

DDR Section Knowledge Management Services Activity Report



2025

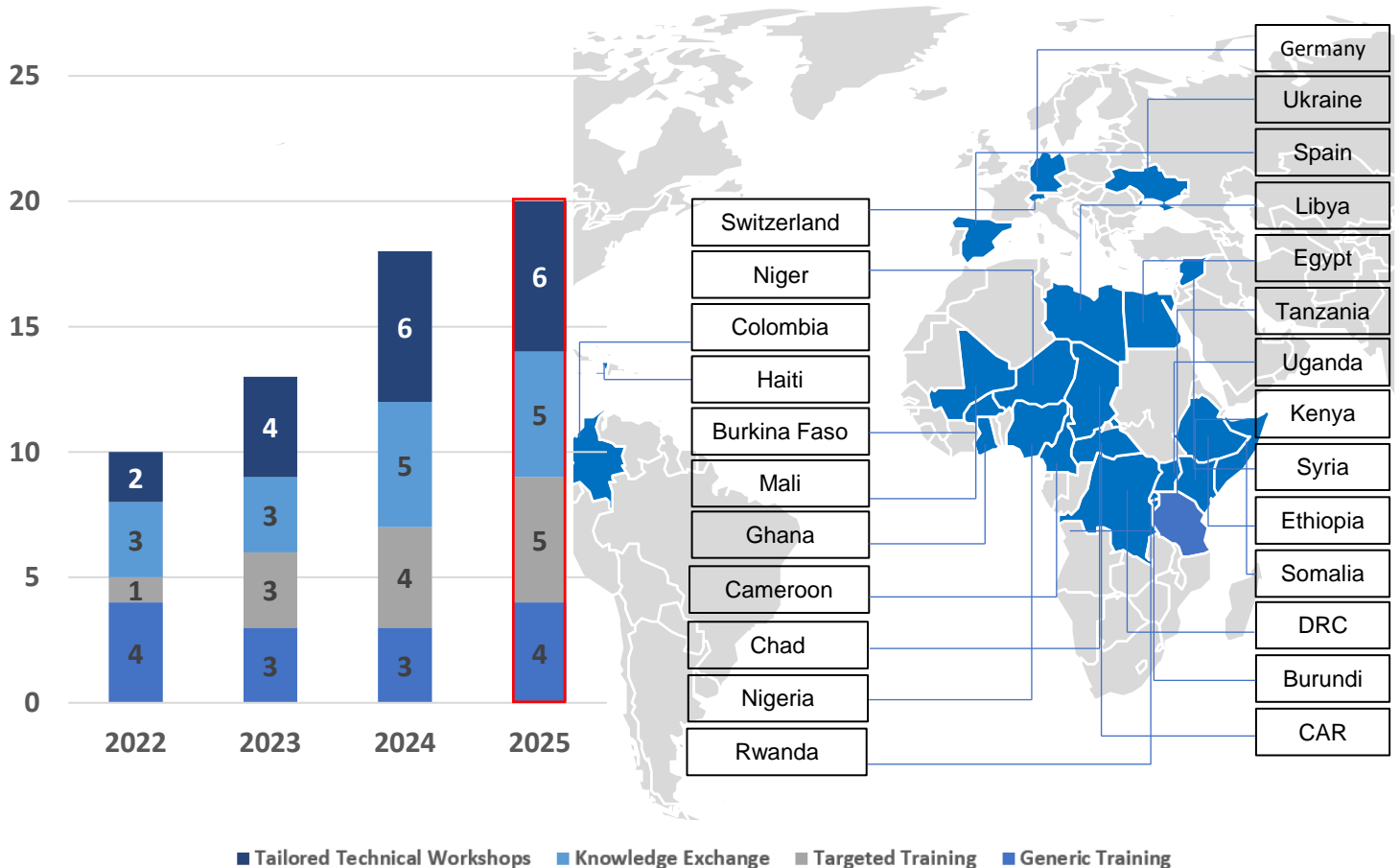
Introduction

As a system-wide service provider, the DDR Section supports the implementation of DDR processes across peacekeeping operations, special political missions, and non-mission settings. This support includes Knowledge Management Services, which focus on learning, capacity building, and knowledge exchange among DDR practitioners. This activity report provides an overview of the services delivered since 2022, with a specific focus on activities conducted in 2024.



At a Glance: Overview of Activities 2022 – 2024

Over the years, the demand for tailored and thematic support to national authorities, DDR commissions, and regional authorities has steadily increased. **In 2025, this trend is expected to continue, especially in Non-Mission Settings.**



The Four Knowledge Management Services

(Highlights 2022-2024)

The DDR Section, through its dedicated Training Capacity, delivers four Knowledge Management Services to UN practitioners, national and regional authorities, and civil society actors. Since its inception, these services have been provided in over 21 settings across four continents.

CHAD



Development of a DDDR Strategy for Boko Haram and ISWAP (2022, 2023)

GREAT LAKES



Establishment of a Regional DDR working Group (2024)

HAITI



Inter-agency workshop on CVR in Haiti (2023)

Tailored Technical Workshops

Developed at the request of Member States, partners, and regional organizations, these workshops are tailored to **deliver concrete outcomes**. The section supports these efforts by providing facilitation, session design, and technical drafting assistance through a consultative approach.

Knowledge Exchange

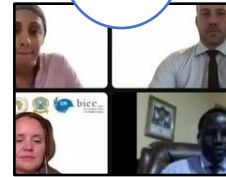
Through this service, the DDR Section facilitates the creation of in-person or online **platforms** where DDR practitioners, especially national and regional DDR entities can share insights, experiences, and lessons learned while fostering collaboration through **South-South cooperation**.

GLOBAL



IDDRTG General and Extraordinary Meetings (2022, 2023, 2024)

WEBINAR SERIES



Quarterly Webinars with DDR commissions (since 2022)

GREAT LAKES



DDRRR training for Operational Cell of Coordination and Contact Group (2022, 2023)

GHANA



Training Course on WAM (2022, 2024)

SWITZERLAND



Training Course on CVR (2022, 2023, 2024)

UGANDA



Course on UN DDR processes in African contexts (2023)

Targeted Training

Through this service, the DDR Section offers **specialized courses** designed to equip participants with in-depth knowledge on specific DDR-related topics. Upon request, and based on operational needs, in-depth thematic modules are delivered to DDR practitioners.

Generic Training

Through this service, the DDR Section provides support to partners, practitioners, and national authorities in delivering **foundational DDR knowledge** to those who are unfamiliar with the basic principles and aspects of DDR.

GHANA



KAIPTC DDR Foundation Course (2022, 2023, 2024)

SPAIN



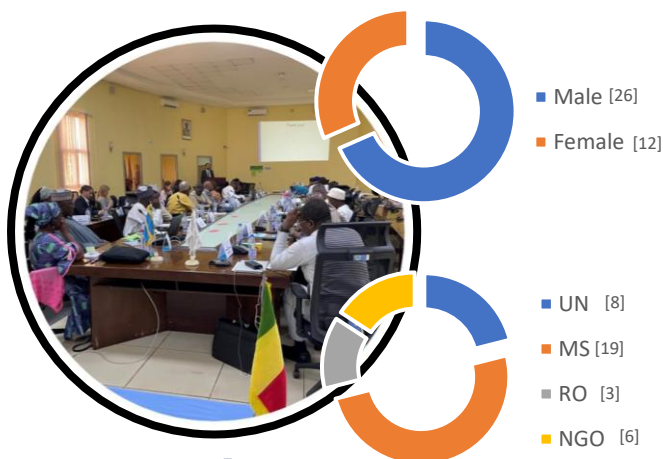
FBA Global DDR Course (2022, 2024)

LAS



Virtual DDR sessions for LAS (2023)

15 – 18 April: Regional DDR workshop at EMP in Bamako, Mali



26 February – 01 March: DDR Foundation course in Accra, Ghana



17 – 23 May: Training for P-DDRCS Sud-Kivu in Goma, DRC



Q1

Q2



04 – 07 March: Integrated DDR Training Group (IDDRTG) Annual General and Extraordinary Meeting in Cairo, Egypt



27 – 31 May: Training course on Community Violence Reduction at in Stans, Switzerland

07 – 09 August:

Launch of the Contact and Coordination Group
(CCG) Working Group on Disarmament,
Demobilization, Repatriation, and
Reintegration (DD/RR) in Dar es Salaam,
Tanzania



04 – 05 December: FBA's Disarmament,
Demobilization and Reintegration Processes in
Peacebuilding and Stabilization in Barcelona,
Spain

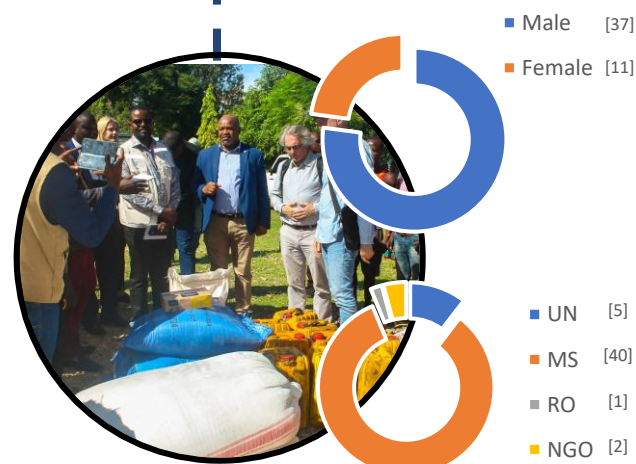


Q3

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21 – 23 August: Workshop
for the technical committee
tasked with developing a
DDR strategy in Niamey,
Niger



9 – 13 December: Development of
Repatriation, Resettlement and
Reinsertion Legal Framework,
Bujumbura, Burundi

Impact Highlights: Operational Support

Since 2022, through its **four Knowledge Management Services**, the DDR Section has accelerated concrete DDR efforts at both national and regional levels. By leveraging its partnerships and convening power, the Section has fostered exchanges among national commissions while building the capacities of national authorities, civil society actors, and UN practitioners. The examples below highlight how combining diverse training interventions can effectively support DDR advancement in both Mission and non-Mission contexts.



Accelerating DDR efforts in the Sahel Region through collaborative learning:

Engagement focused on supporting Chad's National Steering Committee in developing a National Strategy for the Lake Chad Region. Through tailored workshops in N'Djamena in 2022 and 2023, followed by remote guidance, Chad successfully **adopted its National Strategy for Disengagement, Dissociation, Reintegration, and Reconciliation (DDRR)** in 2024, addressing associates of Boko Haram and ISWAP.

That same year, a regional DDR workshop in Bamako brought together representatives from Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Mali, Niger, and Nigeria, along with CSOs and regional organizations. The **workshop produced key recommendations and established a regional platform for sustained dialogue and cooperation.**

Additionally, a training course in Niamey strengthened the technical committee responsible for **developing Niger's national DDR strategy, reinforcing collaboration with national counterparts and UN partners to enhance DDR strategy development and implementation.**



Supporting the transition of MONUSCO in the Great Lakes Region through knowledge transfer and DDR readiness:

Against the backdrop of MONUSCO's gradual transition from South Kivu, the DDR Section supported this process through a **dedicated training on DDR for the South Kivu P-DDRCS office**, on planning, and armed group analysis. This intervention also piloted the DDR Section's use of simulation exercise to support learning **on typologies of armed groups.**

In 2024, a **Sub-Working Group on DD/RR was established in Dar es Salaam.** The first of its kind, the Sub-Working Group brings together National DDR Commission's and related entities' representatives from Burundi, the DRC, Rwanda, Tanzania, and Uganda to strengthen regional coordination and foster strategic alignment, while at the same time building confidence through security cooperation.

Linked to this, tailored support was provided to Burundi DDR authorities in developing a **legal framework for the reception of foreign ex-combatants.**

Impact Highlights: Knowledge Exchange

Establishing Global Platforms for knowledge exchange, peer-to-peer learning and regional collaboration

The **Webinar Series** was introduced in 2022 as an expansion of the first DDR workshop for representatives of National DDR Commissions and related entities held in Accra in 2021.

Responding to participant requests for a platform for continuous engagement and exchange, the Webinar Series was formally launched in 2022.

Conducted quarterly since then, it has **facilitated thematic discussions featuring subject matter experts addressing priority topics identified by participants**. It has also strengthened South-South cooperation, culminating in in-person exchanges during Integrated DDR Training Group Extraordinary Meetings held in Bogotá and Cali (2022), Nairobi (2023), and Cairo (2024), where DDR practitioners engaged on regional DDR challenges and shared best practices.

Developing the first-ever CVR course to meet the growing demand for solutions in the absence of the preconditions for DDR

Recognizing the growing importance of **Community Violence Reduction (CVR)** and the absence of specialized training on the subject, an expert-level workshop was conducted with CVR specialists in 2022, followed by a course design workshop with partners in 2023. This led to the establishment of an annual CVR Training Course in Stans, which began in 2023 and continued in 2024.

The course has served as a platform for DDR and CVR practitioners, as well as representatives of Member States, to exchange experiences and develop practical CVR implementation skills. This has resulted in increased interest, especially by Member States.

The Integrated DDR Training Group

The DDR Section works in close partnership with the **Integrated Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration Training Group (IDDRTG.org)** to deliver comprehensive capacity-building services. The IDDRTG, composed of international organizations and training institutes, develops DDR training materials and implements specialized programs for practitioners across international and regional organizations, the military, police, NGOs, academia, and government agencies. Its overarching aim is to promote a cohesive and integrated approach to DDR, supporting effective planning, management, and implementation.

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