

2023 Counter-Terrorism Week SIDE EVENTS

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International Dimension on the Combatting of Terrorism (Challenges and Good Practices) 20 June 2023 08.00 – 09.30 (EST); 15.00 – 16.30 (İstanbul)

1. Background

The Third United Nations Counter-Terrorism Week (CT Week) will take place at the United Nations Headquarters in New York from Monday, 19 June to Friday, 23 June 2023.

This side event, **"International Dimension on the Combatting of Terrorism (Challenges and Good Practices)"**, will be organized by the Counter Terrorism Department of Turkish National Police (Türkiye) and Counter Terrorism Command of Metropolitan Police Service (The United Kingdom) on 21 June 2023 at 08.00 – 09.30 (EST); 15.00 – 16.30 (İstanbul) on the margins of CT Week.

The overarching theme of CT Week is "Addressing Terrorism through Reinvigorated Multilateralism and Institutional Cooperation". The event's special theme is "strengthening capacity building programmes – making them a better fit for purpose to meet resilience needs, including urgent requirements". Türkiye and the United Kingdom have longstanding cooperation on counter-terrorism matters; both countries continuously share information, experience and capacity with allied nations to tackle emerging terrorism threats.

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Recent political, economic, technological and environmental issues shifted international security into a new era. Terrorist organizations adopt new problems of the world for their propaganda while it is still one of the leading concerns for global safety. Combatting terrorism has to address emerging issues, adopt new methods and discover new areas where needed. International cooperation proved its importance for the latest security threats while it is crucial for counter-terrorism matters.

2. Outcomes

In this side event, counter-terrorism experts from both countries will explain how their respective institutions combat terrorism through multilateralism and cooperation with relevant national and international institutions. Also, observations about emerging threats, the radicalization landscape, the global impact of terrorism and the importance of international cooperation, good practices and effective counter-terrorism methods consistent with human rights and the rule of law will be discussed. Experts' contributions to the field might be helpful to other governments, international institutions and academia.

3. How to Join

This side event will be held virtually via Webex Meet. <u>You can participate the event by clicking here.</u> You can download Webex application to your device for the best performance. The meeting link will also be made available in the <u>Journal of Side Events</u> in due course on the <u>UNOCT 2023 Counter-Terrorism Week</u> page.

The event language is English.

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4. Event Agenda

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Moderator:

Prof. Dr. Şule TOKTAŞ

- Opening Remarks
- Hasan YİĞİT: Vice Deputy General Director of Turkish National Police
- **Dom MURPHY QPM**: Commander, SO15 Counter Terrorism Command, UK Metropolitan Police Service

• Panellists

- Assoc. Prof. Dr. Murat TINAS: Turkish Police Academy
- Cemal Baybars DÜZDEMİR: Superintendent, Turkish National Police, Counter Terrorism Department
- **Gürkan DEVECIGIL:** Fiscal Expert, The Financial Crimes Investigation Board, Ministry of Treasury and Finance of Türkiye
- Greg SMITH: Counter Terrorism Liaison Officer, UK Metropolitan Police Service
- Alan JUDD: Counter Terrorism Liaison Officer, SO15 Counter Terrorism Command, UK Metropolitan Police Service
- Dan BROWN: Senior Investigation Officer, SO15 Counter Terrorism Command, UK Metropolitan Police Service
- Nick BENNETT: Major, Course Director, NATO Centre of Excellence for Defence Against Terrorism
 - Q&A Session (Interactive Discussion)

All participants will have chance to deliver their questions to the experts through the moderator.

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• Closing Remarks

- Gülden Neslihan KESiCi: Superintendent, Turkish National Police, Counter Terrorism Department
- Subutay ERASLAN: Internal Affairs Attache, Permanent Mission of Türkiye to the UN
- Alan JUDD: Counter Terrorism Liaison Officer, SO15 Counter Terrorism Command, UK Metropolitan Police Service

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