

**UN Peacekeeping Operations in ‘new’ operational environment:  
Experience from MINUSMA**

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The presentation will explore policy and operational challenges which some of the contemporary UN Peacekeeping Operations (PKOs) face, based on the experience of UN Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in Mali (MINUSMA). UN PKOs have been increasingly deployed to the places where there is no peace to keep. MINUSMA is one of such example, established prior to the signing of the Peace Accord and facing asymmetric threat by terrorist armed groups. The presentation will look at how the mission tries to adapt to this ‘new’ operational environment. It will also examine what policy and operational implications are for those UN PKOs operating in the new environment.