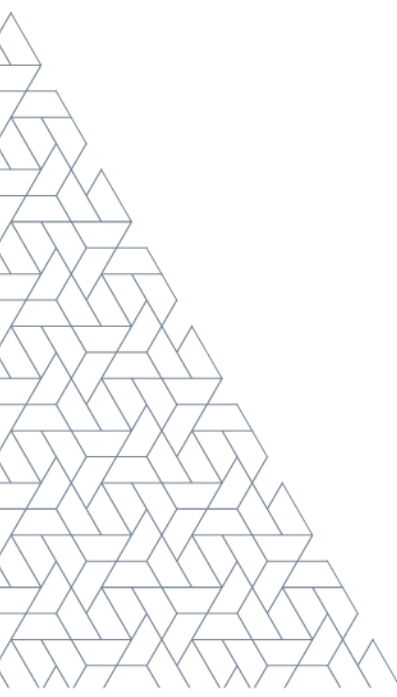


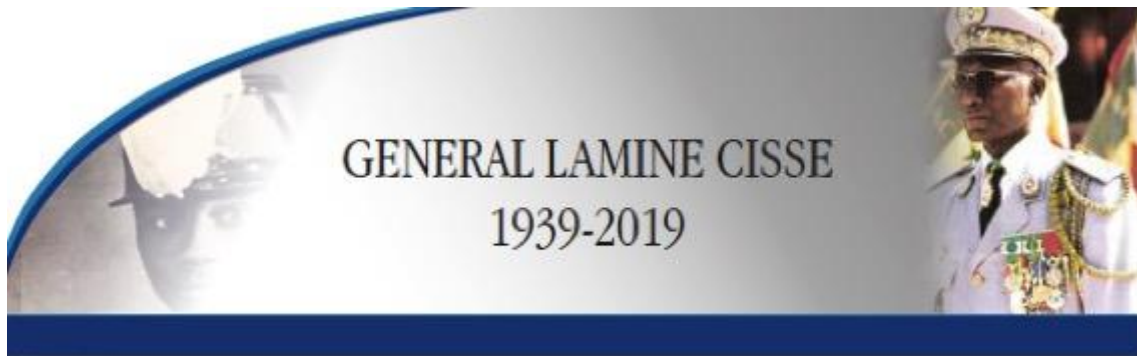


General Lamine CISSE Award

*Young Researcher Award on the promotion of good governance in the
security and justice sector reform*

Contest Rules





“GENERAL LAMINE CISSE” DAYS
APRIL 16, 2021,
DAKAR

**“Tributes, reflexions and synergies for peace and
security on the path set by an exemplary man”**



Article 1. Context

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TRIBUTES, REFLEXIONS AND SYNERGIES FOR PEACE AND SECURITY

ON THE PATH SET BY AN EXEMPLARY MAN

April 19, 2021 will mark the second anniversary of the passing of General Lamine Cissé, renowned personality both in West Africa and internationally for its commitment and the wide scope of the actions accomplished in the framework of his successive missions and functions in the service of peace and security, especially in Senegal and elsewhere in Africa.

In order to honor his memory, to underline the exemplarity of his career and disseminate his thought, Partners West Africa - Senegal (PWA - Senegal) is organizing a day of tributes and reflections on 16 April 2021 focusing on the works and values of General Lamine Cissé that have influenced political and military leaders, and served as sources of inspiration for patricians and researchers involved in security sector governance, conflict management and settlement, and protection of populations.

Planned for 2020, this first edition of the tribute days has been postponed due to the global health crisis. In order to comply with health measures, it will take the form of a hybrid forum offering the public the opportunity to follow the debates and events by videoconference.

This event, organized in collaboration with the Senegalese Ministry of the Armed Forces and with the support of the Geneva Centre for Security Sector Governance (DCAF), will be organized around three main components:

- 1- A ceremony of tributes and testimonies;
- 2- A symposium on “Integrity, ethics and good governance in the service of peace and security”;
- 3- An exhibition on General Lamine Cissé’s journey.

Article 2. DCAF contribution

DCAF will partner with Partners West Africa - Senegal (PWA - Senegal) for the organization of the symposium on “Integrity, ethics and good governance in the service of peace and security” through the creation of an **award of excellence** intended to **young African researchers** (masters & doctoral students or young doctors). The winner of the award will have his research project funded by a capital of CFA 1.500.000. Please note that only future or ongoing research projects are admissible.



The topic for the research prize is:

“Good governance and integrity in security and justice sector reform”.

The award pays tribute to General Lamine Cissé’s commitment to good governance and integrity in security and justice sector reforms and his essential involvement within DCAF. General Lamine Cissé’s interest has always focused on the populations and the bond they have with security actors. By advocating for integrity in leadership, General Lamine Cissé pleaded for strong and credible security institutions. Their legitimacy in the service of peace and stability was, according to him, one of the major challenges for future African leaders.

Article 3. Selected topics

This award aims to honour the memory of General Lamine Cissé, who passed away on April 19, 2019. Its objective is to support African research by developing innovative work focusing on issues related to the governance of the security and justice sector, a priority area for DCAF.

While promoting innovative methodologies, research projects presented should highlight the analysis of the following themes:

- Governance in the service of peace and security;
- Integrity of security forces with regard to the populations;
- The basis of ethics and professional conduct in the training of security forces;
- The role of diplomacy in promoting peace;
- Crisis situations and military ethics.

Article 4. Criteria for the selection of projects

The selection criteria applied for the evaluation of projects are:

1. The candidate’s ability to carry out high-quality research (level of studies, professional experience, published work, academic support);
2. Relevance and originality of the research work in relation to the current security and good governance challenges;
3. The link with the selected topics for the award, as specified in article 3;
4. The methodology and structure of the work;
5. The analytical development of the project rationale and the planned field work;
6. The results interest and the practical fallout of the contributions.



Article 5. Conditions for submission

This award is intended for African postgraduate (masters and doctoral) students or young researchers (who have defended their doctoral thesis for less than 3 years), living in Africa or abroad, whose work relates to African contexts and is linked to security sector reform and good governance.

Article 6. Amount of the award

The award amounts to CFA 1.500.000.

In addition to the award, there will also be a publicity for the research project by the organizers of the “GENERAL LAMINE CISSE” DAYS, and for DCAF, who funded the prize.

Article 7. Composition of the award jury

The award jury is made up of members of the scientific committee of the symposium on “Integrity, ethics and good governance in the service of peace and security”, composed of representatives of the Etat Major Général des Armées, Partners West Africa, academics, DCAF and CHEDS representatives, and renowned personalities in the field of security and governance.

General Mohamadou Keita is the President of the scientific committee. The scientific committee shall determine, with respect to the hereby contest rules, the title of the prize and the conditions for granting the prize. The prize will be awarded by name to the winner.

Following the presentation of the award at the symposium organized on April 16, 2020, the scientific committee will issue minutes on the present contest rules, notifying the prize awarded, the title of the prize awarded, the amount of the prize, the conditions for payment of the prize, and the name of the winner. The minutes are signed by the President of the scientific committee.

Article 8. Application procedure

Applicants must follow the following application procedure:

- Send complete application file by email to Partners West Africa - Senegal: info@partnerswestafrica.org
- Application deadline: **March 15, 2021, at 23h59 GMT**

The application must contain the following documents:

- 1 CV (contact details, training, career and professional project, photo),
- 1 copy of the master’s transcript and/or thesis defense report signed by the members of the jury,
- 1 recommendation letter,



- 1 copy of research work (dissertation or thesis chapter, scientific article, etc.),
- 1 research project (10 pages), using .doc or .docx format, and including the following sections:
 - o Research interest,
 - o Research questions,
 - o Research methodology,
- In annex of the research project:
 - o Indicative bibliography,
 - o Research calendar,
 - o Estimated research budget.

Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted.

Article 9. Conditions for payment of the award to the winner

The winner of the award will have to fulfil the conditions for submission, as prescribed by the minutes provided for in article 7 of these contest rules, and will send the work within 12 months following the award of the prize by email to: info@partnerswestafrica.org

- Writing a 10.000 words article related to the topic of the funded research,
- Proposal for an oral contribution, which can be presented at the post-symposium scheduled for 2022 and organized by Partners West Africa – Senegal, or at a scientific event in collaboration with DCAF. The final results can be presented at the 2022 symposium organized by Partners West Africa – Senegal in collaboration with DCAF.

Article 10. Award calendar

15 December 2020: Publication of the contest rules

15 March 2021: Application deadline

27 March 2021: Meeting of the scientific committee and selection of candidates

16 April 2021: Presentation of the **General Lamine Cissé Award of Excellence**

April 2022: Transmission of requested scientific work

