
Sahelian Security in Flux

13 May 2019 | Chatham House, London

09.30 – 10.00 Registration and Coffee

10.00 – 10.05 Welcome

Dr Alex Vines OBE, Africa Programme, Chatham House

Dr Edward Stoddard, Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna, Pisa; University of Portsmouth

10.05 – 11.05 Keynote Presentation One

Scoping the Security Crisis in the Sahel

Professor Isaac Albert, University of Ibadan

Chair: **Professor Tony Chafer**, University of Portsmouth

11.05 – 11.30 Break

11.30 – 13.00 Panel One: Sub-State Challenges in the Sahel

The Rise of the Islamic State in the Greater Sahara: A Deviant Case of Violent Extremism in the Central Sahel?

Dr Luca Raineri, Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna, Pisa

The Birth of a Jihadi Rural State on Lake Chad: Al Barnawi's ISWAP from Theology to Practice

Dr Vincent Foucher, Sciences Po Bordeaux

The Fulani Factor and Political (In)stability in West Africa

Professor Han Van Dijk, Leiden University

Chair: **Dr Edward Stoddard**, Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna, Pisa; University of Portsmouth

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch

14.00 – 15.00 Keynote Presentation Two

Insurgencies and Armed Violence in the Central Sahel (Mali, Burkina Faso, Niger): The Recent Past and Prospects for the Immediate Future

Dr Jean-Hervé Jezequel, International Crisis Group

Chair: **Dr Alex Vines OBE**, Africa Programme, Chatham House

15.05 – 16.35 Panel Two: Assessing Contemporary Responses

The European Union Integrated and Regionalised Approach towards the Sahel

Dr Elisa Lucia Lopez, Université Libre de Bruxelles

African Patchwork Approach in the Sahel: Learning the Lessons for a more Coherent Regional Cooperation

Dr Amandine Gnanguenon, Université d'Auvergne

France's Interventions in Mali and the Sahel: A Historical Institutional Perspective

Professor Tony Chafer, University of Portsmouth

Climate Change and Insecurity in the Sahel: Why We Should be Cautious about Big Claims

Aoife McCullough, Overseas Development Institute

Chair: **Dr Melita Lazell**, University of Portsmouth

16.35 – 16.50 Break

16.50 – 17.30 Breakout Discussions

17.30 – 18.00 Feedback from Breakout and Final Roundtable

Chair: **Paul Melly**, Africa Programme, Chatham House

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