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### EDITORIAL



The Covid-19 pandemic and the measures implemented by governments to decelerate the spread of the virus are likely to have a far-reaching impact on the prevention of violent extremism in fragile and conflict-affected contexts. Our note explores perspectives for national and international actors to support security sector governance and reform (SSG/R) whilst seeking to address the root causes and drivers of violent extremism under current circumstances.

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### BURKINA FASO



#### **[Training] Personnel of SGDN, Security Ministry, Defence Ministry, and more**

DCAF organised a training session for 15 staff members of the General Secretariat of National Defence (SGDN) and of various Ministries to support the processes of evaluating, harmonising and disseminating information... [\[read more\]](#)



#### **[Private security] Study on private security in Burkina Faso**

The Business and Security Division of DCAF and the Private Security Observatory teamed up to conduct a study to take stock of the private security sector in Burkina Faso, determine the general characteristics of the sector... [\[read more\]](#)

### MALI



#### **[Training] Assisting the DGPN to train focal point trainers**

DCAF accompanied the Gender focal point of the National Police Inspectorate-General (DGPN) to assist with the training of instructors of police officials and civil society actors. This was one of the first Gender Focal Point training... [\[read more\]](#)



#### **[Missions] Supporting the ISSPC in its 'acquired knowledge' pilot missions**

The pilot missions of the Inspectorate-General of Security Services and Civil Protection (ISSPC) relating to the application of acquired knowledge and implementation of internal oversight and investigation tools were carried out... [\[read more\]](#)

### NIGER



#### **[Domestic security] Supporting the working group drafting bills**

With DCAF's support, the technical committee charged with drafting bills is continuing to work on the legal framework pertaining to the domestic security sector. The committee organised a workshop at the National Police... [\[read more\]](#)



#### **[Training] Monitoring and assessing the implementation of the SNSI**

DCAF continued to support the committee charged with monitoring and evaluating the National Domestic Security Strategy (SNSI) with focal point training. At two coaching sessions of the Secretary of the SNSI technical... [\[read more\]](#)

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