Turkey ...

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ACCORD - South Africa : ACCORD conducts a workshop to operationalise the Eswatini Peace Committees



Developing conflict intervention mechanisms in Eswatini.

ACCORD, in partnership with the Council of Swaziland Churches (CSC), organised the second three-day workshop from 18-20 March 2024, in Manzini, Eswatini, to operationalise the Eswatini Peace Committees.

Building on from the last workshop in December 2023, this workshop brought together the council's regional focal points from the remaining two regions. They discussed processes to strengthen the operationalisation of the local Peace Committees. They were also taught about the Infrastructures for Peace that exist on the continent and analysed how best to implement the same concepts within the Eswatini context. The participants conducted a contextual analysis of conflicts within their communities, and the country as a whole. They looked at conflict intervention entry points for the Peace Committees, and how best to go about intervening. In addition, the discussions unpacked the structures of the Peace Committees, the development ...

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IPSTC - Kenya: IPSTC Director's Baraza and Trailblazers Award Celebratory Occasion

Brigadier Joyce Sitienei, Director of the International Peace Support Training Centre (IPSTC), convened the inaugural Baraza of the year at the Humanitarian Peace Support School. The gathering aimed to address significant matters with all IPSTC personnel. Additionally, the day was marked as a celebratory occasion for IPSTC's triumph in receiving the prestigious Annual Trailblazers Award ...

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 **IPSS - Ethiopia : The postponement of the 11th Tana Forum**

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Dear Tana Forum partners, participants and friends

The 11th Tana High-Level Forum on Security in Africa, originally scheduled for April 19-21, 2024 in Bahir Dar, Ethiopia, has been postponed to a later date. The Tana Forum Board and the host country have jointly decided to postpone the event, and the new date will be communicated soon. We thank you for your continued support.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact us at tanaforum@ipss-addis.org. For latest information, please visit us at www.tanaforum.org ...

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CCCPA - Egypt: CCCPA Hosts the 20th Integrated Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration Training Group (IDDRTG) Annual Meetings

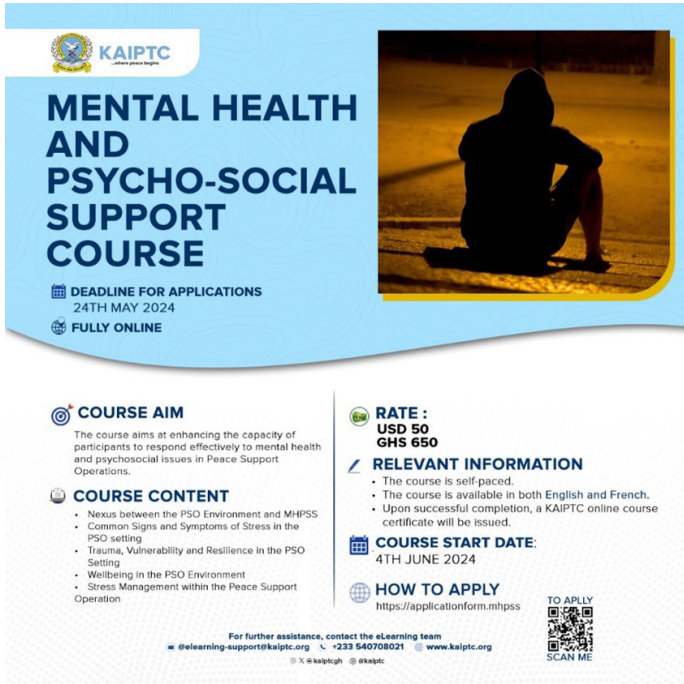


Cairo, Egypt - Acting in its capacity as co-chair of the Integrated Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration Training Group (IDDRTG), The Cairo International Center for Conflict Resolution, Peacekeeping and Peacebuilding (CCCPA) hosted the 20th IDDRTG Annual General Meeting which took place on 4 - 5 March 2024, followed by the IDDRTG Extraordinary Meeting titled, “Advancing Nationally-Owned Responses: A Path to Stability, Recovery and Lasting Peace” which took place between 6 - 7 March 2024.

Members of the IDDRTG took part in the meeting including Folke Bernadotte Academy (FBA), Bonn International Center for Conflict Studies (BICC), International Peace Support Training Centre (IPSTC), The Agency for Reincorporation and Standardization (ARN) and The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), as well as IDDRTG strategic partners including the United Nations Department of Peace Operations (UNDPO), the African Union Commission (AUC) and the European External Action Service (EEAS). The meetings also brought together representatives of various African National DDR commissions & related institutions from Mali, Burkina Faso, Niger, Nigeria, Cameroon and South Sudan; in addition to the Executive Secretary of the AU Center for Post-Conflict Reconstruction and Development (AU-PCRD), representatives from AU missions ...

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KA IPTC - Ghana : Mental Health and Psycho-Social Support Online Course



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We are excited to announce the launch of our latest eLearning course, focusing on Mental Health and Psycho-Social Support (MHPSS). This course is a vital component of our efforts to address the psychological and social needs of individuals and communities in peacebuilding contexts.

In alignment with our commercialization initiative and the revised pricelist of the Centre, the MHPSS course is now available

at a fee of 50 USD, equivalent to GHS 650.



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AFRICA NEWS

**African Peace and Security Annual Conference (APSACO) - 8th Edition : Mediation in African Internal Conflicts****MEDIATION IN AFRICAN INTERNAL CONFLICTS****June 10th - 11th, 2024 - Rabat**www.policycenter.ma

The Policy Center for the New South is organizing the 8th edition of the African Peace and Security Annual Conference (APSACO), which will be held this year under the theme “Mediation in African Internal Conflicts”. APSACO brings together experts from different parts of the world, fields, and professions to promote high-level conversations on peace and security in Africa. This annual conference provides a platform for the analysis of Africa’s peace and security structures and institutions, focusing on the continent’s assets, history, and its ability to overcome current and emerging challenges and gain global competitive advantage.

The persistent conflict hotspots in Africa, ranging from West Africa’s Sahel to the Horn of Africa, continue to pose challenges despite efforts from various African, regional, and international bodies. These conflicts often stem from internal political transitions, escalating into civil wars or crises. The emergence of armed rebellions, terrorist networks, and mercenaries further exacerbates regional instability ...

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AU & RECS/RMS HEADLINES**04 April 2024****The Ambassador of the Republic of Tunisia visited the NARC**

The Ambassador of the Republic of Tunisia visited the headquarters of the NARC on Thursday, April 4, 2024. He was received by the Chief of the Planning Unit and a number of NARC's employees. During the visit, an introduction to NARC took place ...

[Source](#)**15 April 2024****Second Group of the Southern African Development Community Mission in Mozambique (SAMIM) Force Members Withdrawing from Cabo Delgado**

The SADC Mission in the Republic of Mozambique (SAMIM)'s Republic of South Africa Contingent members are the second group to withdraw from SAMIM in Cabo Delgado ...

[Source](#)**16 April 2024****ECOWAS sends a fact-finding mission to Togo**

The President of the ECOWAS Commission, H.E. Omar Alieu Touray, has approved the deployment of a Fact-Finding Mission to Togo ahead of the legislative and regional elections scheduled for 29 April 2024.

The Mission will undertake a pre-electoral assessment ...

[Source](#)**25 April 2024****HANDS Member States Mapping Capabilities Workshop in Kigali Rwanda**

The Eastern Africa Standby Force (EASF) launched a five-day workshop for mapping Member States capabilities for Humanitarian Action and Natural disasters (HANDS) on 25th March 2024 in Kigali, Rwanda ...

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS



ECOWAS has proven it can solve crises. But like U.N. and other bodies, it needs updating.



Friday, April 19, 2024 - by : Joseph Sany, Ph.D.

As the United States and international partners work to stabilize Africa's Sahel region - and to prevent its warfare, violent extremism and armed coups from metastasizing into Africa's densely populous and strategic Atlantic coast - the West African multinational bloc, ECOWAS, has proven its value in resolving crises and promoting stability. Yet, as global security threats have evolved, ECOWAS, like other multinational bodies, needs updated capacities to meet new challenges. International democracies' most effective initiative to support West Africa's stability would be to partner with West Africans to strengthen their vital regional community. A similar strategy is valid across Africa

West Africa: A Global Security Imperative

Anyone paying serious attention to U.S. or international security already recognizes the imperative to build effective strategies to stabilize the Sahel and West Africa. The latest Global Terrorism Index redoubles that urgency, finding that the Sahel's violence wrought fully 47% of all global deaths from terrorism last year. Africans and their partners must prevent the immensely greater African and global crises - human death and displacement, disrupted trade routes, economies and more ...

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Peacekeeping This Month - April 2024

The APSTA “Peacekeeping This Month” is an Online Journal for interested institutions and individuals to express informed opinion or share perspectives on all matters peacekeeping, peace operations or peace support operations (PSOs). The Secretariat: was able to cover stories in Africa on peacekeeping as follows :

Inner circles | DRC : SADC regional force chief Monwabisi Dyakopu walks tightrope against M23

After almost four months in charge of a regional intervention force deployed to restore peace to eastern DRC, the South African is frustrated by a shortage of men and resources. And a chronically strained relationship with MONUSCO isn't helping. [...]

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Spotlight | DRC : Kinshasa seeks to eliminate M23 political wing under Corneille Nangaa



The activities of the DRC's former electoral commission boss, who is now the political face of the eastern rebellion, are alarming the Tshisekedi administration, which planned to have him killed in late 2023. [...]

Corneille Nangaa during a press conference at the HQ of the independent electoral commission CENI in Kinshasa on 20 December 2018. © Luis Tato/AFP

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