



**MASHARIKI RESEARCH AND  
POLICY CENTRE (MRPC)**

**Launch of the Inaugural  
Mashariki Security Journal**

**Peace and Security in Eastern  
Africa: Issues, Challenges,  
and Prospects**

**Safari Park Hotel, Nairobi, Kenya  
27<sup>th</sup> February 2025  
9:00am - 2:30pm**



**PROGRAMME**

TIME	ACTIVITY	RESPONSIBLE
8:30am - 9:00am	Arrival, Registration and Refreshment	MRPC Team
<b>Session 1: Opening Session</b>		
9:00am - 9:05am	Introductory Remarks	<b>Dr. John Mwangi, PhD</b> - MRPC
9:05am - 9:10 am	Chief Executive Officer Remarks	<b>Brig. (Rtd) Dr. Robert G. Kabage, PhD, EBS,</b> - Chief Executive Officer of MRPC
9:10am - 9:15am	Board Member Reflections	<b>Dr. Ruth Kagia, MBS, CBS</b> - Board Member, MRPC
9:15am - 9:25am	Remarks	<b>Mr. Jacob Narengo</b> Ministry of Interior and National Administration
9:25am - 9:35am	Remarks	<b>Dr. Abraham Korir Sing'Oei, PhD, CBS</b> Ministry of Foreign and Diaspora Affairs
9:35am - 9:55am	Keynote Address	<b>Hon. Amb. (Dr) Monica Juma (Oxon), EGH, CBS</b> National Security Advisor to President of the Republic of Kenya
9:55am - 10:00am	Launch of Mashariki Security Journal	<b>Hon. Amb. (Dr) Monica Juma (Oxon), EGH, CBS</b> National Security Advisor to President of the Republic of Kenya
10:00am - 10:25am	<b>Photo Session &amp; Health Break</b>	

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10:25am - 10:30 am	Moderator Reflections	Dr. Willis Okumu, PhD
<b>Session 2 - State Fragility &amp; Transnational Threats</b>		
10:30am - 10:40am	Unwilling or Unable? Assessing the AU and IGAD Responses in Resolving Sudan and Ethiopia Conflicts	Dr. Saul Marigat, PhD
10:40am - 10:50am	Revisiting the Ethiopia-Eritrea Border Conflict: Impacts of the Tigray War on Regional Stability	Abraham Ename Minko (Virtual), Istanbul, Türkiye
10:50am - 11:00am	Sudan's Civil War: A Critical Appraisal of Conflict Responses (2023-2024)	Mr. Shem Siteki
11:00am - 11:10am	The Mental Toll of the Tigray War in Ethiopia: Unaddressed Trauma and Its Impacts on Peace-building	Ms. Rabia Abdi
11:10am - 11:20am	Q&A	
11:20am - 11:30am	<b>Health Break</b>	
<b>Session 3 - Political Economy &amp; Governance</b>		
11:30am - 11:40am	Analysis of Kenya's Economic Security Debt and Governance Nexus (2001-2023)	Ms. Susan Handa
11:40am - 11:50am	Addressing challenges and advancing growth: How can BRICS+Membership benefit Ethiopia?	Dr. Ijuye-Dagogo, S. Charles, PhD (Virtual), Nigeria

TIME	ACTIVITY	RESPONSIBLE
11:50am - 12:00pm	Challenging Narratives: Youth Activism and the Reconceptualisation of Patriotism in Eastern Africa	Ms. JaneJean Jebiwot Too
12:00pm - 12:10pm	Digital Democracy Dilemmas during Kenya's 2022 General Elections: Disinformation, Hate Messages and Digitally-enabled Security Threats	Dr. Peter Kirui, PhD
12:10pm - 12:20pm	Q&A	
<b>Session 4 - Official Launch</b>		
12:20pm - 12:30pm	Launch of Mashariki Revamped Website	Dr. Ruth Kagia, MBS, CBS - Board Member, MRPC
12:30pm - 12:40pm	Closing Remarks	Amb. David Gacheru - Board Member, MRPC
12:40pm - 2:30pm	<b>Networking Lunch</b>	



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