



**ISS PRESENTATION TO THE EAPCCO 8<sup>TH</sup> AGM  
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**Honourable Chiefs of Police  
Distinguished Delegates  
Ladies and Gentlemen**

**1. Introduction**

Allow me to take this opportunity to congratulate EAPCCO for successfully convening this 8<sup>th</sup> AGM. I would also like to applaud the outgoing chairperson, Major General Mohamed Hussein Ali, the Commissioner of Police of Kenya for steering EAPCCO's activities during the past year, and congratulate the incoming chairperson, Kale Kayihura, the Ugandan Inspector General of Police, on assuming responsibility to lead EAPCCO into the immediate future. I would also like to extend our gratitude to the organizers for inviting us to this momentous occasion.

My presentation here today is to highlight the areas of current cooperation, and potential of future engagements between EAPCCO and ISS.

As you might be aware, the Institute for Security Studies is an independent regional think tank that focuses on peace and human security issues in Africa. The Institute is an African non-profit trust whose work is project driven and funded by a range of donors.

The vision of the institute is of a stable and peaceful Africa, characterized by human rights, rule of law, democracy and collaborative security. Our mission is to conceptualise, inform and enhance the security debate in and on Africa through independent applied research and analysis, impacting on policy, raising awareness, monitoring trends and policy implementation, and providing implementation support. We adopt a broad approach to security that is generally termed human security. This approach places an emphasis on individuals, placing them at the centre of our research, discussions and work. At the same time we recognize that the security of ordinary people cannot be

achieved without a capable and accountable state. The vast majority of our work therefore occurs in support of and in partnership with organizations such as EAPCCO, RECSA and IGAD.

## **2. ISS Programmes and Projects**

From our offices in Addis Ababa, Cape Town, Nairobi and Pretoria the Institute currently runs 10 programmes that focus on different issues. These include:

- African Security Analysis Programme – the tracking and analysis of conflict in Africa on an ongoing and daily basis.
- Defence Sector Programme - dealing with civil military relations and defence transformation issues.
- Crime and Justice Programme – dealing with the criminal justice system and the extent of crime
- Training for Peace – a programme that provides training and research for civilian participation in peace operations.
- Arms Management Programmes – that deals with small arms, conventional arms and land mines.
- Corruption and Governance Programme – looking at both corporate and public sector corruption and governance matters
- Organised Crime and Money Laundering Programme – working with a number of African governments to strengthen measures to understand and counter organized crime and money laundering.
- Advancing human security in Southern Africa – a programme that largely works towards SADC and civil society organizations in Southern Africa to support the aims and objectives of the SADC Organ on Politics, Defence and Security Cooperation.
- The IGAD Counter Terrorism Implementation Programme known as ICPAT where the ISS serves as technical implementation agency. This is located in Addis Ababa.
- A programme to complement the NEPAD APRM process to review the nature of crime and the criminal justice system in five countries scheduled to undergo APRM review in the near future. This is located in Nairobi.

The Institute also carries out other smaller projects such as: HIV/AIDS and security in southern Africa; support to the peace process in Burundi; various short term projects in support of components of the African Standby Force, the Continental Early Warning System, etc. We are entirely staffed by Africans from some 12 countries and work in support of the continental agenda on peace and security issues.

## **4. Collaboration between ISS and EAPCCO**

The ISS and EAPCCO have fostered strong partnership through a number of engagements that are enhanced by our offices in Nairobi and Addis Ababa.

Some of our current engagements with EAPCCO are as follows:

- The ISS sponsored and actively participated in the successful regional meetings in 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006, which together with EAPCCO and other stakeholders developed a draft "Protocol on the Prevention, Combating and Eradication of Cattle Rustling in Eastern Africa". The outcome of the third regional meeting was a final draft, which we hope will be deliberated upon by the principals of EAPCCO for adoption and eventual ratification by the member states. As a follow up to this work we hope to support various measures in the region relating to the combating of cattle rustling and sensitization programme.
- The ISS fully supports the activities of EAPCCO relating to small arms and light weapons through collaboration in terms of the Nairobi protocol on Small Arms and Light Weapons as well as the Bamako Declaration of 2000 on Africa's common position on Small Arms. We are currently engaged with EAPCCO and RECSA on how to continue and expand our work in this regard.
- In April 2006, the ISS successfully supported civilian police peacekeeping training to EAPCCO. Further training is scheduled for November 2006 and there is much scope for the expansion of our training support to the police dimensions of peacekeeping for EASBRIG as part of the ASF, and developing of material on peacekeeping activities for general use.
- Representatives from EAPCCO, ISS and LATF have met on a number of occasions during the past year to develop a draft joint research project into wildlife and environmental crime in Eastern and Central Africa and proposed measures to combat it. The draft proposal will be submitted to EAPCCO and LATF for consideration and approval before proceeding.
- We also hope to engage with EAPCCO on how to assess the nature, extent and impact of organized crime in the region, including the development and implementation of legislation and in particular assisting with the comprehensive regional research of motor vehicle theft.

Finally, I would like to reiterate the ISS appreciation for the invitation to make a presentation at EAPCCO's 8<sup>th</sup> AGM and look forward to our future cooperation.

**Thank you for your attention.**

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