

'Linking State and Non-State Security and Justice'

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Abstract

Until recently links between state and nonstate security and justice have not been given much attention, despite being an important part of safety and security provision in the South. The paper considers their conceptualisation and then proceeds to map the relational links within security networks, looking at the circumstances in which they occur; the benefits enjoyed by the partners; and the problems encountered. Next it considers policy issues, as how the success of links is to be measured, and how and when they can be facilitated and made sustainable. It concludes that for all their limitations, states, donors and international agencies would be foolish to ignore linkages with the nonstate.