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Presence in Africa,
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Current international military strategies for Africa are fueling regional security crises in the continent. Africa's lack of capabilities to strengthen its military capacity, which mostly due to the problems blocking its industrial development or more specifically its Defence capabilities, paves the way for some extreme interventionist and neo-colonial tendencies.

It appears that the motive of "terrorism" in the African continent will continue to be leveraged for a long time as a "pressure instrument" for “systematic manipulations” by “the states competing over resources”.

The current policies that prioritize "structural adjustment" for either development or security problems, which are also among the major causes of the migration problems, have had the opposite effect and been still feeding political and economic crises in Africa. These problems have had extremely negative impacts on the efforts of Africa for socioeconomic transformation, which is not only dependent on security but also science, technology and innovation.

Türkiye's potential for new strategic projects that are compatible with the future vision of the continent and that will contribute to mutual capacity development is quite high in the fields of Defence, security, informatics and space explorations.

The impacts of the developments (Covid-19 crisis etc.) over the last decade, which are comparable to those that may only take place over a century, represents a milestone for the change in mode of production, consumption, growth, conventional power standards etc., as well as security and Defence.

Policy scenarios and readiness for analyzing the national and international immune system and strategic transformation in a new approach have become a priority on the agenda. Studies and cooperation in this context for the “Security/Defence/Space Ecosystem and Strategic Transformation of the Future” have also become the major priority for all countries.



Türkiye, in the context of its foreign relations that have reached the level of "Strategic Partnership", should carefully observe the activities of certain actors (US and EU, and especially China) in the continent and develop its strategic policies with a reflex open to multilateral negotiations.

The **6th Türkiye - Africa Defence Security and Aerospace Forum**, which brings together representatives from the Defence, security and space domains as well as institutions of both Türkiye and African Countries, will be held at the same period of time with the Istanbul Security Conference, which achieved a position for itself as a global brand. The forum have the objective, in order to meet the inventory/ecosystem needs while strengthening its background and network, to make updated contribution to the strategic cooperation and mutual capacity building.

Sub-Themes

Turkish Military Presence and New Horizons in Somalia

Turkish Military Presence in Libya and New Horizons

Turkish Military Presence and New Horizons in Sudan

Turkish Military Presence and New Horizons in the Central African Republic

Turkish Military Presence in Mali and New Horizons

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