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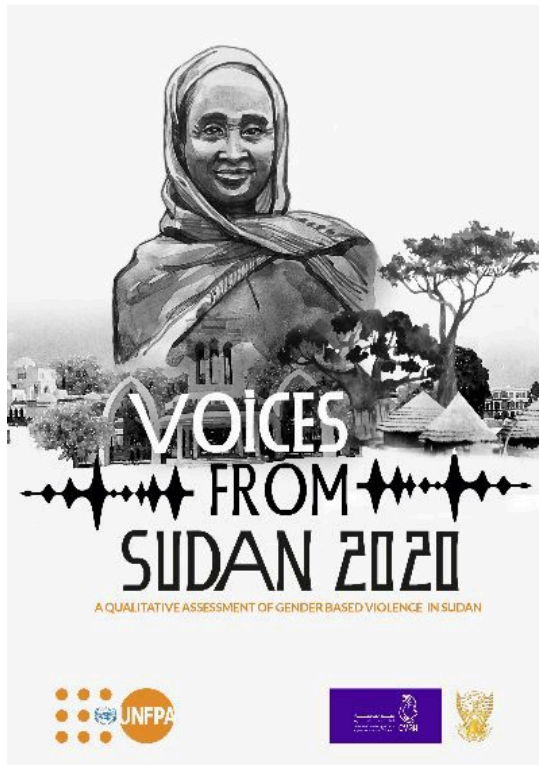
Good afternoon,

In this monthly newsletter we are sharing a round up of research and analysis that are important for aid actors in Sudan to better understand the complex contexts in which they are working and improve the impacts of aid.

We will also share occasional selected articles from the [CSF Knowledge Hub](#) archive that can help to provide background, history and lessons learned. All the publications below can all be found in the [CSF Knowledge Hub](#).

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[Voices from Sudan 2020: A qualitative assessment of gender based violence in Sudan](#)

United Nations Population Fund, August 2021

This study is the first nation-wide, qualitative assessment of gender-based violence that has ever been done in Sudan, co-authored by United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and the Government of Sudan's Combating Violence against Women Unit (CVAW). The report aims to complement existing methodologies for data gathering and analysis, by ensuring that the views, experiences and priorities of women and girls are understood and addressed.

[Sudan's youth and the transition: Priorities, perceptions and attitudes](#)

The Carter Center, August 2021

This report presents the experiences, expectations, and hopes of Sudanese youth regarding the country's transition to democracy. The report is based on surveys with representatives of youth-led organizations and resistance committees across Sudan. The research found that youth are optimistic about and keen to support the country's transition. However, there are gaps in meeting youth's expectations about both the government's progress and opportunities for youth

[Sudan's Youth and the Transition: Priorities, Perceptions and Attitudes](#)

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[Principles for Peace: Sudan case study](#)

Principles for Peace and TRIAS Consult, July 2021



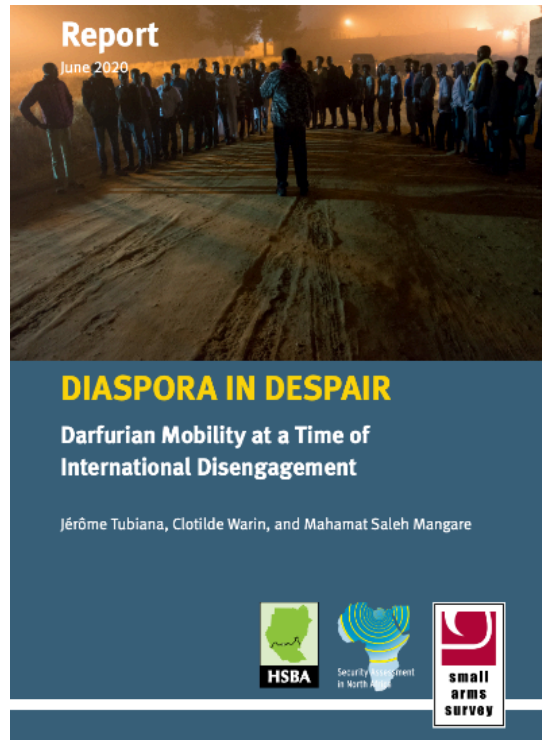
Sudan Case Study 2021

This report forms part of a series of country case studies by the Principles for Peace (P4P) initiative, an initiative of Interpeace to re-think the way peace processes are conceived and structured in light of evidence that conflict tends to re-onset on average within 7-12 years after a peace agreement. This has been the case for all of Sudan's peace agreements. P4P has identified seven interrelated and fundamental problems with the way peace processes are structured. This study explores whether and how these problems have affected peace processes in Sudan and provides a holistic analysis of ongoing peace processes, in particular to identify factors that influence their success or otherwise.

[Diaspora in despair: Darfurian mobility at a time of international disengagement](#)

Small Arms Survey, June 2020

This is a new joint report from the Small Arms Survey's Human Security Baseline Assessment for Sudan and South Sudan (HSBA) and Security Assessment in North Africa (SANA) projects. This report analyzes several components and consequences of this increased mobility. It finds that highly mobile Darfurian rebel groups have found fertile ground for lucrative activities such as cross-border smuggling in neighbouring countries – particularly Libya. The study also notes that the harsh conditions encountered in Libya by non-Arab Darfurian civilians have compelled many to seek asylum across the Mediterranean in Europe.

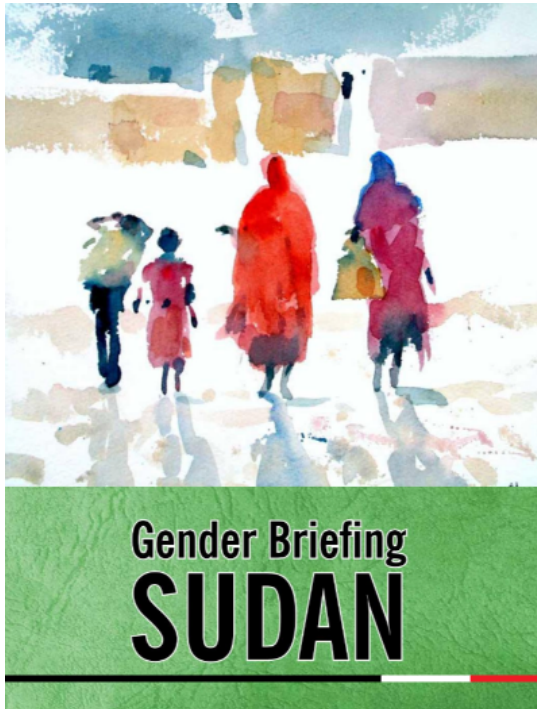


In focus: Women's political participation in Sudan

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[Sudan gender briefing](#)

Strategic Initiative for Women in the Horn of Africa (SIHA), March 2020



The aim of this gender briefing is to examine four countries – Sudan, Somalia, Ethiopia and Uganda – that have, over the past decade, passed and adopted gender-progressive legislation and policies. Against an inventory of the existing, recent gender policy and legal progress made in each of these countries, this Sudan gender briefing will present a short analysis covering: the social and political context in which gendered laws and policies are being implemented in Sudan; an overview of the existing laws/policies that have direct or indirect implications for gender equity; a brief background of the major issues facing women's rights and gender activists and an analysis of the women's movement in each country employing the Strategic Initiative for Women in the Horn of Africa (SIHA) community activism guide.

[Shifting terrains of political participation in Sudan](#)

Azza Ahmed Abdel Aziz and Aroob Alfaki, International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance, July 2021

This report presents elements of the development of Sudanese women's political participation through time. It highlights several political routes from their early days until the contemporary era. Different themes are explored and they include: the meanings of political



Shifting Terrains of Political Participation in Sudan

Elements dating from the second colonial (1898–1956) period to the contemporary era



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the participation of women in politics, possible avenues for women's participation, the presence of women in politics, variations in religious interpretations and their impact on political participation, the status of the Sudanese constitution and the views of women and men on the extent that women might advance in the next elections.

[Patriarchy, politics and women's activism in post-revolution Sudan](#)

Liv Tønnessen and Samia al-Nagar, Chr. Michelsen Institute, June 2020



This briefing provides a concise update on the challenges and opportunities for women activists trying to influence the political transition in Sudan. While Sudanese women were at the forefront of the popular uprising under the banner "freedom, peace and justice" that started in December 2018 and eventually led to the ousting of President Omar al-Bashir in April 2019, they were marginally represented in the negotiations that followed. In the process of consolidating a transitional government, women have been sidelined but continue to demand their rightful inclusion into political decision-making bodies.

Further reading: Peace process in Sudan

[Sudan peace archive](#)

World Peace Foundation and Tufts University, 2013



The World Peace Foundation’s Sudan Peace Archive attempts to capture the documents that emerged from the work of the African Union High-Level Panel on Darfur (AUPD) and the African Union High Level Implementation Panel (AUHIP) supporting peace processes in Darfur and between Sudan and what would become South Sudan. This archive was developed in collaboration with Tufts University’s Digital Collections and Archives.

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