International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT)  
Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya

Workshop: Far Right Radicalism, Anti-Semitism and Religious Fundamentalism in Europe

Thursday, February 19th, 2015
Class H2, IDC Herzliya

Aims:
Among the central challenges facing Europe in recent years is the growing tendency toward Euro skepticism, social and political exclusion, mass migration, and the economic crisis. The workshop will generate a forum for scholars and practitioners to discuss recent developments and key challenges in far-right radicalism, manifestations of Anti-Semitism and religious fundamentalism across Europe. The workshop will feature panels describing and discussing frontiers in social science methodologies and offer practical methods for countering far right extremism and radicalization to policy makers.

We hope to create an exciting intellectual exchange that will help us better understand the dynamics of extremist attitudes and behavior in Europe.

Program:
9:15 Reception

9:45 Welcome & Greetings

Prof. Boaz Ganor, Dean, Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy & Strategy; Ronald Lauder Chair for Counter-Terrorism; Founder & Executive Director, International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT), Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya, Israel

Dr. Sivan Hirsch-Hoefler, Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy & Strategy; Senior Researcher and Head of the Political Extremism Desk, International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT), Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya, Israel
10:00 Opening Lecture: The Far Right in Europe: Assessing Its Alleged Rise and Danger

Prof. Cas Mudde, School of Public and International Affairs, University of Georgia, United States

Comments and discussion: Prof. Dani Filc, Department of Politics and Government and The Centre for the Study of European Politics and Society, Ben-Gurion University, Israel

11:30 Coffee break

11:45 First Session: Far Right and the 2014 European Elections

Dr. Sarah de-Lange, Department of Political Science, University of Amsterdam, the Netherlands

From Moderate to Extreme Multipartism: The Impact of Radical Right-Wing Populist Parties on West European Party Systems

Dr. Esther Lopatin, Director, Center for European Studies, Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya, Israel

Understanding the Significant Gains of Right Wing Parties in the Recent Elections to the European Parliament

Dr. Ayelet Banai, School of Political Sciences and the Center for German and European Studies, University of Haifa, Israel

Does the Populist Right in Europe Have Potential Allies on the Left? Cleavages, Ideologies and Coalitions

Comments and discussion: Prof. Ron Hassner, Department of Political Science, University of California, Berkeley; Distinguished Visiting Fellow, International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT), Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya, Israel

13:30 Lunch

14:30 Second Session: Contemporary Anti-Semitism in Europe

Dr. Charles Asher Small, the Institute for the Study of Global Anti-Semitism and Policy, and Koret Distinguished Scholar, Hoover Institution, Stanford University, United States

The Crisis of Modernity: Europe and the Rise of Anti-Semitism, Islamism and Nationalism
**Dr. Sarah Fainberg**, Research Fellow, Institute for National Security Studies (INSS), Tel-Aviv University; Center for European Studies, Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya, Israel

*The Jews of France and the Israelization of Anti-Semitism*

**Carole Nuriel**, Senior Middle Eastern Affairs Analyst, Anti-Defamation League

*Trends in European Anti-Semitism*

Comments and discussion: **Dr. Amichai Magen**, Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy & Strategy; Marc & Anita Senior Researcher; Head of the Terrorism & Governance Desk, International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT), Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya, Israel

**16:00 Coffee break**

**4:15 Third Session: Religious Fundamentalism and Radicalization Processes in Europe**

Chair: **Prof. Daphna Canetti**, Faculty Chair, M.A Democracy Studies Program, School of Political Science, University of Haifa, Israel

**Prof. Boaz Ganor**, Dean, Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy & Strategy; Ronald Lauder Chair for Counter-Terrorism; Founder & Executive Director, International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT), Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya, Israel

*An Intifada in Europe? A Comparative Analysis of Radicalization Processes among Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza versus Muslim Immigrants in Europe*

**Dr. Eitan Azani**, Deputy Executive Director, International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT); Head of Specialization in Counter-Terrorism, Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy, Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya, Israel

*Radicalization process from Dawa to Jihad*

Comments and discussion: **Dr. Jonathan Fine**, Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy & Strategy; Senior Researcher & Head of the Terrorism and Religion in Comparative Perspective Desk, International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT), Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya, Israel

Participation in the workshop is upon registration only.

In order to register please RSVP to: ict@idc.ac.il