



COUNTERING *and* PREVENTING Violent Extremism *through* COMMUNICATIONS *and* EMPOWERMENT STRATEGIES *involving* YOUTH

An Open Side Event on the margins of the
UN HIGH-LEVEL CONFERENCE ON COUNTER-TERRORISM
28 June 2018, 1:15pm - 2:45pm, UNHQ Conference Room 9



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Side-event co-organized by the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED) and the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC), on behalf of the Counter-Terrorism Implementation Task Force (CTITF) Working Group on Communications chaired by the UN Department of Public Information (DPI)

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AGENDA

13:15 – 13:30 Opening Remarks

H.E. Mr. Nassir Abdulaziz Al-Nasser
High Representative for the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC)

Mr. Weixiong Chen
Deputy Executive Director, Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED)

H.E. Mr. Kai Sauer
Permanent Representative of Finland to the United Nations

Mr. Jehangir Khan
Director, United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism

H.E. Ms. Sima Sami Bahous
Permanent Representative of Jordan to the United Nations

13:30 – 14:20 Panel Discussion

Ms. Tarja Mankinen
Head of Development, Police Department, Ministry of the Interior of Finland

Mr. Matteo Sestito
Political Analyst and Public Information Officer, United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC)

Mr. Muaz Mohamad A-K Al-Otoom
Counselor, Permanent Mission of Jordan to the United Nations

Moderator: Mr. Janos Tisovszky
Chief, Information Centres Service, UN Department of Public Information

Mr. Moustafa Ayad
Head, International Communications Programmes, Institute for Strategic Dialogue (ISD)

14:20 – 14:45 General Discussion

The side-event will provide an opportunity to share experiences and good practices by Member States, United Nations entities, media experts and civil-society organizations in communicating with youth and youth-based organizations, in both on-line and off-line spaces, with a view to countering and preventing violent extremism through communications and empowerment strategies involving youth. One of the primary objectives is to share good practices and experiences in developing communications initiatives to counter terrorist narratives and to strengthen youth resiliency.