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## Building sustainable peace requires active youth involvement

*Nigeria launches United Nations Security Council Resolution 2250*

**Abuja, October 24 2016** - The Centre for Sustainable Development and Education in Africa ([CSDEA](#)) with support from the Civil Society Platform for Peacebuilding and Statebuilding ([CSPPS](#)) will organise a *National Launch Event of the UNSCR2250* on October 24<sup>th</sup> 2016 at 11 am in the Main Hall, Kebbi Hotel, Central Business District, Abuja. The purpose of the Launch is to create awareness and also deliberate on possible entry points for joint implementation of the UN Security Council Resolution 2250 among all stakeholders in Nigeria.

The [UN Security Council Resolution 2250 \(UNSCR2250\)](#) passed on December 9<sup>th</sup> 2015 was a result of the advocacy of more than 10,000 young people in the [Amman Youth Declaration](#). was also part of this advocacy journey. The adoption of the UNSCR2250 marked the culmination of years of advocacy by civil society for the recognition by the Security Council that young men and young women have a critical and positive role to play for building sustainable peace. CSPPS has also been part of this advocacy journey evidenced by a [CSPPS side event on the UNSCR2250](#)<sup>i</sup> held at the High Level Political Forum (HLPF) to share experiences on how the UNSCR2250 can guide the implementation of SDG Goal 16 and other peace-related goals. The CSDEA has also been active in advocating for the operationalization of the UNSCR2250 and has spearheaded work on translating the commitment made on Youth, Peace and Security into tangible action. It is in this context that CSDEA is organising the National Launch event of the UNSCR2250.

The Civil Society Platform for Peacebuilding and Statebuilding (CSPPS) is a South-North non-governmental coalition of peacebuilding organizations in 25 countries that coordinates and supports civil society participation in the International Dialogue on Peacebuilding and Statebuilding (IDPS). The goals of CSPPS are to strengthen the voice and capacity of society to effectively engage in, and influence, peacebuilding and statebuilding as a critical contribution to crisis prevention and sustainable peace and development for all. In Nigeria, the CSDEA is the Focal Point organization of CSPPS. The CSDEA advocates transformational policies that lead to peacebuilding, environment sustainability and good governance through advocacy, capacity development, reflective dialogue and research.

At the end of the Launch, organisers expect an awareness on the UNSCR2250 among all stakeholders in Nigeria; informed knowledge of how the principles of the UNSCR2250 can support the implementation of the SDGs, [the New Deal for Engagement in Fragile States](#) and general peacebuilding efforts in Nigeria.

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<sup>i</sup> Report – CSPPS Side-event: Working with young people towards peaceful and inclusive societies via <http://bit.ly/2dgFO8F>