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## PROGRAMME

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**09.00-09.30**    **Registration of participants**

**09.30-10.00**    **Opening remarks**

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**10.00-11.30**    **1<sup>st</sup> Session**

**THE SECURITY-MIGRATION-DEVELOPMENT NEXUS IN THE SAHEL:  
A REALITY CHECK**

Introductory  
remarks

**CÉCILE KASHETU KYENGE**

Member of the European Parliament

Chair

**ULI RODGERS**

Senior Program Manager for Francophone West Africa, National Democratic Institute (NDI)

Speakers

**ALESSANDRO ROSSI**

Independent Consultant, Nairobi

**MAUREEN ACHIENG**

Chief of Mission to Ethiopia and Representative to the African Union, IGAD and UNECA, International Organization for Migration (IOM), Addis Ababa

**11.30-12.00**    **Coffee break**

**12.00-13.30** **2<sup>nd</sup> Session**  
**LESSON LEARNED FROM NIGER, SENEGAL AND SUDAN: MIGRATION DYNAMICS**

Chair **RAKEB ABATE**  
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Speakers **DANDA MAHAMADOU**  
Associate Lecturer, École nationale d'administration et de magistrature (ENAM), Niamey

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**13.30-14.30** Buffet Lunch

**14.30-16.00** **3<sup>rd</sup> Session**  
**LESSON LEARNED FROM NIGER, SENEGAL AND SUDAN: DEVELOPMENT AND SECURITY**

Chair **MAKDA TESSEMA**  
Democracy and Governance Fellow, African Governance Architecture /African Union, Addis Ababa

Speakers **SOULEYMANE SAGNA**  
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**BASHAIR AHMED**  
Executive Director, Shabaka Social Enterprise, London and Doctoral Researcher, University of Sussex, Brighton

**16.00-16.30** Coffee break

**16.30-18.00** **4<sup>th</sup> Session**  
**THE EU, THE US AND THE SAHEL REGION**

Chair **TEWOLDE GEBREMESKEL**  
Director, Peace and Security, Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD)

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**18.00-18.15** **Concluding remarks**

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