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1. Document Library

2. Experts Database

- Request for credentials
- View, Add and Update Experts
- Search for experts by Expertise field, Rank, Gender, Organization, Country ...

APSTA-POTI e-learning free courses

Dear Scholar ,

The Peace Operations Training Institute is pleased to partner with the African Peace Support Trainers Association (APSTA) to provide e-learning on peacekeeping courses at no cost. POTI offers courses in English, French, and Spanish, as well as others in Arabic and Portuguese.

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This programme is funded by Global Affairs Canada's Peace and Stabilization Operations Programme and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands.

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Example of a course certificate

How to get started:

- Go to the APSTA page on the POTI website: <http://www.peaceopstraining.org/programs/ntcelp/africa/apsta/> and click on the blue sign up box.
- Enter **APSTA** in the programme eligibility code box that appears when you create your student profile.

How to enrol in courses:

- **Sign in** to your account through the POTI homepage www.peaceopstraining.org.
- Click **Enrol**.
- Click **Add to Basket** for each course you want to study.
- Click the **basket** icon at the top of the page.
- Click **Checkout**.

How to access your courses and method of study:

- Click **My Courses** on your account home page.
- Click on the course title.
- Click **Start Pretest** and answer the questions.
- Click the link to the course files displayed on this page.
- Read and study the material.
- Test your knowledge with the self-scoring end-of-lesson practice quiz.
- Take the online End-of-Course Examination.
- Download or print your Certificate of Completion.
- See your name listed on the Honour Roll: www.peaceopstraining.org/recent_graduates.

Two levels of certification available:

Individual Course Certificate:

Students earn a personalized Certificate of Completion for each successfully completed course.

Peace Operations Specialized Training (POST) Certificate:

Students earn a POST certificate by completing a topic-specific eight-course sequence and comprehensive examination. Topics available are Military Studies, Police Studies, Civilian Service, Gender Awareness, Logistical Support, and Human Rights (fee required).

Join us online

Read the latest POTI news on the POTI Facebook page and Twitter feed (@peaceoperations). Members are able to participate in discussions and communicate with peace, security, and stability operations professionals through our Facebook group.



Use the POTI APP

Download the POTI Classroom APP for quick course access and management.



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APSTA NEWS



Celebrating The Birthday Of Our DES/PROGMS COORD

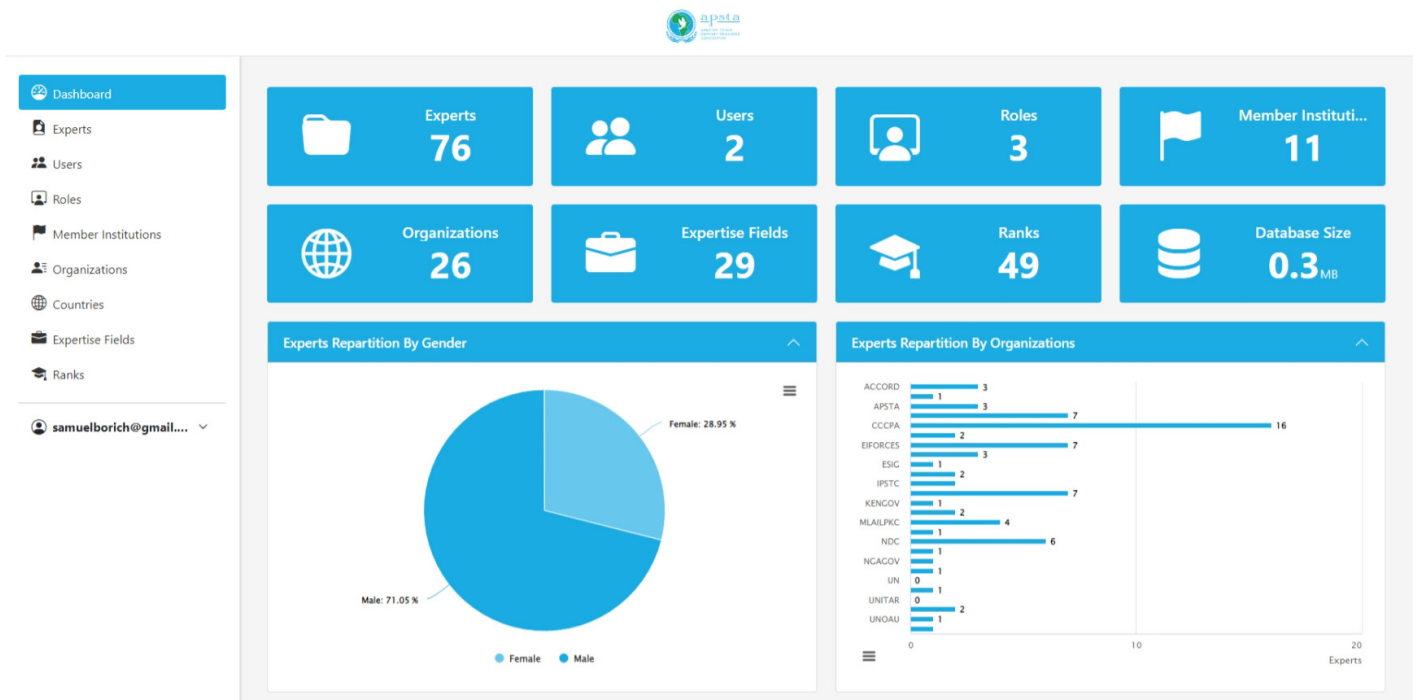


From L-R: Mr. Christian ICHITE (DES/PROG Coord), Ms. Jane Nyanbura KAYRANJA (Fin/HR/Admin Officer) and Dr. Cecile OYONO THOM (Executive Secretary)

Upholding the APSTA family principle of love, hard work and team building in the secretariat, the staff together with the Executive Secretary celebrated the birthday of the Deputy Executive Secretary/Programmes Coordinator, **Mr. Christian ICHITE** in a very small event. We value the life and happiness of all our staff and interns and build teamwork as we work on our mandates. From all of us, we wish you blessed Happy Birthday and long life ...



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- A 3-tier architecture (Client, Apache and MySql) supplied with a MVC design pattern and a secured security feature for data protection and hacking.
- Development flow algorithm can be expanded and tailored for more functionalities as the system requirements and requests increases.
- System comes with a dashboard of 11 featured functionalities.
- Secured and hosted on APSTA's web-server.
- MIs access to add or update experts with embedded security and login credentials.
- Query and search for specific individuals or Expertise/Rank/Country/Name Region.
- Over 100 experts/mind captured so far ...

DOCUMENT LIBRARY

- APSTA Newsletters
- APSTA Situation Room Brief (conflicts & interventions)
- AU - PSOD
- Meetings
- Publications and white papers
- Silencing The Guns
- UN
- Senior Mission Leadership



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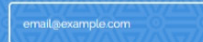
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MEMBER INSTITUTIONS NEWS

**KAIPTC - Ghana : GAF personnel complete sensitization tours of GAF Garrisons, under Elsie Initiative for Women in Peace Operations project**

An eight-month nation-wide tour of the Garrisons of the Ghana Armed Forces (GAF) by staff of the Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre (KAIPTC) to sensitize personnel on gender awareness has ended in Accra. About 14,000 personnel have been educated on Women, Peace and Security mechanisms in the GAF and sensitized on certain cultures and gender roles that hamper the progress of women in the Armed Forces. The sessions also highlighted the initiatives and commitment of the GAF leadership to mainstream gender in its operations to achieve gender equality and women's empowerment ...

[Read More](#)**ACCORD - South Africa : ACCORD supports an African Union experience-sharing workshop**

Best practices to strengthen national efforts towards the meaningful inclusion of youth in peace and security.

ACCORD, in partnership with the African Union and its Youth for Peace Africa Program and the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit, supported an experience-sharing workshop around the development of national action plans (NAPs) for youth, peace and security (YPS). The workshop took place at the African Union headquarters in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia from 12 to 13 April 2023. ACCORD's Programme Officer, Ms Savannah Wilmot moderated a discussion on the role of youth in developing and implementing NAPs and Programme Officer, and Mr Adam Randera presented on the YPS ...

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IPSTC - Kenya : 27th Iaptc Executive Committee Meeting



The International Association of Peacekeeping Training Centres (IAPTC) has just concluded its Executive Committee meeting in preparation for the 27th IAPTC Annual Conference which took place On 17-19 April 2023. The conference is set to be held on 6-10 November 2023, in Kenya and will have the theme «Leveraging partnerships in peace operations training to meet complex environments.»

As a platform for experts and stakeholders to share their knowledge and best practices in the field of peacekeeping, the conference promises to be an insightful event. With the conference slated for 2023, attendees will have ample time to prepare and look forward to participating in the various activities and sessions ...

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RPA - Rwanda : Military, police and civilian personnel complete a regional training on protection of civilians

Twenty-five military, police and civilian personnel from four Eastern Africa Standby Force (EASF) member states, namely: Burundi, Kenya, Rwanda and Uganda attended the Protection of Civilians (PoC) Course at the Rwanda Peace Academy (RPA) from 17 April 2023 to 21 April 2023.

The objective of the course was to enhance the capacity of participants for the effective implementation of protection of civilians' mandates in peace operations, in order to mitigate the effects of conflicts on civilians. The one-week course was organized in partnership between the Rwanda Peace Academy and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR).

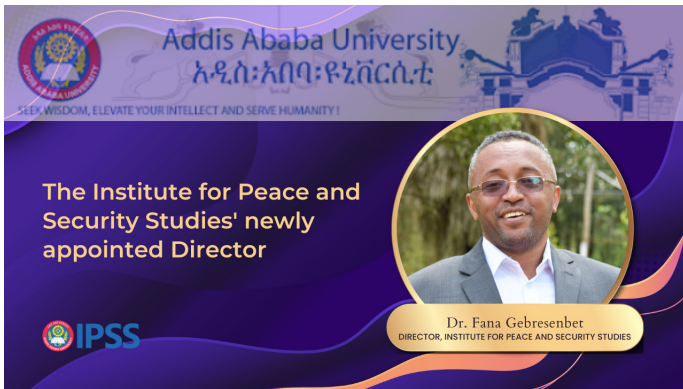
Colonel (Rtd) Jill Rutaremara, the Director of the Rwanda Peace Academy, presided over the official closing ...

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IPSS - Ethiopia : AAU appoints Dr Fana Gebresenbet as Director of IPSS



expressed that “Dr Fana will discharge his responsibility effectively and with full commitment in his role”.

Fana Gebresenbet is an Associate Professor at the Institute for Peace and Security Studies, teaching masters and PhD courses.

In 2016, he received his PhD in Global and Area Studies, with special emphasis on peace and security in Africa, from the University of Leipzig and Addis Ababa University. His dissertation was on “The Political Economy of Land Investments: Dispossession, Resistance ...”

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Dr. Fana Gebresenbet has been appointed Director of the Institute for Peace and Security Studies (IPSS) at Addis Ababa University as of 4 April 2023, AAU President Office announced. The AAU president, Professor Tassew Woldehana in the letter of appointment



MLAIPKC - Nigeria : Advertisement For The Validation Of Research Work On Piracy



Validation of research report on anti - piracy

Violent conflicts in many countries of the world, particularly in Africa have continued to increase both in complexities and numbers. These violent conflicts, which is mostly due to lack of good governance and high unemployment have often pushed many to engage in criminal acts which pose risks to citizens and endangers the economy of the countries concern ...

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WORLD NEWS



UN Experts Accuse Senior South Sudan Officials Of Rights Abuses



3 Apr 2023 : A United Nations-backed panel of investigators have alleged in a new report that several officials in South Sudan have perpetrated serious human rights violations and should be held accountable for their crimes. Top government and military leaders were identified on Monday in a new report by the UN Commission on Human Rights in South Sudan that details state responsibility for widespread murder, rape and sexual slavery. The commission – which conducted a year-long investigation across six states in

South Sudan, and released a partial summary of its findings in March – said none of those named in the final report had faced any accountability for their crimes.

“Over several years, our findings have consistently shown that impunity for serious crimes is a central driver of violence and misery faced by civilians in South Sudan,” Yasmin Sooka, commission chair, said. “So we have taken the step of naming more ...

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AU & RECS/RMS HEADLINES**14 April 2023****Religious leaders join UN in praying for peace - « our most precious goal »**

At a time of terrible divisions in the world, leaders from multiple faiths joined together at UN Headquarters in New York on Friday to observe a moment of prayer for peace. UN Secretary-General António Guterres noted that the gathering was taking place at a unique moment : on the last Friday ...

[Source](#)**13 April 2023****East Africa: Uhuru Calls for Backing EAC Regional Force in Congo to Aid Nairobi-Led Mediation**

Nairobi - Retired President Uhuru Kenyatta has called for support from the East African Community (EAC) regional force in the Eastern Democratic Republic of Congo as a neutral force to support Nairobi-led mediation efforts ...

[Source](#)**13 April 2023****Dozens raped as migrant workers deported from Angola to DR Congo**

Congolese civilians, Angolan forces responsible for abuse of women and children, doctor says, as thousands of undocumented workers expelled. Women and children have been raped and subjected to other abuses during a mass expulsion of migrant workers from Angola ...

[Source](#)**13 April 2023****Communique - Statement on Kidnapping of Children in Zamfara State, Nigeria**

The Commission of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) is following with grave concern reports about the kidnapping of 80 children by unidentified armed elements on 7 April 2023 in Tsafe Local Government Area of Zamfara State ...

[Source](#)

Peacekeeping This Month - March 2023

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 :



Guterres delivers message of « hope and renewal » for Somalia



“Somalia faces many challenges, but in **the spirit of Ramadan, I also bring a message** of hope and renewal – the United Nations stands in solidarity with the Somali people.

“Let us come together to advance peace and security, sustainable development and human rights - and build a better future for all Somalis,” the UN chief said.

He was addressing a news conference in the Somali capital, Mogadishu, on

the second and last day of his visit to Somalia.

On Tuesday, the Secretary-General met with Somalia’s President Hassan Sheikh Mohamud and members of his cabinet and advisors, visited internally displaced families in South West State on a trip to Baidoa, and met separately with civil society organisations and the heads of UN agencies, funds and programmes working in support ...

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