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## Friday Seminar in Africa Studies

### **The Euro-African Migration, Development, Security Nexus in West Africa: Negotiating Mobility in Mali and Burkina Faso (NEGOMOBI)**

With

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Since the post-2015 'migration crisis', the EU is prompting discourses and policy of 'crisis'. Moreover, since the mid-2000, after the Boko Haram insurrection, the fall of the North-Mali, several kidnappings of western hostages and recent 'terrorist attacks' in some West-African and European cities, the US-EU agenda has integrated West-Africa into the 'Global War on Terror'. This involves a closer military cooperation between West African States and the EU, with a special focus on securing borders and establishing biometric surveillance systems. These rationalities justify the implementation of policies linking migration, development and security, through the channels of development aid, as well as the deployment of public and private initiatives on the African soil. This migration-development-security nexus is clearly impacting African mobility at different levels. In her research project, Marie Deridder will investigate this nexus through the Malian and the Burkinabe case studies. This research seminar will be an opportunity to present and discuss the objectives of NEGOMOBI for the next 3 years.

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