## **Conference Monitor/Calendar of Events (April – Nov. 2020)**

## Compiled by Reinier Bergema

As COVID-19 has been spreading rapidly across the world, both national governments and international organizations have been urging people to remain at home and avoid public places wherever. As a consequence, a significant number of events that were initially scheduled in the upcoming months have been cancelled. Conversely, there has been a significant rise in online events. As such, this month's conference calendar has given special (yet not exclusive) attention to events taking place online. For listed events taking place offline, it is recommended to check their current status, as this calendar was prepared in early April. The scope of this month's calendar remains unchanged, as it includes academic and (inter-) governmental conferences, professional expert meetings, civil society events, and educational programs. The listed events are organized by a wide variety of governmental and non-governmental institutions, including several key (counter) terrorism research centres and institutes.

We encourage readers to contact the journal's Assistant Editor for Conference Monitoring, Reinier Bergema, and provide him with relevant information – both on- and offline – preferably in the same format as the items listed below. Reinier can be reached at <<u>r.bergema@icct.nl</u>> or via Twitter: <u>@reinierbergema</u>.

## **April 2020**

### Foreign Fighters and the Conflict in Ukraine

Counter-Extremism Project & the Brandenburg Institute for Society and Security

1 April, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @FightExtremism

# Presidential Leadership in Times of Crisis: Foreign Policy, National Security, and Domestic Challenges

Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

7 April, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @CarnegieEndow

#### **Bellingcat Online Investigation Training Workshop**

Bellingcat 8 April, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @Bellingcat

#### Mapping the Pandemic: How Coronavirus is Affecting the Middle East

Royal United Services Institute (RUSI)

9 April, onine

Website: visit | Twitter: @RUSI org

#### Book Talk: "Your Sons Are at Your Service: Tunisia's Missionaries of Jihad"

The Washington Institute for Near East Policy

22 April, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @WashInstitute

## **Unpacking the Covid-19 Crisis in Africa**

Center for Strategic & International Studies (CSIS)

13 April, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @csis

## The Closed Circle: Joining and Leaving the Muslim Brotherhood in the West

Foreign Policy Research Institute (FPRI)

14 April, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @fpri

## CARR Far Right De-Radicalisation Webinars: Christian Piccolini (Free Radicals Project)

Centre for Analysis of the Radical Right (CARR)

14 April, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @C4ARR

## Federalism in a Fragmented State: Rethinking Decentralization in Yemen

Chatham House 15 April, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @ChathamHouse

## **Bellingcat Online Investigation Training Workshop**

Bellingcat
16 April, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @Bellingcat

## **Opposition Media in Authoritarian Arab Countries**

Belfer Center 16 April, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @BelferCenter

#### Right Wing Extremism in Europe: The Case of Germany

*International Centre for Counter-Terrorism – The Hague* 

20 April, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @ICCT TheHague

## The Changing Nature of Cyber Attacks

Royal United Services Institute (RUSI)

20 April, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @RUSI org

#### CVE in Practice: An Ecosystemic Approach to Countering Violent Extremism in the United States

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

20 April, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @START UMD

#### CTF Online Symposium No. 1: The Lebanese Hezbollah Financing Threat in Europe

Royal United Services Institute (RUSI)

21 April, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @RUSI org

#### How do Modern Militant Groups Form, Survive, and Thrive?

Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies

23 April, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @FSIStanford

## Counter Terrorism in Crowded Spaces: What Are We Doing Now and for the Future?

Cranfield Defence and Security

23 April, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @CranfieldUni

## ADS Security Briefing (Webinar): Shaun Hipgrave, Office for Security and Counter-Terrorism (OSCT)

ADS Group 27 April, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @adsgroupuk

## Russia's "Private" Military Companies: The Example of the Wagner Group

Center for Strategic & International Studies (CSIS)

28 April, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @csis

## **CSIS Debate Series: Do Human Right Protections Advance Counter-Terrorism Objectives?**

Center for Strategic & International Studies (CSIS)

28 April, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @csis

## **Trends in Global Arms Transfers and Military Spending**

Stimson Center & the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI)

28 April, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @StimsonCenter; @SIPRIorg

#### **Breakfast Briefing: UK Security Policy After Brexit**

Royal United Services Institute (RUSI) 29 April, London, United Kingdom Website: visit | Twitter: @RUSI\_org

#### What's Next for US-Iraq Relations?

Atlantic Council 29 April, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @AtlanticCoucil

## Roots of Elite Cooperation: Coalition Building under Authoritarianism and Democratic Transitions in the MENA

Belfer Center 30 April, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @BelferCenter

#### May 2020

#### Tech Sector & Law Enforcement Engagement in Countering TUI

Tech Against Terrorism, Global Internet Forum to Counter Terrorism

6 May, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @techysterrorism

#### The Caravan: Abdallah Azzam and the Rise of Global Jihad

Center on National Security

6 May, New York City (NY), United States Website: visit | Twitter: @CNSFordhamLaw

## Dr. Joanna Cook, Women and Violent Extremism: Considering Contemporary Challenges

Policing Institute for the Eastern Region 6 May, Chelmsford, United Kingdom Website: visit | Twitter: @AngliaRuskin

## IV. International In-Person and Virtual Conference on Terrorism and Political Violence: Terrorism Studies '20

Eastern Mediterranean Academic Research Center (DAKAM)

8 May, Istanbul, Turkey/Online

Website: visit | Twitter: @DAKAMTR

### Breakfast Briefing - The Future of UK-EU Intelligence Sharing in a Post-Brexit World

Royal United Services Institute (RUSI)
11 May, London, United Kingdom
Website: visit | Twitter: @RUSI\_org

## 2020 Stockholm Forum on Peace and Development

Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI)

11-13 May, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @sipriorg

## Glen Grant's Annual Lecture on the Current Situation and Latest Developments in Ukraine

Henry Jackson Society

12 May, London, United Kingdom Website: <u>visit</u> | Twitter: <u>@HJS\_org</u>

#### CARR Far Right De-Radicalisation Webinars: Pete Simi (Chapman University)

Centre for Analysis of the Radical Right (CARR)

12 May, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @C4ARR

#### Gathering and Admissibility of Evidence in Counter-Terrorism: Challenges and Best Practices

European Judicial Training Network (EJTN)

18-19 May, online

Website: visit | Twitter: n/a

#### The Wagner Group: Untangling the Purpose behind a Russian Power Tool

Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies

26 May, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @FSIStanford

#### Lebanon's October Revolution: Roots and Trends of a Nationwide Protest

Belfer Center 28 May, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @BelferCenter

#### 5th Postgraduate Conference: Current Themes in the Study of Terrorism and Political Violence

Society for Terrorism Research 29 May, Leicester, United Kingdom Website: <u>visit</u> | Twitter: <u>@SocTerRes</u>

#### June 2020

## **Book Talk: "Weaponized Words: The Strategic Role of Persuasion in Violent Radicalization and Counter-Radicalization"**

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

8 June, College Park (MD), United States Website: <u>visit</u> | Twitter: <u>@START\_UMD</u>

### Middle East 2020: Driving Factors and Their Impact

Henry Jackson Society

9 June, London, United Kingdom Website: <u>visit</u> | Twitter: <u>@HJS\_org</u>

## RUSI Land Warfare Conference 2020: Imposing Thresholds in a Global Digitized Contest

Royal United Services Institute (RUSI)
11 June, London, United Kingdom
Website: visit | Twitter: @RUSI org

## CARR Far Right De-Radicalisation Webinars: Nigel Bromage (EXIT UK)

Centre for Analysis of the Radical Right (CARR)

16 June, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @C4ARR

### **Breakfast Briefing: The New British Army Operating Concept**

Royal United Services Institute (RUSI) 17 June, London, United Kingdom Website: visit | Twitter: @RUSI org

#### **HaGirush – The Nazi-Arab Expulsion**

Henry Jackson Society

29 June, London, United Kingdom Website: <u>visit</u> | Twitter: <u>@HJS\_org</u>

#### July 2020

#### The Executive Certificate Program in Counter-Terrorism Studies

International Institute for Counter-Terrorism

12-31 July, Herzliya, Israel

Website: visit | Twitter: @ICT\_org

#### CARR Far Right De-Radicalisation Webinars: Ryan Scrivens (Michigan State University)

Centre for Analysis of the Radical Right (CARR)

16 July, online

Website: visit | Twitter: @C4ARR

#### Terror From the Right: Forms, Function and Future

Handa Centre for the Study of Terrorism and Political Violence

21 July, London, United Kingdom Website: <u>visit</u> | Twitter: <u>@CSTPV</u>

### August – November 2020

## Advanced Summer Programme: Preventing, Detecting, and Responding to Violent Extremism

Leiden University Centre for Professional Learning & International Centre for Counter-Terrorism – The Hague

17-21 August, The Hague, The Netherlands

Website: visit | Twitter: @UniLeidenCPL; @ICCT TheHague

## Advanced Summer Program: Terrorism, Countering Terrorism, and the Rule of Law

International Centre for Counter-Terrorism – The Hague & Asser Institute

24-28 August, The Hague, The Netherlands

Website: visit | Twitter: @ICCT TheHague; @TMCAsser

#### **GLOBSEC 2020 Bratislava Forum**

**GLOBSEC** 

28-30 August, Bratislava, Slovakia Website: visit | Twitter: @GLOBSEC

#### ICT's 20th Annual Summit: International Conference on Counter-Terrorism

International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT)

7-10 September, Herzliya, Israel Website: <u>visit</u> | Twitter: <u>@ICT\_org</u>

#### **The World Counter Terror Congress 2020**

Counter Terror Expo

8-10 September, London, United Kingdom Website: visit | Twitter: @CTX Event

## IVth 'Silent Leges Inter Arma?' Conference

International Society for Military Law and the Law of War

15-18 September, Bruges, Belgium Website: visit | Twitter: @ISMLLW

## **Counter Terrorism / Attack the Network [Course]**

NATO Centre of Expertise Defence Against Terrorism (COEDAT)

21-25 September, Ankara Turkey

Website: visit | Twitter: n/a

## **Countering CBRN At Home and Beyond**

Royal United Services Institute (RUSI)
23 September, London, United Kingdom

Website: visit | Twitter: @RUSI org

#### Disarmament and Non-Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction

Asser Institute

28 September-2 October, The Hague, The Netherlands

Website: visit | Twitter: @TMCAsser

#### **German Prevention Congress**

Deutscher Praeventionstag

28-29 September, Kassel, Germany

Website: visit | Twitter: @praeventionstag

#### Women in Terrorism and Counterterrorism

NATO Centre of Expertise Defence Against Terrorism (COEDAT)

September, Ankara Turkey Website: visit | Twitter: n/a

## 14<sup>th</sup> Annual International Conference: Unanswered Questions and Under-Researched Topics in Terrorism Research

Society for Terrorism Research
September, London, United Kingdom
Website: visit | Twitter: @SocTerRes

## **Annual CT Discipline Conference**

NATO Centre of Expertise Defence Against Terrorism (COEDAT)

12 October, Ankara Turkey Website: visit | Twitter: n/a

#### **Terrorism Experts Conference (TEC)**

NATO Centre of Expertise Defence Against Terrorism (COEDAT)

13-14 October, Ankara Turkey Website: visit | Twitter: n/a

#### **COE-DAT CT Lessons Learned (Critical Infrastructure Protection)**

NATO Centre of Expertise Defence Against Terrorism (COEDAT)

15-16 October, Ankara Turkey Website: visit | Twitter: n/a

#### **Terrorism and Media [Course]**

NATO Centre of Expertise Defence Against Terrorism (COEDAT)

19-23 October, Ankara Turkey Website: visit | Twitter: n/a

#### **Defence Against Terrorism Seminar**

NATO Centre of Expertise Defence Against Terrorism (COEDAT)

3-4 November, Ankara Turkey Website: visit | Twitter: n/a

#### **Border Security, Refugees, and CT**

NATO Centre of Expertise Defence Against Terrorism (COEDAT)

16-20 November, Ankara Turkey

Website: visit | Twitter: n/a

#### **2020 Stockholm Security Conference**

Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI)

18 November, Stockholm, Sweden Website: <u>visit</u> | Twitter: <u>@sipriorg</u>

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