### THEME: Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism in the COVID-19 Era

SVNP Eastern Africa Policy Conference Programme 7-8 December 2020, Crowne Plaza Hotel Nairobi, Kenya

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| 09:00-10:50 | **Session 1: Opening Ceremony**  
- Moderator: Helen Kezie-Nkwoba, Director, Women’s International Peace Centre, Uganda  
- Chair: Prof. Crispus Kiamba, Chair ATPS Board of Directors  
- Welcoming Remarks from ATPS on Behalf of E/Africa Partners – Dr. Nicholas Ozor, Executive Director, African Technology Policy Studies Network (ATPS)  
- Welcoming Remarks from Wilson Centre - Dr. Monde Muyangwa, Director, Africa Program Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars  
- Keynote Address: “Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism in the COVID-19 Era”- by Onno Koopmans, Regional PCVE Coordinator East Africa, Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, Nairobi, Kenya.  
- Official Opening by the Chief Guest of Honour - The Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Interior and Coordination of National Government, Dr. Fred Matiangi, EGH. | **Chair: Rt. Col. Joseph Nyamita**  
County Executive Committee Member, Migori County, Kenya  
**Recap of Day 1 Activities by Mr. Alfred Nyambane**, ATPS Researcher  
**Session 5: Thematic Paper Presentations:**  
- Violent Extremism in the context of COVID-19: Issues, Impacts and Lessons, Dr. Fredrick Ogenga, CMDPS  
- Strengthening Eastern Africa’s capacity for PCVE: Options for the Way Forward, Mr. Basabose Denis, Commissioner of Police, Rwanda  
- Regional Mechanisms in Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism: Policy options for Eastern Africa - Eugenia Kayatesi, IPAR, Rwanda; and Yonas Adaye Adeto, IPSS  
- The Place of Technology in Violent Extremism in Africa: Promoting Or Countering ? Prof. Walter Oyawa, NACOSTI  
**Facilitated Discussions - All delegates** |
| 10:50 – 11:00 | **GROUP PHOTO AND HEALTH BREAK** | **HEALTH BREAK** |
| 11:00 – 12:00 | **Session 2: Perspectives from the Opening Keynote Address**  
Chair: Dr Nicholas Ozor, ATPS  
Speakers:  
- US Policymaker TBC  
- Ambassador Martin Kimani, Director, National Counterterrorism Centre, Kenya  
- Dr. Fredrick Ogenga, Center for Media, Democracy, Peace & Security (CMDPS)-Rongo University  
- Elly Opondo, Program Director Champions of Peace  
- Gerald Wandera, Director, National Crime Research Center (NCRC), Kenya  
- Prof. Walter Oyawa, DG National Commission for Science and Technology (NACOSTI) | **Chair: Bundi Mbaya, National Crime Research Center (NCRC)**  
**Session 6: Thematic Paper Presentations:**  
- The Role of Youth in Countering Violent Extremism in Eastern Africa, Eli Opondo, Champions of Peace; and Kennedy Walusala, Regional Youth Forum for ICGLR  
- Challenges in preventing/countering terrorism and violent extremism in Africa, Helen Kezie-Nkwoba, WIPC, Uganda  
- Religious radicalism and violent extremism in Africa, Syndoph Endoni, Nigeria High Commission, Nairobi, Kenya  
**Facilitated Discussions** |
| 12:00 – 13:00 | **Session 3: Facilitated Discussions**  
Chair: Dr. Nicholas Ozor, ATPS  
Speakers: All Delegates | **Session 7: High-level policy dialogue on PCVE in Eastern Africa**  
Chair: Prof Crispus Kiamba  
Panelists:** |
13:00 – 14:00  Session 4: Understanding Violent Extremism in Eastern Africa - Issues, Drivers, Facts and Figures  
Speaker: Mr Njenga Miiri, Head of Resilience National Counterterrorism Center, Kenya.  
Facilitated Q&A

14:00 - 15:00  LUNCH BREAK and End of Day One

End of Conference and Departure

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