Open meeting of the Counter-Terrorism Committee on
“Countering terrorist narratives and preventing the use of the Internet for terrorist purposes”

United Nations Headquarters, New York, Economic and Social Council Chamber,
Wednesday, 23 March 2022, 15:00-18:00

Draft agenda

15:00–15:20 Opening session

Opening statements:

• H. E. Mr. T. S. Tirumurti, Chair, Counter-Terrorism Committee
• Mr. Weixiong Chen, Acting Executive Director, Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED)

15:20-16:20 Session I: Trends and developments in terrorist narratives and possible responses

Panellists will share research updates on trends and developments in terrorist narratives and possible responses to counter them, as well as on ways to measure and evaluate the effectiveness of such measures. Each panellist will deliver an 8-10-minute presentation.

Moderator: H. E. Mr. T. S. Tirumurti, Chair, Counter-Terrorism Committee
Rapporteur: CTED
Panellists:

• Ms. Sarah Pollack, Interim Chief of Staff and Head of Communication, Global Internet Forum to Counter Terrorism (GIFCT)
• H.E. Ahmed Al Qasimi, Executive Director, Hedayah (virtual participation)
• Mr. Galen Lamphere-Englund, Convener, Extremism and Gaming Research Network (EGRN)
• Dr. Ajai Sahni, Founding Member and Executive Director, Institute for Conflict Management (virtual participation)
• Mr. Adam Hadley, Project Director, Tech Against Terrorism

16:20–17:10 Session II: Whole-of-society approaches to countering terrorist narratives and incitement
Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED)
Panellists will discuss whole-of-society and/or regional approaches to countering terrorist narratives which involves a broad range of actors, including Governments, as well as youth; families; women; religious, cultural, and education leaders, and other civil society actors, outlining the benefits of countering terrorist narratives by amplifying positive and credible alternatives to audiences vulnerable to extremist messages, in accordance with Security Council resolution 2354 (2017). Participants will be encouraged to share good practices and knowledge on compliance with international legal standards, including international human rights standards. Each panellist will deliver an 8-10-minute presentation.

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Panellists:

- **Ms. Sian Hutchinson**, Head of Unit, Global Programme on Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism, United Nations Counter-Terrorism Centre (UNCCT)
- **Mr. Atif Rashid**, Journalist, A Change of Heart Podcast / UNOCT/UNCCT-UNAOC Empowering Dialogue and Interfaith Networks (EDIN) Project
- **Mr. Asrul Daniel Ahmed**, Acting Director, Digital Strategic Communications Division, Southeast Asia Regional Centre for Counter-Terrorism (SEARCCT) *(virtual participation)*
- **Ms. Grace Omondi**, PhD Visual Communication, Leeds Beckett University; former Head of Strategic Communication, IGAD Centre of Excellence for Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism (ICEPCVE) *(virtual participation)*

17:10–17:55 Question-and-answer session

17:55–18:00 Closing statement

- **H. E. Mr. T. S. Tirumurti**, Chair, Counter-Terrorism Committee