

III. Resources

230 Websites and Blogs for Terrorism Research

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Abstract

This resource collection lists 230 websites and blogs which are deemed to be valuable information sources for serious researchers in the field of (counter-) terrorism studies. The first part lists websites run by academic, governmental, non-governmental, and private institutes, organisations, companies, as well as individual experts. The second part of the collection comprises blogs, many of them containing analyses of primary source materials as well as up-to-date news.

Introduction

The following resource collection lists 230 websites and blogs that are likely to be useful for students, researchers, and professionals in the field of terrorism and counter-terrorism. It is update as of end of May 2013. The first part comprises websites run by a broad spectrum of actors in the field, including academic, governmental, and private institutes, organisations, companies, and individual experts. Many of the sites contain so-called “Grey Literature”, i.e., non-conventional publications such as reports, working papers, or research briefs. Generally, grey literature is often harder to locate than conventional literature (such as journal articles or books) because it is “neglected by most library catalogs and databases”[1]. It encompasses a broad range and variety of materials. Many of the publications are original, covering topics in a thorough, in-depth fashion – often surpassing in length conventional journal articles. To find publications at a particular website, researchers are advised to search for the relevant section (often entitled “Publications”), which can be retrieved either by browsing or via the site map. A Google search with the site operator (e.g.: *publications site :ctc.usma.edu*) may also deliver satisfactory results.

The second part of this resource collection covers blogs maintained by terrorism experts. In the dynamic field of terrorism research, blogs are an invaluable information source as they provide users topical and thematic information. Many terrorism research blogs publish well-founded analyses of primary source materials (e.g., statements, video, and audio publications by terrorist organisations), point to news sources or expert literature and also provide links to additional relevant websites (so-called “Blogroll”). Several bloggers in the field run accompanying Twitter accounts where they tweet news headlines and information on newly released publications by terrorist and counter-terrorist organisations, enabling readers to track events in nearly real-time.

The resources assembled here were identified by scanning a variety of information sources such as bibliographies, institutional resource guides and expert blogs. Like every hand-searched resource collection, this one reflects subjective choices. Since the information requirements of researchers differ, the present resource list should not be used as single source for website and blog retrieval in the wide interdisciplinary field of terrorism studies. Especially for disciplinary sub-topics, researchers are advised to look out for additional online resources tailored to their specific needs. Readers should also keep in mind that this list focuses mainly on English-language resources. However, there is a growing amount of Internet resources available in other languages for those who have the necessary language skills.

Websites

Afghanistan Analysts Network (AAN), The

<http://aan-afghanistan.com>

Algemene Inlichtingen- en Veiligheidsdienst (AIVD)

<https://www.aivd.nl>

American Enterprise Institute (AEI) Critical Threats

<http://www.criticalthreats.org>

Analytic Services Inc.

<http://www.anser.org>

Artificial Intelligence Laboratory (AI Lab)

<http://ai.arizona.edu>

Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC)

<http://www.ahrc.ac.uk>

Australian Strategic Policy Institute (ASPI)

<http://www.aspi.org.au>

Austrian Center for Intelligence, Propaganda and Security Studies (ACIPSS)

<http://www.acipss.org>

Bangladesh Centre for Terrorism Research (BCTR)

<http://www.bipss.org.bd/index.php/page/bctr>

Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs

<http://belfercenter.ksg.harvard.edu>

Bipartisan Policy Center (BPC)

<http://bipartisanpolicy.org>

Brookings Institution, The

<http://www.brookings.edu>

CATO Institute – Foreign Policy and National Security

<http://www.cato.org/research/foreign-policy-national-security>

CBRNE-Terrorism Newsletter

<http://www.cbrne-terrorism-newsletter.com>

Center for American Progress – Terrorism

<http://www.americanprogress.org/issues/terrorism/view>

Center for a New American Security (CNAS)

<http://www.cnas.org>

Center for Applied Counterterrorism Studies

<https://securitystudies.uncc.edu>

Center for Asymmetric Threat Studies (CATS)

<http://www.fhs.se/en/research/research-centres-and-programmes/center-for-asymmetric-threat-studies>

Center for Asymmetric Warfare (CAW)

<http://www.cawnps.org>

Center for International Security and Cooperation (CISAC)

<http://cisac.stanford.edu>

Center for Security Research and Technologies (CSRT)

<http://www.uml.edu/Research/CSRT>

Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS)

<http://csis.org>

Center for Strategic Communication (CSC)

<http://csc.asu.edu>

Center for Terrorism and Intelligence Studies (CETIS)

<http://www.cetisresearch.org/index.html>

Center for Terrorism Law (CTL)

<https://www.stmarytx.edu/academics/law/centers/ctl>

Center for Unconventional Security Affairs (CUSA)

<http://www.cusa.uci.edu>

Center on Contemporary Conflict (CCC)

www.ccc.nps.navy.mil

Center on Global Counterterrorism Cooperation (CGCC)

<http://www.globalct.org>

Center on Law and Security, The – NYU School of Law

<http://www.lawandsecurity.org>

Center on Terrorism, The – John Jay College

<http://www.jjay.cuny.edu/centers/terrorism/index.php>

Center on Terrorism and Irregular Warfare (CTIW), The

<http://www.nps.edu/Academics/Centers/CTIW/index.html>

Centre for Advanced Security Theory (CAST)

<http://cast.ku.dk>

Centre for Conflict and Peace Studies (CAPS)

<http://www.caps.af>

Centre for International and Strategic Analysis (SISA)

<http://strategiskanalyse.no>

Centre for Policing, Intelligence and Counter Terrorism (PICT)

http://mq.edu.au/about_us/faculties_and_departments/faculty_of_arts/centre_for_policing_intelligence_and_counter_terrorism

Centre for Studies in Islamism and Radicalisation Processes (CIR) [discontinued]

<http://cir.au.dk/en>

Centre for the Study of Terrorism (CFSOT), The

<http://www.cfsot.com>

Centre for the Study of Terrorism and Political Violence (HCSTPV)

<http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/~cstpv>

Centre for Transnational Crime Prevention (CTCP)

<http://ctcp.uow.edu.au>

Centre of Excellence Defence Against Terrorism (COE-DAT)

<http://www.tmmm.tsk.tr/index.htm>

Charity & Security Network (CSN)

<http://www.charityandsecurity.org>

Chatham House

<http://www.chathamhouse.org>

Chicago Project on Security and Terrorism (CPOST), The

<http://cpost.uchicago.edu>

CNA

<http://www.cna.org>

Combating Terrorism Center (CTC)

<http://www.ctc.usma.edu>

Committee on Homeland Security

<http://homeland.house.gov>

Consortium for Countering the Financing of Terrorism (CCFT)

<http://www.c-cft.org>

Council on Foreign Relations (CFR)

<http://www.cfr.org>

Counter Agro Terrorism Research Center (CATRC)

<http://www.catrc.org.il>

Critical Incident Analysis Group (CIAG)

<http://www.medicine.virginia.edu/clinical/departments/psychiatry/sections/cspp/ciag>

CTC Leiden, Database Terrorism, Counterterrorism and Radicalization

<http://www.terrorismdata.leiden.edu>

Danish Institute for International Studies (DIIS)

<http://www.diis.dk>

Defense Technical Information Center (DTIC), The

<http://www.dtic.mil>

Demos – Violence and Extremism

<http://www.demos.co.uk/violenceandextremism>

Deutsche Arbeitsgemeinschaft Vorderer Orient für gegenwartsbezogene Forschung und Dokumentation e.V. (DAVO)

<http://www.davo1.de>

Digital Islam

<http://www.digitalislam.eu>

FATA Research Centre (FRC)

<http://www.frc.com.pk>

Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), The – Terrorism

<http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/investigate/terrorism/terrorism>

Federation of American Scientists (FAS) – Congressional Research Service Reports on Terrorism

<http://www.fas.org/sgp/crs/terror/index.html>

Flashpoint Partners

<http://www.flashpoint-intel.com>

Foreign Policy Research Institute (FPRI)

<http://www.fpri.org>

Forsvarets forskningsinstitut (FFI)

<http://www.ffi.no>

Foundation for Defense of Democracies (FDD)

<http://www.defenddemocracy.org>

Geneva Centre for Training and Analysis of Terrorism (GCTAT)

<http://www.gctat.org>

German Institute of Global and Area Studies (GIGA)

<http://www.giga-hamburg.de>

GlobalSecurity.org

<http://www.globalsecurity.org>

Global Terrorism Database (GTD)

<http://www.start.umd.edu/gtd>

Global Terrorism Research Centre (GTReC)

<http://artsonline.monash.edu.au/gtrec>

Global Terrorism Research Project (GTRP)

<http://gtrp.haverford.edu>

GLORIA Center

<http://www.gloria-center.org>

Gulf Research Center (GRC)

<http://www.grc.net>

HELIOS Global

<http://www.heliosglobalinc.com>

Henry Jackson Society, The

<http://henryjacksonsociety.org>

Hessische Stiftung Friedens- und Konfliktforschung (HSFK)

<http://www.hsfk.de>

Homeland Security Policy Institute (HSPI)

<http://www.gwumc.edu/hspi/index.cfm>

Homeland Security Studies and Analysis Institute (HSSAI)

<http://www.homelandsecurity.org>

HUMSEC

<http://www.humsec.eu>

ICOS Group

<http://www.icosgroup.net>

IFTUS

<http://www.iftus.de>

IHS Jane's

<http://www.janes.com>

Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses (IDSA)

<http://www.idsa.in>

Institute for National Security and Counterterrorism (INSCT)

<http://insct.syr.edu>

Institute for the Study of Asymmetric Conflict (ISAC)

<http://www.asymmetricconflict.org>

Institute for the Study of Violent Groups (ISVG)

<http://www.isvg.org>

Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies (IPCS)

<http://www.ipcs.org>

Institute of Terrorism Research and Response (ITRR)

<http://www.terrorresponse.org>

Institut für Friedensforschung und Sicherheitspolitik (IFSH)

<http://www.ifsh.de>

Institut für interdisziplinäre Konflikt- und Gewaltforschung (IKG)

<http://www.uni-bielefeld.de/ikg>

IntelCenter

<http://www.intelcenter.com>

INTELWIRE

<http://www.intelwire.com>

International Assessment and Strategy Center (IASC)

<http://www.strategycenter.net>

International Association for Counterterrorism and Security Professionals (IACSP), The

<http://www.iacsp.com>

International Center for Terrorism Studies (ICTS)

<http://www.potomac institute.org/international-center-for-terrorism-studies>

International Center for the Study of Terrorism (ICST)

<http://www.icst.psu.edu>

International Center of Terror Medicine (ICTM)

<http://www.terrormedicine.com>

International Centre for Counter-Terrorism (ICCT)

<http://www.icct.nl>

International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research (ICPVTR), The

<http://www.pvtr.org>

International Centre for the Study of Radicalisation (ICSR), The

<http://icsr.info>

International Crisis Group (ICG)

<http://www.crisisgroup.org>

International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT)

<http://www.ict.org.il>

International Relations and Security Network (ISN ETH Zurich)

<http://www.isn.ethz.ch>

International Relations and Security Network (ISN ETH Zurich) / Partnership for Peace (PfP) – Learning Management System (PfP LMS)

<https://pfp.ethz.ch>

International School on Disarmament and Research on Conflicts (ISODARCO)

<http://www.isodarco.it/index.html>

Internet Haganah

<http://internet-haganah.com/haganah/index.html>

Investigative Project on Terrorism (IPT), The

<http://www.investigativeproject.org>

Italian Team for Security, Terroristic Issues & Managing Emergencies (ITSTIME)

<http://www.itstime.it>

James A. Baker III Institute for Public Policy

<http://www.bakerinstitute.org>

Jamestown Foundation, The

<http://www.jamestown.org>

Jihadismstudies.net

<http://www.jihadismstudies.net>

Landesamt für Verfassungsschutz, Berlin, Germany

<http://www.berlin.de/sen/inneres/verfassungsschutz/index.html>

Manhattan Institute for Policy Research (MI)

<http://www.manhattan-institute.org>

Maritime Terrorism Research Center

<http://www.maritimeterrorism.com>

(George C.) Marshall European Center for Security Studies

<http://www.marshallcenter.org>

Mediterranean Council for Intelligence Studies (MCIS)

<http://www.mcis-edu.org>

Memorial Institute for the Prevention of Terrorism, (MIPT)

<https://www.mipt.org>

Michael Scheuer's Non-Intervention.com

<http://non-intervention.com>

MICROCON

<http://www.microconflict.eu>

Middle East and North Africa Research Group (MENARG)

<http://www.menarg.ugent.be>

Middle East Forum (MEF)

<http://www.meforum.org>

Middle East Institute (MEI)

<http://www.mei.edu>

Middle East Media Research Institute (MEMRI), The

<http://www.memri.org>

Middle East Observatory (MEO)

<http://www.meobservatory.com>

Middle East Virtual Library (MENALIB), The

<http://ssgdoc.bibliothek.uni-halle.de>

Monterey Terrorism Research and Education Program (MonTREP)

<http://www.miiis.edu/academics/researchcenters/terrorism>

Nationaal Coördinator Terrorismebestrijding en Veiligheid (NCTV)

<http://www.nctv.nl>

National Center for Risk and Economic Analysis of Terrorism Events (CREATE)

<http://create.usc.edu>

National Center on the Psychology of Terrorism (NCPT)

<http://www.terrorismpsychology.org>

National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism (START), The

<http://www.start.umd.edu/start>

National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC)

<http://www.nctc.gov>

National Terrorism Preparedness Institute (NTPI)

<http://terrorism.spcollege.edu>

NEFA (Nine Eleven Finding Answers) Foundation, The

<http://www.nefafoundation.org> [discontinued]

NEIL DOYLE

<http://neildoyle.com>

Netzwerk Terrorismusforschung

<http://www.netzwerk-terrorismusforschung.de>

New America Foundation – Counterterrorism Strategy Initiative

<http://counterterrorism.newamerica.net>

NSI

<http://www.nsiteam.com>

Österreichisches Institut für internationale Politik (oiip)

<http://www.oiip.ac.at>

Pak Institute for Peace Studies (PIPS)

<http://san-pips.com>

Peace Research Institute Oslo (PRIO)

<http://www.prio.no>

Philippine Institute for Peace, Violence, and Terrorism Research, Inc. (PIPVTR)

<http://pipvtr.com>

Phil Taylor's Web Site

<http://ics-www.leeds.ac.uk/papers/index.cfm?outfit=pmt>

Polycypointers.org – Defence, Terrorism & Security

http://www.polycypointers.org/PolicyAreas/Item/Defence_terrorism_and_security

Project for the Research of Islamist Movements (PRISM)

<http://www.e-prism.org>

Project on Violent Conflict (PVC)

<http://www.albany.edu/pvc/index.shtml>

Quilliam Foundation

<http://www.quilliamfoundation.org>

RAND Corporation – Terrorism and Homeland Security

<http://www.rand.org/pubs/online/terrorism-and-homeland-security.html>

Real Instituto Elcano (RIE)

<http://www.realinstitutoelcano.org>

registan

<http://registan.net>

Research Institute for European and American Studies (RIEAS)

<http://www.rieas.gr>

Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT) – Mathematical and Computational Methods in Counterterrorism

<http://www.rit.edu/cos/sms/cmmc/index.php>

Royal United Services Institute (RUSI)

<http://www.rusi.org>

Russia-Eurasia Terror Watch (RETWA)

<http://www.retwa.com>

Security Explorer

<http://www.security-explorer.de>

SITE Intelligence Group

<https://www.siteintelgroup.com>

Social Science Research Network (SSRN)

<http://www.ssrn.com>

Society for Internet Research (SOFIR)

<http://www.sofir.org>

Society for Terrorism Research (STR)

<http://www.societyforterrorismresearch.org>

South Asia Analysis Group (SAAG)

<http://www.southasiaanalysis.org>

S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS)

<http://www.rsis.edu.sg>

Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik (SWP)

<http://www.swp-berlin.org>

Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI)

<http://www.sipri.org>

Supranational Criminology

<http://www.supranationalcriminology.org>

Teaching About Terrorism

<http://www.teachingterror.com>

Terrorism and Political Violence Association (TAPVA)

<http://tapva.com>

Terrorism & Preparedness Data Resource Center (TPDRC)

<http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/icpsrweb/TPDRC>

Terrorism Research & Analysis Consortium (TRAC)

<http://www.trackingterrorism.org>

Terrorism Research Center in Fulbright College (TRC)

<http://trc.uark.edu/index.php>

Terrorism, Transnational Crime and Corruption Center (TraCCC)

<http://traccc.gmu.edu>

Terrorism Watch & Warning

<http://www.terrorism.com>

Transnational Terrorism, Security, and the Rule of Law (TTSRL)

<http://www.transnationalterrorism.eu>

Triangle Center on Terrorism and Homeland Security (TCTHS)

<http://tcths.sanford.duke.edu>

United States Institute of Peace (USIP)

<http://www.usip.org>

University of Warwick / Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) – New Security Challenges

<http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/pais/research/newsecurity>

US Army War College (USAWC) / Strategic Studies Institute (SSI)

<http://www.strategicstudiesinstitute.army.mil>

USC Center on Public Diplomacy

<http://usepublicdiplomacy.org>

U.S. Department of State – Country Reports on Terrorism

<http://www.state.gov/j/ct/rls/crt>

Violent Intranational Political Conflict & Terrorism (VIPCAT) Research Laboratory

<http://www.wm.edu/offices/itpir/vipcat/index.php>

Washington Institute, The

<http://www.washingtoninstitute.org>

Western Hemisphere Security Analysis Center (WHEMSAC)

<http://whemsac.fiu.edu>

Blogs

Abu Muqawama

<http://www.cnas.org/blogs/abumuqawama>

Abu Susu's Blog

<http://www.abususu.blogspot.de>

Activism, Religion & Media

<http://research.carmenbecker.net>

AfPak Channel, The

<http://afpak.foreignpolicy.com>

Albar Sheikh

<http://albarsheikh.com>

All Eyes on Jihadism

<http://alleyesonjihadism.wordpress.com>

All Things Counter Terrorism

<http://allthingscounterterrorism.com>

al Sahwa

<http://www.al-sahwa.blogspot.de>

al-Wasat

<http://thewasat.wordpress.com>

Always Judged Guilty

<http://alwaysjudgedguilty.blogspot.de>

Blogs of War

<http://blogsofwar.com>

Brown Moses Blog

<http://brown-moses.blogspot.de>

Camille Tawil

<http://camilletawil.blogspot.de>

Caucasus Report

http://www.rferl.org/archive/Caucasus_Report/latest/963/963.html

COMOPS Journal

<http://csc.asu.edu/category/comops-journal>

Counterterrorism Blog [discontinued]

<http://counterterrorismblog.org>

FREErad!cals

<http://icsr.info/category/blogs/freeradcals>

Ghosts of Alexander

<http://easterncampaign.com>

gudmundson

<http://gudmundson.blogspot.de>

Informed Comment

<http://www.juancole.com>

James J. F. Forest

<http://www.jamesforest.com>

jankuhlmann.net

<http://blog.jankuhlmann.net>

Jarret Brachman

<http://jarretbrachman.net>

Jih@d

<http://ojihad.wordpress.com>

Jihadica

<http://www.jihadica.com>

Jihadi-Salafismus

<http://jihadisalafismus.wordpress.com>

Jihadism online

<http://www.univie.ac.at/jihadism>

Jihadology

<http://jihadology.net>

Lawfare

<http://www.lawfareblog.com>

Logbuch al-Qaida

http://www.spiegel.de/thema/logbuch_al_qaida

Long War Journal, The

<http://www.longwarjournal.org>

Legal War on Terrorism (LWOT), The

http://www.foreignpolicy.com/category/section/the_lwot

Ma'alim fi al-Tariq

<http://maalamfilitariq.wordpress.com>

Making Sense of Jihad

<http://www.makingsenseofjihad.com>

Master of Homeland Security

<http://www.masterofhomelandsecurity.org>

Moor Next Door, The

<http://themoornextdoor.wordpress.com>

Mr. Orange's War Tracker

<http://theorangetracker.blogspot.de>

Murphy Raid, The

<http://andrewzammit.org>

Online Jihad: OSINT AQ – Monitoring Jihadist Online Communities

<http://online-jihad.com>

On War and Words

<http://onwarandwords.wordpress.com>

Public Intelligence Blog

<http://www.phibetaiota.net>

Raffaello Pantucci

<http://raffaellopantucci.com>

Sahel Blog

<http://sahelblog.wordpress.com>

Selected Wisdom

<http://selectedwisdom.com>

Shimron Letters

<http://www.shimronletters.blogspot.de>

Small Wars Journal Blog

<http://smallwarsjournal.com/blog/recent>

Talisman Gate, The

<http://talismangate.blogspot.de>

Terrorismus & Film

<http://terrorismus-film.blogspot.de>

Views from the Occident

<http://occident.blogspot.de>

Virtually Islamic

<http://virtuallyislamic.blogspot.de>

Waq al-Waq

<http://bigthink.com/blogs/waq-al-waq>

WEBehavior

<http://alixlevine.blogspot.de>

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Notes

[1] Thomas Mann (2005): The Oxford Guide to Library Research: How to Find Reliable Information Online and Offline. Oxford: Oxford University Press, p. 205.