

# **« The outsider cannot come hide behind a termite mound and wish that his head be taller »:**

**A local analysis of risks and opportunities for social  
cohesion in the West of Côte d'Ivoire**

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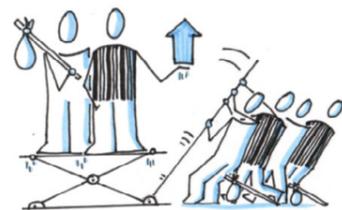
# Key messages & recommendations

## Tensions regarding the figure of 'the outsiders' and their success (Chapter 1)

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**Beyond the question of land tenure**, the perception of economic **inequality** and the figure of 'the outsider'

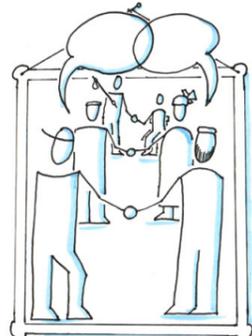
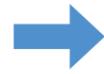
Design policies of participatory community development focused on mentality **change** and social **recognition**



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Multi-faceted intra-community cleavages: **inter-generational** and **gender-related** conflicts, as well as tension over the **priority upon arrival** in the locality

Create a framework of **intergenerational** and **gender-based** dialogue within the communities



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When **social despair** leads to **violence** and/or **migration**

Promote new **success models** at the **local level**, rooted in **context-based** aspirations and **realities**



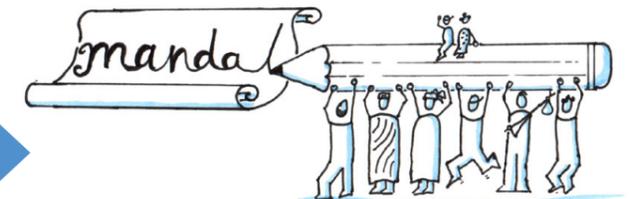
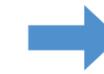
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## Local chieftaincies face a crisis of legitimacy (Chapter 2)

**Weakening** of the **traditional authority** figure

Define in a consensual manner the **mandate** and **functions** of traditional chieftaincies

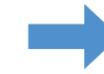


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## Infrastructures for peace in need for reinvention (Chapter 3)

**Representativeness versus leadership**: when those who claim to be representative lack legitimacy

Encourage the individual(s) capable of **constructive leadership to serve the public interest**



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**Absence of a culture of civic engagement** (solidarity) as an obstacle to development and community participation

Get involved! Cultivate a **sense of civic engagement** within communities



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