

## WANEP and CSVR Sign MoU

Accra, Ghana - On 27 May 2024, the West Africa Network for Peacebuilding (WANEP) and the Centre for the Study of Violence and Reconciliation (CSVR) signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).

The MoU emphasises the importance of regional and continental stability, peace, justice, and reconciliation. The partnership aims to enhance these areas within countries and strategic regions where CSVR and WANEP operate.

Furthermore, the MoU outlines collaboration on mutual interests such as Early Warning, Research, Capacity Building, Gender Mainstreaming, and Transitional Justice Mainstreaming.

At a ceremony held at WANEP's regional office, the Executive Directors of both organisations signed the
 document, marking the start of a substantial collaboration.

Dr. Chukwuemeka B. Eze, WANEP's Executive Director, stated, "Our investment in professionalism and expertise in peace and security improves our capacity to address new challenges and seize opportunities for the benefit of the people of Africa."

Dr. Eze emphasised that the MoU symbolises a partnership expected to yield joint initiatives, creating synergies and adding value for both WANEP, CSVR, and the African people.

Ms. Annah Moyo-Kupeta, CSVR's Executive Director, expressed gratitude to WANEP for partnering on this significant endeavour. She noted that while progress has been made in empowering and protecting Africa's citizens, gaps remain. Ms. Moyo-Kupeta highlighted Transitional Justice as a means to address emerging challenges such as Violent Extremism and democratic deficits, integrating this approach into peacebuilding efforts. Ms. Moyo-Kupeta also stressed the need for both organisations to strengthen their collaborative efforts toward a more peaceful, secure, and transformative Africa.

The collaboration between WANEP and CSVR will enhance the work of both organisations and contribute to the continent's overall peace and development. The event concluded with a technical working session.

