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Day 1: August 14th

8:30-9:00am: Check-in & coffee (Eisner & Lubner Auditorium, 4th floor)

Light breakfast will be available

9:00-9:30am: Welcome & conference introduction (Eisner & Lubner Auditorium, 4th floor)

9:30-11:00am: Panel session 1

The Islamic State: New Research on Ongoing Threats and Trends Room 405 Chair: Pieter Nanninga	Pieter Nanninga (University of Groningen) – “Branding a caliphate in decline: the Islamic State’s video output, 2015-2017”
	Colin Clarke (RAND) – “The crime-terror nexus in Europe”
Trends in homegrown violent extremism Room 406 Chair: Tina Billington-Hughes	Daniel Snook & John Horgan (Georgia State University) – “Religious beliefs and practices among Muslim converts and non-converts: Starting points for understanding convert over-representation in violent extremism”
	Paige Pascarelli (Boston University) – “Identities ‘betwixt and between’: analyzing Belgian representation in homegrown extremism”
	Eylem Kanol (Humboldt-University of Berlin) – “Jihadi radicalization in Europe from a comparative perspective: profiles, contexts, networks and narratives”
Lessons from Northern Ireland Room 905 Chair: Tali Walters	Annabelle DeHeus (University of Nottingham) – “Don’t let them win: social drivers and the role of intergroup competition behind dissident republican violence”
	John Lamb & Emma Kelly (Birmingham City University) – “The thin green line: a cross border exploration of counter terrorism during ‘The Troubles’”
	Rachel Monaghan (Ulster University) – “‘Turning’ the terrorists: the jihadi supergrasses from al-Qaeda to ISIS”
Radicalization & identity theory Room 907 Chair: Art Kendall	Rod Dubrow-Marshall (ICSA/University of Salford) – “‘Totalistic identity theory”
	Yuval Laor (Open Minds Foundation) – “A theory of fervor”
	Yvonne Woods (University of Adelaide) – “Radicalization in refugee camps”

11:00-11:15am: Coffee (Eisner & Lubner Auditorium, 4th floor)

11:15-12:45pm: Panel session 2

Civil liberties, human rights, & education Room 405 Chair: John Lamb	Adam Jacobson (New York University) – “Could the United States re-institute an official torture policy?”
	Ewelina Wasko-Owsiejczuk (University of Bialystok) – “National security letters — a controversial FBI tool to fight terrorism”
	Orlandrew Danzell (Mercyhurst University) – “Panacea or catalyst: the education terrorism nexus on the African continent”
Terrorist disengagement, re-engagement & risk assessment	Sarah Knight – “Violent versus non-violent actors: an empirical study of different types of extremism”
	Kira Harris (Charles Sturt University) – “Linking psychology to counter violent

Room 406 Chair: Mary Beth Altier	extremism outcomes”
	Mary Beth Altier (New York University), Emma Leonard Boyle (La Salle University), & John Horgan (Georgia State University) – “Returning to the fight: an empirical analysis of terrorist re-engagement & recidivism”
Agency, recruitment, & innovation in terrorist networks Room 905 Chair: Christopher Wright	Jason Warner (Combating Terrorism Center) & Hilary Matfess (Yale University) – “Jihad’s “disruptors”: trends and innovations in Boko Haram’s use of suicide bombers”
	Maria Isabel Garcia & Jara Cuadrado Bolaños (Instituto Universitario Gutiérrez Mellado) – “The recruitment of women by Boko Haram: risk factors and early warning”
	Johanna Masse (Université Laval) – “Reevaluating women’s political agency in violent Setting. The Northern Ireland case”
When & why terrorist propaganda resonates Room 907 Chair: Kurt Braddock	Evan Copello & Dan Richard (University of North Florida) – “The dark side of social media: how recruitment appeals by extremist groups seem acceptable”
	Julie Alice (Lily) Gramaccia (Université Bordeaux-Montaigne) & Aurelie Campana (Université Laval) – “Digital terrorist strategies: towards targeting of imagined audiences”
	Kurt Braddock (The Pennsylvania State University), Paul Gill (University College London), & Emily Corner (University College London) – “The moderating effects of “dark” personality traits on the persuasive effectiveness of terrorist narrative propaganda”

12:45-1:45pm: Lunch (Eisner & Lubner Auditorium, 4th floor)

1:45-3:15pm: Panel session 3

Organizing terrorism Room 405 Chair: Michael Kenney	Rosalind Searle & Charis Rice (Coventry University) – “Creating your own ticking time bomb? The role of employee experience of organisational change in predicting insider threat behavior”
	Gina Scott Ligon, Michael Logan, Steven Windisch, & Laramie Sproles (University of Nebraska Omaha) – “An organizational approach to terrorism: when and how VEO leadership matters”
	Michael Kenney (University of Pittsburgh) – “A community of true believers: learning as process among ‘the emigrants”
CVE in time and place Room 406 Chair: Caitlin Ambrozik	Patrick Stahl & Julia Wilton (New York University) – “The future of countering violent extremism: an analysis of current programming in Jordan”
	Anne Marie Balbi (Curtin University) – “CVE- local resilience comparing Bali to Norway”
	Christine Neudecker (Simon Fraser University) – “CVE programs and initiatives through the ages: a snapshot of the past, present, and future”
Explaining domestic terrorism Room 905 Chair: Nick Brooke	David Corliss (Peace-Work) – “Statistical reproducibility in terrorism research”
	Celinet Duran (CUNY-John Jay), Stephen Chermak, William Parkin – “Threats from the left: a multivariate analysis of environmental and animal rights extremism”
	Ari Fodeman (Georgia State University) – “Safety and danger valves: functional displacement in American anti-abortion terrorism”

Crafting CT policy Room 907 Chair: Colin Atkinson	Humera Khan (UN Counterterrorism Executive Directorate) “Emerging trends & the Global Research Network”
	Timothy Weldon (University of St. Francis) – “Creative vigilance”
	Mina Chang (CEO, Linking the World) – “How we can use 'peace data' to predict and counter violent extremism ”

3:15-3:30pm: Coffee (Eisner & Lubner Auditorium, 4th floor)

3:30-5:00pm: Panel session 4

Strategies and dangers of terrorism Room 405 Chair: Rosalind Searle	William Topich (Pulaski Academy) – “The sideshow becomes the main stage: problems and prospects in U.S. efforts to combat terrorism in Pakistan”
	Joshua Lipowsky (Counter Extremism Project) – “The dangers of Hezbollah’s influence over Lebanon”
	Burcu Yigiter (University College London) – “How viable the renowned strategies of terrorist groups and how to identify them”
Promoting & explaining resilience: the role of protective factors Room 406 Chair: Tore Bjørgo	Kurt Braddock (The Pennsylvania State University) – “Vaccinating against hate: communicative inoculation as proactive intervention against violent extremism”
	Tore Bjørgo & Ingvild Magnæs Gjelsvik (University of Oslo) – “Right-wing extremists and anti-Islam activists in Norway: constraints against violence”
	Orla Lynch & Carmel Joyce (University College Cork) – “The enigma of reason: how argument and logic undermine de-radicalization”
Propaganda, influence, and coercion: terrorist communications and counter measures Room 905 Chair: Levi West	Levi West (Charles Sturt University) – “Violence, communication, and technology: terrorism and the exercise of convergent power”
	Haroro Ingram (Australian National University) & Alastair Reed (International Centre for Counter-terrorism) – “The charismatic appeal of Anwar Al-Awlaki: understanding & confronting the Pied Pipers of jihad”
	Jamie Brown (Council of Europe) – “The media and the messengers: criminal justice and the information warfare dimensions of terrorism”
Terrorism and counterterrorism in context Room 907 Chair: Art Kendall	Joshua Regan (University of New Haven) – “Understanding Abu Sayyaf from a quantitative lens”
	Anna Cornelia Beyer (University of Hull) – “How to rebuild Syria long-term”

5:00-6:00pm: Keynote Address by James Piazza, The Pennsylvania State University – “Illiberal Democracy and the Consequences for Terrorism” (Eisner & Lubner Auditorium, 4th floor)

6:00-8:00pm: Reception (Eisner & Lubner Auditorium, 4th floor)

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Day 2: August 15th

8:30-9:00am: Check-in & coffee (Eisner & Lubner Auditorium, 4th floor)

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9:00-10:30 am: Panel session 5

Roundtable: Can education counter violent religious extremism? Room 405 Chair: Ratna Ghosh	Ratna Ghosh (McGill University)
	Wing Yu Alice Chan (McGill University)
	Ashley Manuel (McGill University)
	Maihemuti Dilimulati (McGill University)
Terrorist tactics and targeting Room 406 Chair: Rachel Monaghan	Zoe Marchment, Paul Gill, Noemie Bouhana (University College London) – “Lone actor terrorist target selection: an analysis of residence-to-attack journeys”
	Jeff Gruenewald (Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis), Grant Drawve (University of Arkansas), Brent Smith (University of Arkansas) – “An analysis of successful and unsuccessful terrorist events in the U.S.”
	Marissa Mandala (CUNY- John Jay) – “Assassination as a terrorist tactic: a global analysis”
Policing terrorism Room 905 Chair: Jeff Thompson	Colin Atkinson (University of the West of Scotland) – “‘Now that you mention it, museums probably are a target’: museums, terrorism and securitisation in the United Kingdom”
	Brian Nussbaum (SUNY-Albany) – “NYPD counterterrorism: decade two”
	Jeff Thompson (Law Enforcement/Lipscomb University) – “Terrorism & hostage negotiation: law enforcement strategies, preparation, and training”
Children & terrorism Room 907 Chair: Tali Walters	Junko Nozawa (Global Center on Cooperative Security) “Advancing a juvenile justice approach to rehabilitating youth in detention”
	Amy-Louise Watkin (Swansea University) & Sean Looney (Dublin City University) – “The lions of tomorrow”: a news value analysis of child images in jihadi magazines”

10:30-10:45am: Coffee (Eisner & Lubner Auditorium, 4th floor)

10:45-12:15pm: Panel session 6

Public Perceptions of Terrorism & Counterterrorism Room 405 Chair: Orla Lynch	Carmel Joyce & Orla Lynch (University College Cork) – “Challenges to Irish diaspora identity: examining Irish American support for Republican paramilitaries in Boston after 9/11 and the Boston bombings.”
	Jack Jedwab & Ashley Manuel (Canadian Institute for Identities and Migration) – “Public perceptions on terrorism & counterterrorism in Canada”
	Peter Krause (Boston College/MIT) – “The impact of education on attitudes about terrorism & counterterrorism”
Criminological approaches Room 406 Chair: Paul Gill	Rudie Neve – “Crime script and network analysis approaches of terrorism within the Dutch police”
	Nils Duquet (Flemish Peace Institute) – “Weapons acquisition: a neglected aspect of the crime-terror nexus? The case of Belgium in a broader European

	perspective”
	Paul Gill & Emily Corner (University College London) – “Discerning signal from the noise in online and offline threats”
The development of CVE programming in the United States Room 905 Chair: Melissa Salyk-Virk	Neil Aggarwal (Columbia University) – “Against a public mental health approach to countering violent extremism”
	Elena Savoia (Harvard University) – “Developing evaluation model, methods and activities in countering violent extremism (CVE)”
	Nate Snyder (Former Obama Administration CT/CVE Senior Advisor) – “CVE: lessons from the Obama administration”

12:15-1:15pm: Lunch (Eisner & Lubner Auditorium, 4th floor)

1:15-2:45pm: Panel session 7

Early intervention & interdiction of potential terrorist offenders Room 405 Chair: Anne-Marie Balbi	Ahmet Yayla (George Mason University) – “The role of early intervention in countering extremism and terrorism”
	Annemarie van de Weert & Quirine Eijkman (Utrecht University of Applied Sciences) – “Early warning signs of violent extremism?: Dutch youth workers on detection and indication at the local level”
Weaponizing Ideas: Terrorist Innovation & Use of the Internet Room 406 Chair: Tina Billington-Hughes	William (Travis) Morris (Norwich University) – “Idea centric analysis: Neo-Nazi and violent jihadi ideas that shaped modern terrorism”
	Chelsea Daymon & Mia Bloom (Georgia State University) – “Addicted to terror? Charting the addictive qualities of ISIS’s preferred social media platform”
	Tina Billington-Hughes (De Montfort University) – “Tomorrow’s terrorist today: is the keyboard the terrorists’ new weapon?”
Counterterrorism: back to the basics Room 905 Chair: John Lamb	Garth Davies (Simon Fraser University) – “Stop reinventing the wheel: how past campaigns against social problems can inform the practice of countering radicalization to violent extremism”
	Robert Brathwaite (Michigan State University) – “Extreme motivations: the impact of terrorist attacks on religious identity”
	Huseyin A. Sari (University of Massachusetts, Lowell) – “Fight against terrorism: back to building inclusive institutions”
Foreign fighters Room 907 Chair: Colin Clarke	Christopher Wright (Austin Peay State University) – “An update on how dangerous are domestic terror plotters with foreign fighter experience? The case of homegrown jihadis in the US”
	Joseph Young (American University) – “Transnational volunteers: American foreign fighters combating the Islamic State”

2:45-3:00pm: Coffee (Eisner & Lubner Auditorium, 4th floor)

3:00-4:30pm: Panel session 8

Perceptions & the Effectiveness of CVE Programs in the United States Room 405 Chair: Caitlin Ambrozik	Melissa Salyk-Virk (New York University) – “Building community resilience”
	Caitlin Ambrozik (Cornell University) – “Why mobilize? An empirical investigation of the reasons for mobilization around countering violent extremism initiatives in the United States”
	Faiza Patel (New York University) – “Countering violent extremism”
Explaining lone actor terrorism Room 406 Chair: Paul Gill	Nick Brooke (University of St. Andrews) – “The loner v the lone wolf”
	Noemie Bouhana, Emily Corner & Paul Gill (University College London) – “The PRIME project: preventing, interdicting, and mitigating lone actor extremism”
Right-wing terrorism in liberal democracies Room 905 Chair: Charis Rice	Priya Dixit (Virginia Tech) – “On militias and Sovereign Citizens: armed groups and national security in the United States”
	Arie Perlinger, Jared Dmello, & Matthew Sweeney (University of Massachusetts Lowell) – “The violence of political empowerment: electoral success and the facilitation of political violence”
	Jacob Aasland Ravndal (University of Oslo) – “The modus operandi of right-wing terrorists in Western Europe”
Counter-narratives & terrorist messaging Room 907 Chair: Kurt Braddock	Audrey Alexander (George Washington University) – “Testing for digital decay in the online jihadisphere”
	Vivian Guetler (West Virginia University) – “Are we reaching the targeted population?: countering the jihadi narrative on Facebook”
	Kurt Braddock (The Pennsylvania State University) & John Morrison (University of East London) – “Cultivating trust and source credibility in online counternarratives intended to reduce support for terrorism”

4:30-5:30pm: Keynote Address by Bruce Hoffman, Georgetown University – “The Threat From ISIS and al Qaeda: Contextualizing The Role of Social Media” (Eisner & Lubner Auditorium, 4th floor)

5:30-7:30pm: Reception (Eisner & Lubner Auditorium, 4th floor)

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