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Resilience to organised crime: new insights from West Africa

Date: 31 January 2023

Time: 15:00 to 16:30 (GMT+1)

Venue: Online via Zoom

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Across West Africa, illicit economies flourish in areas affected by instability, and enable conflicts to start and endure. Local communities are key to dealing with the impact of organised crime in conflict settings, but knowledge of how to build resilience is limited. New research in Nigeria, Guinea-Bissau and Burkina Faso starts to address this gap.

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Presenters will speak in English, French and Portuguese, and simultaneous interpretation will be provided.

Moderator: Siria Gastelum Felix, Director of Resilience, Global Initiative Against Transnational Organized Crime

Opening remarks: TBC

Speakers:

- Yvon Dandurand, Professor Emeritus, Criminology and Criminal Justice, University of the Fraser Valley, BC, Canada
- Oumar Zombre, Senior Freelance Journalist, Burkina Faso
- Pedro Djassi, Guinea-Bissau Analyst, Global Initiative Against Transnational Organized Crime
- Kingsley Madueke, Nigeria Research Coordinator, Global Initiative Against Transnational Organized Crime
- Lucia Bird, Director, West Africa Observatory, Global Initiative Against Transnational Organized Crime

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