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About us



Welcome to CSDS Africa

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The Centre for Strategic and Defence Studies, Africa (CSDS Africa) is a non-profit, non-partisan think tank dedicated to improvement of security and governance transitions in stable, fragile, failed and conflict-affected states in Africa. Based in Accra, CSDS maintains a global, multi-disciplinary network of researchers, practitioners and academics specializing in the field of international peace and security.

CSDS seeks to enhance the effectiveness of donor assistance and support to security sector programs through research, events, training and direct policy advice to African governments.

Publications and Projects

The Center produces monthly digests, regional assessments, security rankings, monographs, annual awards and related publications from our network of experts. The object of these publications is to encourage early action, engagement, and improved awareness of the security landscape, in areas such as:

- Border Security
- Conflict Prevention
- Counter Narcotics
- Counter-Violent Extremism
- Cyber Security
- Drone Technology, Law & Policy

- Defence and Civil-Military Relations
- Electoral Security
- Environmental Security
- Health Security
- Intelligence Management
- Irregular and Asymmetric Warfare
- Maritime Security
- Natural Resource Conflict
- Peacekeeping
- Police Sector Reform
- Regional and International Security Cooperation
- Security and Development
- Security Sector Governance
- Security Situation in Fragile States, and
- Trade and Economic Security

Invest in Africa

Africa's market is rapidly expanding, comprising 5 of the 10 fastest growing economies in 2017 and with a total GDP predicted to reach \$4tr by 2030. By 2030, Africa is expected to amount to a market of 1 billion middle-class consumers. Partner with CSDS Africa to learn more about the potential outcomes of strategic events in Africa.

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Esther Nyantekyiwaah Appiah

Esther is a member of the National Security Council (NSC) of the Republic of Ghana. She was Director of the Women and Juvenile Unit of the Ghana Police Service, and previous to that Head of the Special Investigations Unit, Fraud Unit and Homicide Unit of the Ghana Police Service among several others. She served as United Nations Lead Investigator in Eritrea, Bosnia, East Timor, Sudan and Ethiopia. She is author of the "Healing Balm" (2006).



H.E. Ambassador Dr. William G.M. Brandful

Ambassador Brandful was High Commissioner of Ghana to Zambia. His previous diplomatic assignments were at the Embassy of Ghana in Bamako, Mali as Minister Plenipotentiary and Deputy Ambassador, with oversight responsibility for the Chancery and directly in charge of matters covering Political and Economic relations; Embassy of Ghana in Bonn, Federal Republic of Germany.



Prof. Ransford Gyampo

Prof. Gyampo is an associate professor of Political Science and Director for European Studies at University of Ghana. He is the senior research fellow at the Institute for Democratic Governance (IDEG).



Justice Dennis Dominic Adjei

His Lordship Mr Justice Dennis Adjei, is a Justice of the Court of Appeal. He is Chairman of the United Nations Environmental Programme for Environmental Law Training in the Judiciaries of Africa and Director of the Judicial Training School in Accra.



Prof. Ken Agyemang Attafuah

Prof. Attafuah is a respected lawyer and distinguished academic. He served as Dean of the Faculty of Law at Central University Prof Attafuah is a renowned voice in both the local and international media on issues of human rights, gender, crime, policing and security.



Hon James Agalga, MP

Hon James Agalga is a former Deputy Minister of State for Interior. He is a distinguished Lawyer and Member of Parliament for Balsa North Constituency in the Upper East Region. He is currently the ranking member of Parliament for the Defense and Interior Committee.



Dr. Vladimir Antwi-Danso

Dr. Antwi-Danso is a distinguished academic and consultant to many international organizations. He is Head of Academic Affairs at the Ghana Armed Forces Command and Staff College and author of several conference papers, monographs and articles in scholarly journals. He was educated at the University of Leningrad and University of Ghana.



Dr. Ebenezer Appiah-Denkyira

Dr. Appiah-Denkyira served as Director-General of the Ghana Health Service and Fellow of the Ghana College of Physicians and Surgeons. He has also served as board member of the World Health Organisation (WHO) and Advisory Member for the Global Alliance on Migration. He is a leading authority on public health security matters. He was educated at the University of Denmark and Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology.



ACP Mrs. Patience Ashoikor Quaye

Assistant Commissioner of Police Mrs. Patience Ashoikor Quaye, is a highly distinguished Police Officer. She was recipient of the International Association Of Woman Police (IAWP) Excellence in Performance Award, and was Head of the Anti-Human Trafficking Unit of the Ghana Police Service. She was educated at the University of Ghana and the Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA).

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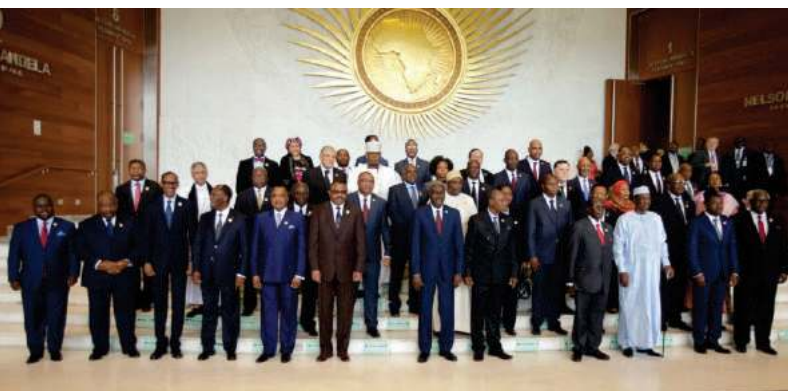
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THEMATIC AREAS

Conflict, Peace and Governance

CSDS Africa conducts field research to understand national, regional and continental trends in conflict, politics, economics and development. Results inform local and international policy and strategy, and enable decision makers to test the implications of their policy choices well into the future.

EXPERTISE



THEMATIC AREAS

Maritime, border and cyber security

CSDS Afica raises awareness about maritime, border and cyber security and its role in Africa's economy, and works with ECOWAS, African Union, SGI to develop policy and strategy.



THEMATIC AREAS

Defence, peace operations and peacebuilding

CSDS works with governments and regional and international institutions to improve defence policy, peacekeeping and peacebuilding practice.

Health security, CBRN threats and international crime: CSDS work with national governments, regional and international institutions to improve understanding and management of regional health security threats, bio-terrorism and CBRN risks.

Intelligence, Transnational threats and

international crime: CSDS partners with national governments, regional and international institutions, and civil society to respond effectively and appropriately to terrorism, organised crime, arms proliferation, crimes against humanity, war crimes and genocide.

Statutory law review and enforcement: CSDS partners to develop policies and strategies that improve the performance of the criminal justice system and mitigates violence.



THEMATIC AREAS

Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear Security

CSDS Africa works for the safe, secure and peaceful application of Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear (CBRN) technology, contributing to international peace and security and the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals.

We promote a strong and sustainable CBRN safety and security framework in West Africa, working to protect people, society and the environment from the harmful effects of ionizing radiation.



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