



INTERNATIONAL CVE RESEARCH CONFERENCE

AGENDA*

DAY 1 / 23 MAY 2022

MC: Ivo Veenkamp, Hedayah

8.30 Registration & Coffee

9.00 Opening Session

- **Dr. Pilar Aranda Ramírez**, Rector Magnificent, *University of Granada*
- **H.E. Ambassador Lana Nusseibeh**, Minister, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations, *United Arab Emirates*
- **H.E. Ambassador Nancy Abdulla Jamal**, Chief of Strategic Affairs, *Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Kingdom of Bahrain*
- **H.E. Guillermo José Anguera Gual**, Minister Plenipotentiary, Permanent Representative of the Kingdom of Spain at the European Union, *Ministry of Foreign Affairs, European Union and Cooperation, Spain*

9.30 Welcoming Remarks

- **H.E. Ahmed Al Qasimi**, Executive Director, *Hedayah*
- **Dr. Inmaculada Marrero Rocha**, Executive Director, *Euro-Arab Foundation for Higher Studies (FUNDEA)*
- **H.E. Manuel Navarrete Paniagua**, Major General, Guardia Civil and Director, *Center for Intelligence against Terrorism and Organized Crime (CITCO)*
- **Sian Hutchinson**, Head of Global Programme on Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism *United Nations Counter-Terrorism Office (UNOCT)*
- **Herbert Scheibner**, President, *European Institute for Counter Terrorism and Conflict Prevention (EICTP)*

10.00 Housekeeping Notes

MC: Ivo Veenkamp, Deputy Executive Director, Hedayah

10.15 Coffee Break

10.45 Thematic Session 1: Implications of COVID-19 on Violent Extremist Actors and P/CVE Efforts

Moderator: Farangiz Atamuradova, Hedayah

Galen Lamphere-Englund, Englund Consulting, *The Reshaping of the Terrorist and Extremist Landscape in a Post-Pandemic World*

Joe Whittaker, CYTREC - Swansea University, *Radicalization in the COVID Era*

Milo Comerford, Institute for Strategic Dialogue (ISD), *The Emergence of Ideologically-eclectic 'Hybridized' Extremism Threats Post-COVID*

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- 12.15 Keynote Session
Irfan Saeed, Director, Bureau of Counterterrorism and Countering Violent Extremism, U.S. Department of State
- 12.30 Lunch
- 13.30 Thematic Session 2: Internet, New Technology, Violent Extremism and P/CVE
Moderator: Galen Lamphere-Englund
Erin Saltman, GIFCT, *Definitional Frameworks for VE in Tech*
Amarnath Amarasingham, Queens University (UNOCT), *Video Games, Gaming-adjacent Platforms, and their Interactions with Violent Extremism*
Mike Burgess, Moonshot, *Advancing Media Literacy in Indonesia: Building Resilience and Measuring Behavior Change*
- 15.00 Group Photo & Coffee Break
- 15.45 Thematic Session 3: The Effects of Environmental Change on Violent Extremism
Moderator: Joe Whittaker, CYTREC
Carol Winkler, Georgia State University, *Environmental Factors Associated with Changes in Extremist Visual Messaging*
Moussa Bourekba, Barcelona Center for International Affairs (CIDOB), *Climate Change and Violent Extremism in North Africa: A Two-way Relationship?*
Imogen Richards, Deakin University, *Eco-fascism Online: Conceptualizing Extreme Right Actors' Response to Climate Change on Cross-national Social Media*
- 17.15 Wrap-Up Day 1
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DAY 2 / 24 MAY 2022

MC: Ivo Veenkamp, Hedayah

- 9.00** Introduction
- *Including Opening Remarks by **Mr. Robert Rushby**, Office of the Ambassador for Counter-Terrorism, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Australia*
- 9.15** Thematic Session 4: Addressing the Rise of the Radical Right
Moderator: Erin Saltman, GIFCT
- William Allchorn**, Centre for Analysis of the Radical Right (CARR) & **Jocelyn Belanger**, NYU Abu Dhabi, *Do Counter-Narratives Reduce Support for the Violent Radical Right? Testing Radical Right Counter-Narratives among Right-Wing Audiences in Australia and United States*
- Catherine Thorleifsson**, Centre for Research on Extremism (C-REX) - University of Oslo, *Drivers of Online Extremism: How to Prevent Radicalization in Digital Subcultures*
- Ashley Mattheis**, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA, *Gender and the Mass Mobilization of Radical Right Politics*
- 10.45** Coffee Break
- 11.15** Thematic Session 5: Countering Ideologically-Inspired Extremist Groups
Moderator: Mohammed Elshimi, UNOCT
- Michael Jones**, Royal United Services Institute (RUSI), *Social Networks and Norms in Kenya's VE and CVE landscape*
- Mohammad Abdelrahem**, University of Paderborn, *Countering Violent Extremism and Terrorism in the Middle East and North Africa Region: A Case Study Analysis of Efforts from Regional Entities*
- James Patton**, International Center for Religion & Diplomacy (ICRD), *Risks of a Prophetic Voice in the Face of US Christian Nationalism*
- Marie Kortam**, l'Institut Français du Proche-Orient (IFPO), *The Role of Formal Religious Leaders in C/PVE in the MENA Region*
- 13.00** Breakout Discussion Instructions
MC: Ivo Veenkamp
- 13.15** Lunch
- 14.15** Keynote Session
- Nicolas Stockhammer**, Director - Research Cluster Counter-Terrorism, CVE & Intelligence, Danube University Krems and Senior Researcher, European Institute for Counter Terrorism and Conflict Prevention (EICTP)

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Breakout Sessions

Breakout Session A | Future Directions of P/CVE

In-person only

Led by: Dr. Mohammed Elshimi, UNOCT

Breakout Session B | Ethical Challenges in P/CVE Research: OSINT and Digital Spaces

In-person only

Led by: Erin Saltman, GIFCT & Anne Craanen, Tech Against Terrorism (TAT)

Breakout Session C | Innovative Methodology and Techniques for P/CVE Research

Online Only

Led by: Aly Jetha, Big Bad Boo

16.00

Coffee Break

16.30

Read-out of Breakout Session

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Wrap-Up Day 2

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19.30–

Dinner Reception

20.30

Light bites and refreshments will be provided. Please RSVP to the organizers.

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DAY 3 / 25 MAY 2022

MC: Ivo Veenkamp, Hedayah

- 9.00** Introduction
- Including Opening Remarks by **Professor Boaz Ganor**, Director, International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT)
- 9.15** Thematic Session 6: Disengagement and De-radicalization: Lessons from Criminology and Psychology on VE and P/CVE
Moderator: Jocelyn Belanger, NYU Abu Dhabi
- Sumaiya Shaikh**, ViolEND, *Extremist Violence: A Triad of Pleasure-Addiction-Fear in the Circuitry of the Brain*
- Josep Garcia-Coll**, Euro-Arab Foundation for Higher Studies (FUNDEA), University of Cordoba, *Attitudes Toward Terrorist Rehabilitation Programs: Psychological Mediating and Moderating Mechanisms*
- Manuel Moyano**, University of Cordoba, *Sport Against Violent Extremism: A Preventive Intervention Based on the 3N-Model*
- 10.45** Coffee Break
- 11.15** Thematic Session 7: Gender, youth and P/CVE
Moderator: Sian Hutchinson, UNOCT
- Slim Masmoudi**, Naif Arab University for Security Sciences, *The 3R Model for Youth PVE: Restore, Repair and Reframe*
- Peter Knoope**, International Center for Counter-Terrorism (ICCT), *The Effect of Gender Structures and Dynamics on Violent Extremism in Central Asia*
- Aly Jetha**, Big Bad Boo, *The Impact of Entertainment-based Strategic Communications on Building Resilience for Children and youth*
- Bettina Rottweiler**, University College of London (UCL), *Misogyny, Violent Extremism and Interpersonal Violence: Examining the Underlying Mechanisms and Contingent Effects of Revenge Motivation, Hypermasculinity, Collective Narcissism and Group Threats*
- 13.00** Lunch
- 14.00** Keynote Session
- Tomas Santamaria**, Head of Section, Strategy - Centro de Inteligencia contra el Terrorismo y el Crimen Organizado (CITCO)

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Thematic Session 8: Current and Future Challenges of P/CVE

Moderator: H.E. Ahmed Al Qasimi, Hedayah

Dr. Rafael Kropiunigg, Women Without Borders (WwB), *The Hidden Gendered Drivers of CVE: Recent Lessons Learned on Impact from the MotherSchools Programme*

Anne Craanen, Tech Against Terrorism (TAT), *Adversarial Shifts in Terrorist Use of the Internet*

Adrian Shtuni, Shtuni Consulting, *Rehabilitation and Reintegration: Pathways of Kosovar Minors and Women Repatriated from Syria*

16.00

Wrap-up Day 3 & Concluding Remarks

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