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International e-Conference

### **New Frontiers of Terrorism in Africa**

Registration

Wednesday March 17, 2021 Time: 10:00-13:30 South Africa and Israel / 11:00 - 14:30 Moscow

#### Welcome Remarks

Professor Irina Abramova (Director of the Institute for Africa Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences)

#### **Opening Remarks**

Ambassador Ilya Igorevich Rogachev, HE Mr (Ambassador of the Russian Federation to South Africa)

Ambassador (Retd.) Haim Koren, HE Dr (Former Ambassador of the State of Israel to Egypt and South Sudan)

# Session 1: From Ocean to Ocean: Africa's Arch of Instability

**Chair:** Dr. Sergey Kostelyanets (Institute for African Studies)

Dr. Natalia A. Zherlitsina (Institute for African Studies) Counter-terrorism policies in North Africa: Morocco's approach

Professor Hussein Solomon (University of the Free State)
Terrorism in the Sahel: External vs Local Drivers

Dr. Tatyana S. Denisova (Institute for African Studies) Islamic Radicalism in Cameroon: Sources and the Prospects of Further Contagion

Dr Anneli Botha (University of the Free State) Assessing the status of addressing violent extremism in East Africa

### Session 2: The Cone of Africa: Challenges of Counterterrorism?

**Chair:** Dr. Glen Segell (University of the Free State)

Professor Vladimir G. Shubin (Institute for African Studies) National Liberation Movements in Southern Africa and Terrorism

Professor Theo Neethling (University of the Free State) Extremism in northern Mozambique: Why be concerned?

Mr Willem Els (University of the Free State / Institute for Security Studies, Pretoria) Mozambique, Cabo Delgado insurgency: Extraordinary mineral resources and liquid natural gas, a blessing that may be a curse or are we missing the point?

Professor Abel Esterhuyse (South African Military Academy) Terrorism and the South African security predicament: Making sense of the objective realities

# Session 3: Terrorist Strategies and International Responses

**Chair:** Professor Hussein Solomon (University of the Free State)

Professor Leonid L. Fituni (Institute for African Studies)
Terrorist Financing in Africa Under the New Normality
of a Post-Pandemic World

Dr. Alta Grobbelaar (University of the Free State) Africa's Online terror: The increased reliance of African terrorist organizations on Social Media

Dr. Glen Segell (University of the Free State / Ezri Center, University of Haifa) Exporting religion from the Middle East – Importing ideology and terror into Africa

Dr. Sergey Kostelyanets (Institute for African Studies) Russia's Approaches to Terrorism and Counterinsurgency in Africa: Evaluation and Prospects

Dr. Moshe Terdiman (Research on Islam and Muslims in Africa (RIMA) / Ezri Center, University of Haifa) The Environment as a tool for terrorist organizations in Africa

Q&A at end of conference by submitting written questions via Chat only