

**PBC ANNUAL SESSION - 2018**  
**“Peacebuilding and sustaining peace in the Sahel region”**  
**12 November 2018**  
**ECOSOC Chamber**

**Opening session: 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

- Opening remarks: Chair of the PBC - H.E. Dr. Ion Jinga
- Opening remarks: Deputy Secretary General - H.E. Ms. Amina Mohammed
- Vice-President of the General Assembly – Permanent Representative of Burkina Faso  
H.E. Mr. Yemdaogo Eric Tiare
- President of the Security Council – Permanent Representative of China  
H.E. Mr. Ma Zhaoxu
- President of ECOSOC - H.E. Inga Rhonda King
- Permanent Representative of Niger (Chair of G5 Sahel) - H.E. Mr. Abdallah Wafy

**Interactive working session (1): 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**Partnership with key stakeholders at strategic and operational levels for coherent international support to the Sahel region.**

**Moderator:** Special Adviser of the Secretary-General for the Sahel – Mr. Ibrahim Thiaw

***Speakers***

- G5 Permanent Secretary – Mr. Maman Sidikou
- AU High Representative for the Sahel – H.E. Mr. Pierre Buyoya
- Representative Civil Society (1) from the Sahel

**Interactive working session (2): 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Empowering youth and women as agents of peacebuilding and sustaining peace in the Sahel region.**

**Moderator:** UN Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth – Ms. Jayathma Wickramanayake

***Speakers***

- Deputy Executive Director UN Women – Ms. Åsa Regnér
- Member of Parliament and Mayor of Dori, Burkina Faso – Mr. Ahmed Aziz Diallo
- Representative Civil Society (2) from the Sahel

**Closing session: 5:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.**

- Concluding remarks by PBC Chair