



Everyday Urban Violence and Security in the Maghreb

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Programme

09.00 – 09.30	Registration
09.30 – 09.45	Welcome by DIGNITY: Addressing urban violence in Maghreb - Why a DIGNITY focus area of 'Urban violence', by DIGNITY Director, Henrik Rønsbo. - Why are we working on 'Prevention of Urban Violence in the Maghreb', by DIGNITY program manager Ahlam Chemlali.
09.45 – 10.00	Opening address by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark: Sustainable Development Goals and the Middle East and North Africa.
10.00 – 10.10	Background speech by Steen Nørskov, journalist at the Danish Broadcast, former MENA senior correspondent, and moderator of the conference.
10.10 – 10.30	Key note by civil society: l'Art Rue and combatting violence in the Medina of Tunis , by Sanaa Moulali, director of monitoring and development, L'Art Rue.

Thematic panel I

10.30 – 11.30	SDG No. 11 'Sustainable Cities and Communities' in Tunisia and Morocco Moderator: Steen Nørskov This thematic panel will discuss questions such as: <i>Which everyday experiences and perceptions do urban residents have with regards to safety and violence? Why does youth engage in violence in Tunisia and Morocco?</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adnen El Ghali, Architect and urban planner, Ph.D. U.L.B: <i>Security and Violence in the Medina of Tunis - A Pilot Study.</i>• Mohammed Ali Ben Zina, Lecturer and researcher, Department of Sociology, Tunis University: <i>Tunisia's border towns and youth</i>• Line Richter, Postdoc, University of Copenhagen: <i>Migrant communities and everyday violence in a time of increased police-crackdowns in Moroccan towns.</i>
11.30 – 12.15	Lunch / refreshments

Thematic panel II

12.15 – 13.15	<p>SDG No. 5 ‘Gender Equality’ and urban violence and security</p> <p>Moderator: Steen Nørskov</p> <p>This thematic panel will discuss questions such as: <i>How is urban violence gendered? How and to what extent does it affect men and women differently? Which role can civil society play to support enhancement of urban security within a gender perspective?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mériam Cheikh, Marie Skłodowska-Curie fellow, University of Edinburgh: <i>Urban changes, gender order and policing in Morocco, Tangier and Kenitra.</i>• Naima Fkih, PhD, Regional directorate of social affairs, Municipality of Kebili: <i>The fight against violence against women: legal processes and civil society in the southern parts of Tunisia.</i>• Hajer Araissia, Post.doc, Faculty of Humanities and Social Science in Tunis: <i>Violence against sub-Saharan migrant women at work in Tunisia.</i>
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Thematic panel III

13.15 – 14.30	<p>SDG No. 16 ‘Peace, justice and strong institution’</p> <p>Moderator: Steen Nørskov</p> <p>This thematic panel will discuss questions such as: <i>which relationships exists between the state and urban citizens with regards to safety and violence? How should institutions and the security sector handle urban violence and security? How can citizens, civil society and public institutions cooperate to enhance security?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Souhail Belhadj, Post.doc, Centre on Conflict, Development, and Peacebuilding (CCDP), Geneva: <i>Cooperation potentials between citizens and institutions in Tunisia: first findings from a pilot research.</i>• Moncef Sliti, Engineer, urban planning, municipality council of Ariana, Tunis: <i>The contribution of the local institutions to enhancement of urban security.</i>• Amine Ghali, Director, Kawakibi Democracy Transition Center: <i>Security Sector Reform - engaging civil society in their communities.</i>• Maxime Poulin, Deputy head of mission, DCAF: <i>Security Sector Reform.</i>
14.30 – 14.45	Coffee break

Round table

14.45 – 15.45	<p>(Re)Thinking the role of Danish support for ‘Sustainable cities and Communities’ in the Maghreb?</p> <p>Moderator: Steen Nørskov</p> <p>In this round table discussion each participant gives a 3 minutes answer to the key questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>How can donors and foreign CSOs contribute to a safer world, inclusive societies and rights for all for urban residents in the Maghreb region through partnerships with local civil society, municipal and governmental agencies and the international development and human rights world?</i> <p>The initial answers are followed by a debate among the participants and the audience can contribute with input and questions to the round table panel.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sanaa Moulali, Director of Monitoring and Development, L’association L’Art Rue• Amine Ghali, Director, Kawakibi Democracy Transition Center• Maxime Poulin, Deputy Head of Mission, DCAF - Contrôle démocratique des forces armées• Mikkel Aagaard Harder, Programme Development and Partnership Manager, PlanBørnefonden• Henrik Rønsbo, PhD, DIGNITY Director• Marie Diernisse Langsted, director of MENA programme, Danner Denmark
15.45 – 15.55	Closing Remarks DIGNITY Director, PhD, Henrik Rønsbo