

Words of Appreciation from the Editors

Perspectives on Terrorism is entirely the product of volunteers – academics, professionals and practitioners who for ten consecutive years have been giving their time and providing their expertise to keep this free and independent online journal alive and increasing in circulation to nearly 7,000 subscriptions today.

While the main burden of producing six issues per year rests on the shoulders of the Editorial Team and those of the Editorial Board members, who do most of the reviewing, there are many others who assist us in producing timely Articles and Research Notes six times a year. The seven members of the Editorial Team and the twenty Editorial Board members alone would not be able to handle and review the growing number of articles that reach us now on an almost daily basis. We could not cope without the selfless help of our esteemed external reviewers who read and critique the articles that reach us.

Once a year we wish to thank these anonymous reviewers publicly by listing their names. For reviewing article submitted to *Perspectives on Terrorism* in 2016, we sincerely thank the more than 50 individuals listed here:

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These members of the Editorial Board were approached most often and asked again and again to give us their professional assessment on the quality of submissions reaching our journal. Many authors submitting manuscripts have benefitted from their constructive criticism.

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We also wish to thank all those who answered our 2016 crowd-funding appeal for financial support of *Perspectives on Terrorism*. There were altogether 35 donations made, ranging from US \$10 to US \$200 – all of which are significantly helpful for defraying the costs of publishing our journal. While 11 donations were made anonymously, 24 were made by identifiable donors—(family) members, friends and well-wishers of the Editorial Team of *Perspectives on Terrorism*, including authors who have contributed articles to our journal in the past. We would like to thank here all those whose names are known:

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To both the known and the unknown donors we say: **Thank you!** You belong to that very special group of readers of *Perspectives on Terrorism* who realise that a free and independent scholarly journal can only exist when a few are willing to sacrifice either time or money or both so that the many can enjoy that freedom and independence. If others should be interested in contributing, the crowd-funding site remains open at: <https://www.gofundme.com/perspectivestri>

And “Thank You” to Departing Members of the Editorial Team

Last but not least we wish to thank Eric Price and Joseph Easson who, after more than seven years of faithful services, have left our journal.

Eric Price was a professional information specialist at the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) when Alex Schmid first met him during his period as Officer-in-Charge of the UN Terrorism Prevention Branch in Vienna (UNODC/TPB). After retirement, Eric continued to provide a wealth of information to Alex and he became his Editorial Assistant, contributing more than forty in-depth bibliographies to *Perspectives on Terrorism*. Eric Price retired for health reasons and we wish him the very best for the future.

Joseph Easson was hired as Data Manager for the Centre for the Study of Terrorism and Political Violence (CSTPV, University of St. Andrews, Scotland) when Alex Schmid became its director in 2006. A scholar of classic languages by training, Joseph holds also a degree in computer sciences. From 2009 onwards, he took charge of the IT tasks associated with our electronic online journal. He not only transformed our Word Files, Tables and Graphs into beautiful journal pages but also kept track of our subscribers and contributors. Only when he began to pass on his skills to his successor, did we fully realize just how big his workload had been during all these years. Joseph leaves us for happy personal reasons.

We owe both of them, Eric and Joseph, a big ‘THANK YOU’ for services so freely and fully rendered over so many years.

Finally, from Alex P. Schmid & James J.F. Forest (Editors) and the other members of the Editorial Team—Joshua Sinai, Judith Tinnes, Jennifer Dowling, Jared Dmello and Jodi Pomeroy—a sincere thank you all for keeping *Perspectives on Terrorism* as a free and independent journal alive and well!