



WCO Security Conference

African perspectives on security challenges

World Customs Organization

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11 to 12 December 2019

Agenda

Day 1 - Wednesday, 11 December 2019	
09:30 - 11:00	<p>Opening Session</p> <p>Mr. Francois Richard, France Customs</p> <p>Mrs. Ronke Olubiyi, Nigeria Customs</p> <p>Key note speakers</p> <p>Dr. Kunio Mikuriya, Secretary General, WCO</p> <p>Mr. Dicksons Kateshumbwa, Uganda Customs</p> <p>H.E. Mr. Shimokawa, Japanese Ambassador in Belgium</p>
	<p>Introduction and goals of the Conference</p> <p><i>Overview of the Conference and the WCO Security Programme</i></p> <p>Mr. James McColm, WCO Secretariat</p> <p>Mrs. Frederique Gautier, WCO Secretariat</p>
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee break



<p>11:30 - 12.30</p>	<p>Session 1 – Regional security and challenges posed by illicit trafficking (I)</p> <p><i>Security challenges in Africa</i></p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Etienne Sama II, Central Africa RILO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Counterfeit medicines in Africa</i>, Mr. Franck Pradier, Novartis • <i>Bio-Terrorism in Africa</i>, Dr. Fanny Ewann, INTERPOL • <i>Illicit trafficking of Tramadol: an increasing security and health threat in Africa</i>, Mr. Maurice Adefalou, WCO Secretariat
<p>12.30 - 14.30</p>	<p>Lunch</p>
<p>14:30 - 16.30</p>	<p>Session 2 - Regional security and challenges posed by illicit trafficking (II)</p> <p><i>Supporting C-IED efforts: threat and responses</i></p> <p>Moderator: Mrs. Frederique Gautier, WCO Secretariat</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>IED in Africa</i>, Mr. Michael Cardash, Terrogence • <i>African IED threat overview - AFRICOM perspective</i>, Mr. Timothy Noonan, AFRICOM, Defense Threat Reduction Agency, USA • <i>IED in the Sahel</i>, Mr. David Lochhead, Small Arms survey • <i>Counter-measures to prevent diversion of IED components and their use by terrorist groups: the experience of Nigeria</i>, Mr. Abdulrazaq Kazeem, Counter Terrorism Centre, Office of the National Security Adviser, Nigeria
<p>16:30 - 16.45</p>	<p>Coffee break</p>
<p>16:45 - 18.00</p>	<p>Session 3 – Deterioration of the security situation and its impact on Customs' mandate in Africa</p> <p><i>Speakers will present security threats over the past three years and address implications for Customs and border security</i></p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Stefan Kirsch, WCO Secretariat</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The positioning of modern Customs within the National and International Defense and Security Community</i>, Mr. Wullson Mvomo



	<p>Ela, Research and Documentation Center of the International School for Security Forces (EIFORCES), Cameroon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Technical developments in terror attacks</i>, Mr. Michael Whited, USA representative • <i>OPCW perspectives on Libyan situation</i>, Mrs. Lynn Hoggins, OPCW • <i>Evolving methods to disrupt terrorist supply chain</i>, Mr. Takahiro Araki, Japan Customs
18.00	Close of Day 1
18:00–19:30	Buffet Reception hosted by the Japanese Fund for the WCO Security Project
Day 2 - Thursday, 12 December 2019	
09.00 - 09.15	Summary of Day 1 (Chair)
09:15 - 11.00	<p>Session 4 – Panel: Exchanges on the challenges of illicit trafficking in the forthcoming decade</p> <p>Moderator: Mrs. Frederique Gautier, WCO Secretariat</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Supply chain and new trends of terrorist groups in IED components and Small Arms</i>, Mrs. Ashley Hamer, Conflict Armament Research • <i>Illicit gold panning and misappropriation of revenues by criminal groups</i>, Mr. Louis Marechal, OECD • <i>How satellites imagery can assist Customs</i>, Mr. Pascal Legai, European Space Agency
11:00-11.15	Coffee break
11:15 – 12:30	<p>Session 5 – Illicit financial flows and security impact in Africa</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Wale Adeniyi, Nigeria Customs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Project Tentacle</i>, Mr. David Kane, WCO Secretariat • <i>Funding sources for terrorist armed groups in the Great Lakes</i>



	<p><i>region</i>, Mr. Etienne Tabi Mbang, GABAC Directorate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Impact of armed groups on customs revenue in Central African Republic</i>, DG Frederic-Theodore Inamo, CAR Customs
12:30 -14.30	Lunch
14:30 - 16.00	<p>Session 6 – Feedback and best practices</p> <p><i>Case studies and experience sharing - African Customs Representatives</i></p> <p>Moderator: Mr. James McColm, WCO Secretariat</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Feedback of Burkina Faso on cooperation with other security forces</i>, Mr. Jean-Marie Kabore, Burkina Faso Customs • <i>Customs and control of the transport of strategic goods (explosives): the experience of Cameroon</i>, Mr. Quentin Dima, Cameroon Customs • <i>Building a STCE control capacity building: Kenya's experience</i>, Mr. Collins Bosire, Kenya Customs
16:00 - 16:30	Coffee break
16:30 - 17:30	<p>Session 7 – Summary and follow-up</p> <p><i>The session will provide an opportunity to take stock of the preceding discussions, as well as to assess the global security challenges faced by Customs and the respective responses. It will also provide an opportunity to discuss the way forward regarding the organizational responses required over the next three years.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Plenary discussion facilitated by the Conference Chair and the WCO Director for Compliance and Facilitation</i>
17 :30	End of Conference