



**CONSULTATIVE WORKSHOP ON CONFLICT PREVENTION
AU-CEWS AND CSOS IN THE HORN AND EAST AFRICA REGION**

**10-11 May 2018
African Union Commission Head Quarters
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia**

AGENDA

DAY ONE: Thursday, 10th MAY 2018

Venue: African Union Commission Headquarters, Committee Room 2, Old Conference Building

08:30 – 09:00 Registration of Participants

09:00 – 09:15 Welcome and Opening

- Amb. Fred Ngoga Gateretse, Head, Conflict Prevention and Early Warning Division (CPEWD)
- Mr. Florian Koch, Director, AU Cooperation, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung

09:15 – 09:20 Introduction to Program

09:20 – 09:30 What is CPEWD? *CEWS, AUBP, Preventive Diplomacy*

09:30 – 10 :45 **Session I: Existing Conflict Prevention & Early Warning Mechanisms: Engagement with CSOs**

Moderator: CEWS

Panelists:

- Shewit Hailu, CEWS
- Sebene Negussie, CEWARN
- Raymond Kitevu, COMESA
- Christine Mutimura-Wekesa, EAC

Guiding Questions:

1. What is the status of operationalization of the conflict prevention and early warning mechanisms of the AU and the RECs?
2. What roles do the CSOs play in early warning and conflict prevention of the sub-region?
3. What kind of modalities for information exchange exist? How is such collaboration maintained and sustained? What are the gaps of CSOs engagement?

10:45 – 11:00 **Coffee Break**

11:00 – 13:00 **Session II: Update on the State of Peace and Security in the Horn and East Africa Region**

Moderator: Ambassador Fred Ngoga, Head CPEWD

Panelists: (10 minutes each)

- Dr. Wafula Okumu
- Dr. Belete Belachew, CDRC
- Peter Edopu, PSIA
- Dr. Anita Kiamba, Centre for Human Rights and Peace (University of Nairobi)

Guiding Questions:

1. What are the existing and emerging peace and security challenges in the horn region?

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch Break

14:00 – 15:15 Session III: Conflict Monitoring Tools and Modalities utilized by CEWS

Presenter: Taye Abdulkedir, CEWS

Presentations on Conflict Monitoring and Africa Reporter

15:15 – 15:30 Coffee Break

15:30 – 16:30 Session III Cont'd: Exchange of views

DAY TWO: Friday, 11th MAY 2018

Venue: African Union Commission Headquarters, Committee Room 2, Old Conference Building

**09:00 – 10:45 Session IV: WANEP Conflict Prevention and Peace Building Approach:
what are the best practices and lessons learnt?**

Moderator: Florian Koch, FES

Presenters: Edwige Mensah and Ifeanyi Okechukwu, WANEP

Exchange of views

Guiding Questions:

1. How are CSOs involved in the the conflict prevention process of WANEP?
2. How does WANEP collect and disseminate information and data to and from CSOs?
3. What are the best practices of WANEP engagement with ECOWAS and AU?
4. How does the management, maintenance and sustainability of WANEP collaboration with ECOWAS, AU, and CSOs look like?

10:45 – 11:00 Coffee Break

11:00 – 13:00 Session V: The Way Forward for CSO Engagement in the Horn Region for Conflict Prevention

Moderator: Shewit Hailu, CEWS and Florian Koch, FES

Panelists (10 min each):

- *Dr. Mehari Taddele Maru*
- Professor Philip Kasaija, Makerere University
- Albashir Mohammed, Afrika Youth Movement
- Osman Moallim, Somali Youth Development Network (CEWERU)
- Edmund Yakani, CEPO

Guiding Questions:

1. What kind of mechanisms/modalities are needed to engage CSOs in data collection, thematic research and other relevant areas? How can this mechanisms be further sustained and maintained?
2. What challenges may inhibit effective engagement with CSOs?
3. How can the AU and the RECs harmonize their collaborations with CSOs?
4. How can the CSOs be aligned in one process to contribute to the conflict prevention endeavor in the region?

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch Break

14.00 – 15.30 Session V Continued

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee Break

16:00 – 16:30 Concluding Remarks and Closing Session

- Amb. Fred Ngoga Gateretse, Head CPEWD
- Mr. Florian Koch, Director, AU Cooperation, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung

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