

Resilient Cities: Countering Violent Extremism at Local Level

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THURSDAY, 8 JUNE 2017

18.00 **Public Event: What is Going on in the World? How are European Societies Countering Jihadist Terrorism?**

Chair: **Dr. Diego Muro**, Associate Senior Researcher, CIDOB; Lecturer in International Relations, CSTPV, University of St Andrews

Ambassador Jorge Dezcallar, Former Director, National Intelligence Center (CNI)
Mayor Bart Somers, Mayor, Mechelen

FRIDAY, 9 JUNE 2017

08.45 **Registration & Coffee**

09.00 **Opening Statement**
Dr. Jordi Bacaria, Director, CIDOB

09.05 **The Threat of Violent Extremism and the Institutional Responses in Europe**
Chair: **Dr. Tim Wilson**, Director, CSTPV, University of St Andrews

What is Violent Extremism (and what is not)?

Dr. Diego Muro, Associate Senior Researcher, CIDOB; Lecturer in International Relations, CSTPV, University of St Andrews

What Accounts for the Rise of Violent Extremism in European Cities?

Prof. Rik Coolsaet, Chair, Department of Political Science, Ghent University; Senior Associate Fellow, Egmont Institute

Countering the Threat: From the European to the National and Local Level

Dr. Bibi Van Ginkel, Senior Research Fellow, Clingendael Institute; International Centre for Counter-Terrorism (ICCT)

11.00 Coffee Break

11.30 **Local Action Plans: International Examples and Best Practices**
Chair: **Ms. Marije Meines**, Senior Advisor, RAN Centre of Excellence

European Cities' Preparedness to Respond to a Major Terrorist Incident: A View from London

Lord Toby Harris, House of Lords

The Aarhus Example

Mr. Thorleif Link, Detective Inspector, East Jutland Police Force

CVE Examples in the USA

Dr. Lorenzo Vidino, Director, Program on Extremism, George Washington University

- 13.30 Lunch
- 14.15 **Ways forward: Fine-tuning the Institutional Response**
Chair: **Dr. Bibi Van Ginkel**, Senior Research Fellow, Clingendael Institute; International Centre for Counter-Terrorism (ICCT)
- Who Leads and who Does what? Multi-agency Coordination, Community Engagement and Public-private Partnerships*
Dr. Daniel Heinke, Chief of Detectives and Director, State Bureau of Investigation, Bremen State Police; Adjunct Professor for Terrorism Studies, University of Bremen
- Preventing Violent Radicalization: Program Design and Evaluation*
Mr. Daniel Koehler, Expert, Competence Center for the Coordination of the Prevention Network against (Islamic) Extremism in Baden-Württemberg (KPEBW)
- Towards a European Local Action Plan?*
Ms. Marije Meines, Senior Advisor, RAN Centre of Excellence
- 16.00 **Concluding remarks**
Dr. Tim Wilson, Director, CSTPV, University of St Andrews
- 16.30 **End of conference**