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Citizenship: Canadian

Bilingual Profile: English: Fluent; French: Fluent

Work Experience

Research Lead, *Supporting Stabilization in Mali Programme* – Adam Smith International, September 2019 – Present

- Manage the research activities of a team of seven local researchers
- Conduct qualitative and quantitative research on conflict and security dynamics in Mali
- Produce political economy and actor mapping analyses for the British Government and the UN Multi-Dimensional Stabilization Mission in Mali Mobile Task Force (MINUSMA-MTF)
- Provide bi-weekly strategic briefings to senior diplomats at the British Embassy in Bamako

Conflict Advisor, *Peace and Conflict Advisory Unit* – Global Affairs Canada, July – November 2019

- Coordinated and facilitated the Canadian Integrated Conflict Analysis Process (CICAP) for the Government of Canada on the conflict in South Sudan
- Coordinated and facilitated the Government of Canada's Integrated Peace and Security Plan (IPSP) to address the conflict in South Sudan
- Provided policy advice and conflict sensitivity analysis on stabilization issues in Africa (Mali, Niger, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Central African Republic, South Sudan)
- Provided analysis and support to the Stabilization Leaders Forum

Research Fellow, *Käte Hamburger Kolleg – Centre for Global Cooperation Research*, University of Duisburg-Essen, May 2018 – April 2019 (€51,600 Annual Research Stipend)

- Project Title: *African Security and Global Militarism*

Post-Doctoral Fellowship, *Centre Franco-Paix in Conflict Resolution and Peace Missions*, University of Quebec in Montreal, September 2016 – March 2018

- Project Title: *Stabilizing Mali: Challenges of Conflict Resolution*
 - Coordinated the research activities of a team of eight senior scholars
 - Provided a comprehensive conflict analysis of the crisis in Mali and the Sahel region to Global Affairs Canada (GAC)
 - Produced grant proposals
 - Wrote analyses for publication in internationally ranked academic journals
 - Briefed and provided policy advice to Global Affairs Canada, and the Department of National Defense (DND)

Adjunct Professor, University of Ottawa, School of Political Studies

- January – May 2018, *Advanced Topics in Critical Security & War Studies*, POL 4191
- January – May 2016, *Political Violence*, POL 3162
- September – December 2015, *Géopolitiques Contemporaines*, POL 4526
- January – May 2015, *Théories et dynamiques en Relations Internationales*, POL 4730
- September – December 2014, *Les Politiques de la Sécurité*, POL 4524
- September – December 2013, *Theories and Problems in International Relations*, POL 4330

List of Publications

Peer Reviewed Articles

- Sandor, Adam. 2021. "Militarism, or Transnational Security Clientelism in Mali? Appropriating Counter-Terrorism Practices in Sahelian Borderlands." *International Political Sociology*.
(Revise and Resubmit)
- Malejacq, Romain, and Adam Sandor. 2020. "Sahelistan? The Risks and Politics of Comparing Afghanistan and Mali's Armed Conflicts." *Civil Wars* 22(4): 543-566.
- Sandor, Adam. 2020. "The Power of Rumour(s) in International Interventions: MINUSMA's management of Mali's Rumour Mill." *International Affairs* 96(4): 913-934.
- Charbonneau, Bruno and Adam Sandor. 2019. "Power and Comparative Methods: Performing the Worlds of Armed Conflict." *Civil Wars* 21(4): 437-447.
- Linnéa Gelot and Adam Sandor. 2019. "African Security and Global Militarism: Introduction." *Conflict, Security & Development* 19(6): 521-542.
- Sandor, Adam, and Aurélie Campana. 2018. "Les groupes djihadistes maliens, acteurs de la gouvernance local." *Canadian Journal of African Studies* 53(3): 415-430.
- Hameiri, Shahar, Lee Jones, and Adam Sandor. 2018. "Security Governance and the Politics of State Transformation: Moving from Description to Explanation." *Journal of Global Security Studies* 3(4): 463-482.
- Frowd, Philippe M., and Adam Sandor. 2018. "Militarism and its Limits: Sociological Insights on Security Assemblages in the Sahel." *Security Dialogue* 49(1-2): 70-82.
- Sandor, Adam. 2016. "Border Security and Drug-Trafficking in Senegal: Global Security Assemblages and AIRCOP." *Journal of Intervention and Statebuilding* 10(4): 490-512.
- Sandor, Adam. 2016. "Tightly Packed: Disciplinary Power, the UNODC, and the Container Control Programme in Dakar." *African Studies Review* 59(2): 133-160.

Chapters in Peer Reviewed Books

- Sandor, Adam. 2018. "World Drug Day and Visual Rituals of Security in West Africa." In *Visual Security Studies: Sights and Spectacles of Insecurity and War*, edited by Rune Saugmann Andersen and Juha Vuori, pp. 91-113. London: Routledge.
- Abrahamsen, Rita, and Adam Sandor. 2018. "The Global South and International Security." In *Oxford Handbook of International Security*, edited by Alexandra Gheciu and William C. Wohlforth, pp. 382-396. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
- Sandor, Adam. 2016. "4x4s." In *Making Things International: Catalysts and Reactions*, edited by Mark B. Salter, pp. 338-355. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press.

Unpublished Reports

- Sandor, Adam. 2021. "Elite Bargains and Political Deals in Mali's Transition." Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office, London: United Kingdom.
- Sandor, Adam. 2020. "Turning point? Mali's potential dialogue with Jihadists." Policy Brief. Montréal: Centre FrancoPaix en Résolution des Conflits et Missions de Paix, Université du Québec à Montréal (UQÀM). Available at: https://dandurand.uqam.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/Bulletin-FrancoPaix-vol5n2_en_version-finale.pdf

- Sandor, Adam. 2019. "Institutions for Peace in Mali: Learning from Peacebuilding in Niger." Policy Brief. Montréal: Centre FrancoPaix en Résolution des Conflits et Missions de Paix, Université du Québec à Montréal (UQÀM). Available at: https://dandurand.uqam.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/2019_02_05_Policy-Brief-Sandor_EN.pdf
- Bruno Charbonneau, Adam Sandor, with Jonathan Sears. 2018. *Stabiliser le Mali: Les Défis de la Résolution des Conflits: Rapport du Projet Mali*. Montréal: Centre FrancoPaix en Résolution des Conflits et Missions de Paix, Université du Québec à Montréal (UQÀM).
- Sandor, Adam. 2017. *Insecurity, the Breakdown of Social Trust, and Armed Actor Governance in Central and Northern Mali: A Stabilizing Mali Project Preliminary Report*. Montréal: Centre FrancoPaix en Résolution des Conflits et Missions de Paix, Université du Québec à Montréal (UQÀM).
- Charbonneau, Bruno, Emmanuel Goffi, Adam Sandor, Jonathan Sears, and Julien Tourreille. 2016. *Quels futurs pour le maintien de la paix et la gouvernance sécuritaire en Afrique? Ordre, violence et légitimité: Rapport de recherche #2*. Montréal: Centre FrancoPaix en Résolution des Conflits et Missions de Paix, Université du Québec à Montréal (UQÀM).

Awards and External Research Funding

Research Fellow, Käte Hamburger Kolleg – Centre for Global Cooperation Research, University of Duisburg-Essen, May 2018 – April 2019

- €51,600 Annual Research Stipend
- Project Title: Governing the Borderlands: Transnational Security Initiatives in Africa

Connection Grant (with co-organizer, Bruno Charbonneau), Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, Canada, for *The Politics of Comparing Armed Conflicts and Interventions* (Awarded 4 July 2017)

- \$22,437, Workshop; 13 October 2017

Post-Doctoral Fellowship, Centre FrancoPaix in Conflict Resolution and Peace Missions, University of Quebec in Montreal (Awarded 1 September 2016)

- \$64,125 + Fieldwork Expenses, from 1 September 2016 to 31 March 2018.

ISA-Canada Graduate Student Paper Prize,

For paper, "Border Security and Drug-Trafficking in West Africa: Global Security Assemblages and AIRCOP." (Awarded 27 March 2014).

- \$500 USD

Public Safety Canada – Government of Canada, Kanishka Research Affiliate Programme Grant (Awarded 1 July 2014). In support of Doctoral Dissertation.

- \$9,520

Centre for International Governance Innovation (CIGI) Africa Initiative Research Grant (Awarded 1 May 2012), For Doctoral Dissertation Project "Assemblages of Intervention: Politics, Security, and Drug Trafficking in West Africa."

- \$10,000

Ontario Graduate Scholarship (OGS), University of Ottawa- Sept. 2010 to August 2015

- \$60,000

Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies Excellence Scholarship, University of Ottawa- Sept. 2010 to Sept. 2014

- \$11,006

Faculty of Social Sciences Doctoral Admissions Scholarship, University of Ottawa- Sept. 2009 to 31 August 2014

- \$12,500

Marie Curie Research Fellow, Aberystwyth, UK – September 2007 to September 2008

- £31,000.

Invited Research Positions

- **Post-Doctoral Research Fellow**, The Centre for Global Cooperation Research, University of Duisberg-Essen, Germany, 1 April 2018 – 31 March 2019
- **Visiting Fellow**, International Development Department, University of Birmingham, August 2016.

Impact and Public Engagement

- Interview with CTV on the murder of Kirk Woodman, Canadian Mining Executive, 17 January 2019.
- Briefing to Canada's Ministry of National Defense, Ottawa, Canada, 21 September 2018.
- Interviews with media outlets: Canadian Broadcasting Corporation; British Broadcasting Corporation (Radio 1); El-Watan; Los Angeles Times (<http://www.latimes.com/world/africa/la-fg-africa-niger-us-military-20171021-story.html>)
- Testimony given to the Liberal Party of Canada Human Rights Caucus, chaired by Member of Parliament, Majid Jowari, Ottawa, Canada, 29 November 2016.
- Presentation "Porous Borders as International Resource: Policing Borderless Threats in West Africa," presented at the Crisis in the Sahel and West Africa Conference, Department of Intelligence and Security Services, The Kingdom of the Netherlands, The Hague, 17 November 2016.
- Presentation on Islam and Armed Groups in the Sahel, Presented at the Canadian Security and Intelligence Services (CSIS), Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, 14 October 2016.
- Contributed to the fieldwork research and writing of the Mid-Term Review of the European Union Counter-Terrorism in the Sahel Project
http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/documents/mid-term-review-ct-sahel-2014-final-report_en.pdf
- Conducted qualitative fieldwork in Mali and Niger for Report *People's Perspectives of Organized Crime in West Africa and the Sahel*, 16 April 2014.
<https://issafrica.org/publications/papers/peoples-perspectives-of-organised-crime-in-west-africa-and-the-sahel>

Invited Talks and Academic Participation

- Paris, France – "Militarism, or Transnational Security Clientelism in Mali? Appropriating Counter-Terrorism Practices in Sahelian Borderlands," presented at the Université Paris I – Sorbonne, 7 November 2018.
- Duisburg, Germany – "Militarism, or Transnational Security Clientelism in Mali? Appropriating Counter-Terrorism Practices in Sahelian Borderlands," presented at the University of Duisburg-Essen, 4 July 2018.
- Uppsala, Sweden – "African Security or Unbridled Militarization? New Approaches to African Peace and Security Governance," presented at the Nordic Africa Institute, 22-23 November 2018
- Gothenburg, Sweden – "Militarism and its Limits: Sociological Insights of Assemblages of Intervention in the Sahel," presented at School of Global Studies, University of Gothenburg, 16 March 2017
- Berlin, Germany – "'We need night-vision goggles': Security and Clientelism in the Sahel's

global security assemblage,” presented at “Transnational Clientelism Workshop”, Freie Universität Berlin, 18-20 June 2015

- Turku, Finland – “‘Will they see how high the flames dance?’: World Drug Day and Visual Rituals of Securitization in West Africa,” presented at the Visual Aspects of Security Workshop, University of Turku, December 2014

Education

- 2015 Ph.D. in Political Science, University of Ottawa,
Thesis Title: “Assemblages of Intervention: Politics, Security, and Drug Trafficking in West Africa”.
Examinations: International Relations (Pass with Exam Distinction); Comparative Politics (Pass with Exam Distinction)
Supervisor: Professor Rita Abrahamsen
Examination Committee: Professor Will Reno; Professor Michael C. Williams; Dr. Cedric Jourde; Dr. Miguel de Larrinaga
- 2008 Masters of Economics and Social Sciences in Citizenship and Security: European and Global Dimensions, with Distinction, Aberystwyth University,
- 2006 Bachelor of Social Science with Honours in International Development and Globalization, University of Ottawa, cum laude.

Service to the University and Discipline

- **Assistant to the Editor of *Security Dialogue* (November 2015-June 2018):** I ensured the smooth functioning of *Security Dialogue* by assisting its current Editor, Professor Mark B. Salter. This included making an initial assessment of suitability for all journal submissions; Taking minutes for Associate Editorial Board Meetings; Ensuring that decisions made are implemented; Provided logistical support for journal events; Drafted rejection letters and provided feedback to prospective authors.
- **African Politics Conference Group – Lynne Rienner Best Dissertation Award Committee:** Assessed eight dissertations and evaluated their contribution(s) to the study of African politics for the 2016-year award.
- Organized and prepared logistical requirements for the ‘New Methods in Critical Security Studies Workshop’ sponsored by SSHRC (March 2011), including management of University of Ottawa reimbursement to visiting researchers, catering, travel logistics.
- Served as the PhD Representative for the School of Political Studies Hiring Committee, University of Ottawa