

Panel Discussion Invitation

Culture in Ruins: the illicit trade in cultural property in North and West Africa

Date: 26 November 2020 Time: 15:00-16:30 CET

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The illicit trade in cultural property – cultural goods and looted archaeological objects, highly valued on international markets – is one of the greatest threats to heritage in North and West Africa.

Join us for an event that will bring together leading researchers and cultural heritage professionals to discuss new and emerging dynamics in the illegal trade, its impact on cultural heritage and communities in these regions and innovative policy responses.

The discussion will draw on a new ENACT research study – ‘[Culture in Ruins](#)’ – which investigates the dynamics of trafficking in Mali, Nigeria, Tunisia and Algeria. Leading experts in the field will also present their own work and perspectives on the issue as it is manifested in North and West Africa. We hope to prompt a debate on how the illegal trade in cultural property is to be understood and national and international-level responses to it.

Speakers:

Daouda Keita – Director-General, National Museum of Mali

Katie A. Paul – Co-Director of the Antiquities Trafficking and Heritage Anthropology Research (ATHAR) Project

Rim Dhaouadi – Practicing attorney and researcher specialised in international law, human rights, and security studies in North Africa. Co-author of the ENACT ‘Culture in Ruins’ study

Julia Stanyard – Analyst, Global Initiative Against Transnational Organized Crime and co-author of the ENACT ‘Culture in Ruins’ study

Moderator:

Simone Haysom – Senior Analyst, Global Initiative Against Transnational Organized Crime



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