

Advanced Summer Programme on Countering Terrorism within a Rule of Law Framework

Centre for International & European Law

Preliminary Programme*

Monday 27 August 2018	Tuesday 28 August 2018	Wednesday 29 August 2018	Thursday 30 August 2018	Friday 31 August 2018
Opening Keynote: Countering Terrorism within a Rule of Law Framework Keynote introduction on the need to ensure respect for human rights, fundamental freedoms, and the rule of law when adopting countering-terrorism measures.	Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism: Trends and Dynamics in 2017/2018 Discussion of recent trends, dynamics, events, and policy developments in international terrorism and counter-terrorism.	Criminal Justice Responses to Terrorism Examination of ways in which States have implemented terrorist offences in their criminal laws, with a particular focus on the legal framework addressing the phenomenon of FTFs (incitement, membership, recruitment, training, travel, preparatory offences, etc).	Administrative and Security Measures Discussion of the increasing use of so-called administrative measures in the counter- terrorism context (e.g. travel bans and control orders) and the impact of these measures on the protection of human rights.	Latest Challenges and Practices in Counter- Terrorism Presentation of the latest challenges in counter-terrorism and ways they have been addressed, including attitudes towards returnees (allowing or preventing return, local or domestic prosecutions, elimination), and children of FTFs (detection, repatriation, citizenship).
Defining Terrorism in International and Domestic Law Lecture discussing the difficulties in formulating a definition of terrorism, the practical implications of definitional issues, and suggesting alternative approaches.	Legal Limits to Military Responses to Terrorism Overview of international legal issues when using military force against terrorist groups abroad (jus ad bellum, IHL, IHRL) using renditions and drone strikes as case studies.	Collection, Use and Sharing of Evidence in Terrorism Cases Presentation of challenges and possible solutions related to the collection and use of evidence in terrorism cases (including digital evidence, battlefield evidence, sharing of evidence).	Secrecy in Courts and Issues of Due Process Discussion of challenges araised by the use of secret intelligence in counter-terrorism, and possible methods to handle such evidence in courts.	Closing Keynote: Evaluation and Effectiveness of Counter-Terrorism Laws and Policies Keynote lecture addressing the expansion of counter-terrorism measures, their serious implications for human rights, and the necessity to ensure a more systematic evaluation of counter-terrorism measures.
Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Closing Lunch
International Legal Framework of Counter- Terrorism: Mapping the Key Instruments and Actors Overview of the main international legal instruments relevant in counter-terrorism and the key international and regional actors.	An International Court to Prosecute Terrorism: the Special Tribunal for Lebanon Interactive Q&A on the work of the Special Tribunal for Lebanon, and on terrorism as an international crime.	Prosecuting Terrorism Cases in Practice Practitioner's perspective on the prosecution of terrorism cases in national courts, with a focus on the prosecution of FTFs.	Human Rights Issues in PVE/CVE and Reintegration Programmes How to ensure that soft approaches to violent extremism and reintegration do not infringe on the fundamental rights of individuals, in particular freedom of expression and the right to privacy?	
A History of Counter-Terrorism: The War Paradigm, the Law Enforcement Paradigm, and Beyond Historically-based introduction to the two major paradigms in counter-terrorism – war and law enforcement – analysing their respective merits and providing critical reflections on lessons to be learnt.	Study visit to the Special Tribunal for Lebanon.	The Role of International Institutions in The Hague in Countering Terrorism Study Visit	Group Discussion: Challenges and Best Practices in Developing and Implementing Counter-Terrorism Laws and Policies Within a Rule of Law Framework Introduction and moderation by a Dutch or European policy-maker	High Level Panel Public Event - Topic TBD
Welcome Drinks		Optional walking tour in The Hague		

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