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# Tackling complexities of child trafficking in Central and West Africa

**Date:** 21 May 2021    **Time:** 9:00 to 9:50 GMT+2

**Venue:** Virtual side event via Zoom, [registration](#) required

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Child trafficking is a booming illicit trade and a serious organised crime in many parts of the continent. In West and Central Africa, an array of social and economic factors contribute to the problem. Effective laws and policies, particularly for cross-border operations and responses in fragile and post-conflict settings, are also lacking. This seminar will examine current child trafficking trends and drivers in West and Central Africa. Speakers will also consider national and regional prevention strategies.

**Chair:** Oluwole Ojewale, Regional Organised Crime Observatory Coordinator – Central Africa, ENACT, ISS Dakar

**Opening remarks:** Lada Parizkova, Programme Officer, European Commission, Service for Foreign Policy Instruments

**Speakers:**

Mouhamadou Kane, Research Consultant, ISS Dakar

Yann Le Cloarec, Criminal Intelligence Analyst, INTERPOL, Abidjan

Baltazard Cesaire, Head, Interpol Criminal Analytical Unit, the Congo

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