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09.00-09.30 Registration of participants

09.30-10.00 Opening remarks

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10.00-11.30 1st Session

**THE SECURITY-MIGRATION-DEVELOPMENT NEXUS IN THE SAHEL:
A REALITY CHECK**

Introductory
remarks

CÉCILE KASHETU KYENGE

Member of the European Parliament

Chair

ULI RODGERS

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Speakers

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Chief of Mission to Ethiopia and Representative to the African Union, IGAD and UNECA, International Organization for Migration (IOM), Addis Ababa

AFRICAN UNION (AU) representative

11.30-12.00 Coffee break

12.00-13.30 **2nd Session**
LESSON LEARNED FROM NIGER, SENEGAL AND SUDAN: MIGRATION DYNAMICS

Chair **RAKEB ABATE**
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Speakers **DANDA MAHAMADOU**
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13.30-14.30 Buffet Lunch

14.30-16.00 **3rd Session**
LESSON LEARNED FROM NIGER, SENEGAL AND SUDAN: DEVELOPMENT AND SECURITY

Chair **MAKDA TESSEMA**
Democracy and Governance Fellow, African Governance Architecture /African Union, Addis Ababa

Speakers **SOULEYMANE SAGNA**
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SIMON RIDLEY
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BASHAIR AHMED
Executive Director, Shabaka Social Enterprise, London and Doctoral Researcher, University of Sussex, Brighton

16.00-16.30 Coffee break

16.30-18.00 **4th Session**
THE EU, THE US AND THE SAHEL REGION

Chair **TEWOLDE GEBREMESKEL (TBC)**
Director, Peace and Security, Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD),
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18.00-18.15 **Concluding remarks**

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