



Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force



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Workshop Background and Rationale

In the UN Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy, Member States highlighted the importance of addressing issues that promote extremism and recruitment to terrorism.

To assist States in taking practical action to do so, the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force has formed a Working Group on "Addressing Radicalization and Extremism that lead to Terrorism". The Executive Office of the UN Secretary-General (EOSG), the UN Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI), and the Monitoring Team of the 1267 Committee are leading the Working Group.

The Working Group only intends to look at radicalization and extremism in so far as they may be precursors to terrorism. The Working Group is working on the basis that only a very small minority of individuals may move from being extremists to condoning or committing acts of terrorism and intends to focus on why this line is overstepped.

Against this background, national policymakers, counter-terrorism practitioners, civil society professionals, and academic specialists will discuss the phenomena of radicalization and extremism that feed terrorism. By gathering and sharing experience, knowledge and insights between participants the workshop also aims to look at what preventive and reactive measures, vis-à-vis programmes and policies, Member States have taken up to this point to de-radicalize terrorist elements of society. The Workshop brings together roughly 20 relevant stakeholders and experts to exchange views and information related to how radicalization and extremism may lead to terrorism and to develop ideas/proposals for countering the appeal of terrorism. Critically, the event aims to:

- Consider the extent of existing work on understanding the appeal of terrorism and countering its impact;
- Share and analyze the experiences - individual, organizational and that of Member States - in the area of radicalization / de-radicalization and rehabilitation to identify for further dissemination factors that have proven effective; and
- Identify those policies or activities that may benefit from wider engagement or support and bring them to the attention of Member States.

Aside from the obvious networking potential, the Workshop will support the CTITF Working Group's aim to build potential partnerships with relevant national experts/institutions, civil society, and academics in order to gather information, as well as facilitate the exchange of lessons learned where appropriate, create new understanding on radicalization and extremism that lead to terrorism, and identify gaps and opportunities for cooperation in order to indicate potentialities for new policy strategies.

Draft Agenda

Day 1

Thursday 17	Item	Moderator: Dr. Hamed El Said, Security Governance / Counter-Terrorism Laboratory, "Addressing Radicalization and Extremism that Lead to Terrorism", Project Officer – UNICRI
09:00 - 09:30	i.	Opening Session Welcoming Remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Francesco Cappé, Coordinator, Security Governance Counter-Terrorism - Richard Barret, Coordinator, Monitoring Team of 1267 Committee - Hamed El Said, Project Officer, UNICRI
9:30 - 10:40	ii.	Peter R. Neumann, 'Radicalization and Recruitment in Europe' Stephen Harmon, 'Why terrorists kill: Factors that push Muslim Extremists to Perpetrate Violence' 2 Presentations x 20 minutes each, followed by 30 minutes discussion
10:40 - 11:00		Coffee Break
11:00 - 13:00	iii.	Bridget Robert, 'Road to Radicalization' Model: Terrorism from the Singapore Jemaah Islamiyah Experience' Steve Davis, 'Causes, links, and challenges' Ashraf Mohsen, 'Radicalization in Egypt' 3 x 20 minutes presentation followed by 60 minutes discussion
13:00 - 14:15		Lunch
14:15 - 16:00	iii.	Shada Islam, 'Youth Radicalization in Europe' Mariusz Piliś, 'Radicalization: Entering 'their' World ' Maria-Louisa Wegter, 'From Radicalization to Terrorism' 3 Presentations x 20 minutes each, followed by 45 minutes discussion
16:00 - 16:15		Coffee Break
16:15 - 17:25	iii.	Hans-Jörg Albrecht, 'Exertion of Extreme Violence and Suicide Bombing' Ahmed Said Ould Bah, 'Radicalization and De-radicalization: Aspects and Instruments.' 2 Presentations x 20 minutes each, followed by 30 minutes discussion
Evening		
20:30		Dinner hosted by Security Governance/Counter-Terrorism Laboratory, UNICRI

Day 2

Friday 18		Moderator: Dr. Hamed El Said, Security Governance / Counter-Terrorism Laboratory, "Addressing Radicalization and Extremism that Lead to Terrorism", Project Officer – UNICRI
09:15 - 10:30	iv.	Introduction - Dr. Hamed El Said, UNICRI Consideration of de-radicalization programmes and policies by experts J.J. (Hans) van Miert, 'Countering Radicalization: Perspectives and Strategies from Around the Globe' Peter Knoope, 'Dutch De-radicalization Policies and Programmes' 2 Presentations x 20 minutes each, followed by 30 minutes discussion
10:30 - 11:00		Coffee Break
11:00 - 13:00	iv.	Jon Erik Strömö, 'De-radicalization as part of future counter-terrorism strategies' Sidney Jones, 'De-radicalization and Prisons in Indonesia' Laila Bokhari, 'Pakistan: In search of a De-radicalization Strategy' 3 Presentations x 20 minutes each, followed by 60 minutes discussion
13:00 - 14:15		Lunch
14:15 - 16:15	iv.	Francesco Spano, 'Youth De-radicalization in Italy' Karine Belleut, 'De-radicalization policies in France' Mia Bloom, 'Dying to Kill' 3 Presentations x 20 minutes each, followed by 60 minutes discussion
16:15 - 16:45		Coffee Break
16:45 - 17:45	v.	Summing-up main points Adoption of outcome document Conclusion and closing remarks
18:15		Screening of BBC 4 documentary film "The Smell of Paradise", directed by Mariusz Piliś (52 mins). [Optional]

Please note that a modified format of Chatham House rules strictly applies. Accordingly, beyond the formal presentations, attribution will be withheld from all responses and discussions. Agenda subject to change without notice.

Dress Code: Smart Casual.

Thank you for your participation. Enjoy the City of Turin.

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