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Ministerial Side-event

Breaking barriers: Innovative approaches for advancing gender equality in Sahel security and justice



6.30 PM - 7.45 PM



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• **H.E. Ms. Allahoury Aminata Zourkaleini**, Minister for Women Promotion and Children Protection, Government of Niger

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• **H.E. Ms. Nandy Somé/Diallo**, Minister of Solidarity, Humanitarian Action, National Reconciliation, Gender and Family, Government of Burkina Faso

• **H.E. Ms. Amina Priscille Longoh**, Minister of Gender and National Solidarity, Government of Chad

• **H.E. Ms. Fatima Kyari Mohammed**, Ambassador/Permanent Observer of the African Union to the UN

• **Prof. Amadou Sall**, Head of the Youth, Gender, Counter Radicalization and Violent Extremism Division of the G5 Sahel

• **Ms. Diyé Ba**, Regional Coordinator of the G5 Sahel Women Network

• **Comm'r. Minata Traore**, President of the Association of Female Police Officers of the National Police of Burkina Faso (AFFPN-BF), Winner of the G5 Sahel Gender Award

• **Comm'r. Zakaria Hebie**, Secretary General of the Police Academy of Burkina Faso, Winner of the G5 Sahel Gender Award

• **Cmdr. Morou Hadiza**, Chief of the Central Unit for the Protection of Women and Minors, National Gendarmerie of Niger, Winner of the G5 Sahel Gender Award

• **Ms. Paivi Kannisto**, Chief of Peace and Security Division, UN Women

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Moderator: **Ms. Delphine Schantz**, Representative, UNODC New-York Liaison Office

Ministerial side-event description: *The event will tackle the obstacles and opportunities to increase the participation of Sahelian women in the security and justice sectors, in efforts to strengthen human security against terrorism and organized crime. The focus will be on utilizing innovative strategies to promote participation and challenge gender stereotypes and norms. The Gender Champions of the Sahel region will share best practices and advocate for greater representation of women in security and justice sectors in the Sahel for long-term sustainable peace and security.*