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Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina



MEDIA AND TERRORISM CONFERENCE

31 AUGUST - 2 SEPTEMBER 2018

Hotel Termag, Mt. Jahorina
Bosnia and Herzegovina

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VENUE & REGISTRATION

VENUE	The conference will be held in Termag Hotel Jahorina, located approximately 31 kilometres from the Sarajevo International Airport.
REGISTRATION	Each participant will receive a name tag and conference materials upon check-in.
INTERPRETATION	The working language of the conference is English. Simultaneous interpretation will be provided into Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian.
CATERING	The organizers will provide coffee breaks and meals at the conference venue on 1 and 2 September 2018. An official conference reception will be held on the evening of 31 August 2018 at 19:00 at Termag Hotel Jahorina.

TRAVEL AND ACCOMODATION

TRANSFER	The organizer will arrange for round-trip transfer for all conference participants from BiH. The participants' pick-up will be organized on 31 August, at an agreed time and exact location. Those guests arriving by airplane will be welcomed by an OSCE driver and taken to Termag Hotel Jahorina. Transfer to the Sarajevo International Airport departure gate will also be provided. Guests who wish to arrange their own transfer to and from the hotel shall not be reimbursed.
ACCOMODATION	The organizers will make all the necessary accommodation arrangements for the conference participants at Termag Hotel Jahorina. You are kindly requested to check-in on Friday, 31 August and check-out on Sunday, 2 September as per hotel policy.
EXPENSES	Travel and accommodation costs will be borne by the OSCE.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Currency:	The local currency is the Bosnian Mark (BAM). Exchange rate between BAM and EUR is fixed at BAM 1 = EUR 0,511291. ATMs and exchange offices are available at the airport, hotel reception, and throughout the cities of Sarajevo and Pale.
Electric current:	Standard voltage 220V.
Climate:	Average temperatures on Mt. Jahorina in September are expected to be 4 - 15 C and for Sarajevo 22 - 27 C.
Time:	GMT +1.
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AGENDA

Friday, 31 August 2018

19:00 Welcome reception

Saturday, 1 September 2018

09:00 – 10:00 **Registration of participants**

10:00 – 11:00 **Opening remarks + press opportunity**
Ambassador Bruce G. Berton, Head of the OSCE Mission to BiH
BiH Ministry of Security
Moez Chakchouk, Assistant Director-General for
 Communication and Information at UNESCO
Alberto Comito, First Secretary and Deputy Head of Mission,
 Embassy of Italy in BiH
Georgia Holmer, Senior Advisor for Anti-terrorism Issues,
 OSCE Secretariat

11:00 – 12:30 **Reporting on terrorism in online, print and electronic media**
Terri Judd, Countering Violent Extremism and
 Strategic Communications Consultant
Aidan White, President of Ethical Journalism Network
Jean Paul Marthoz, Université Catholique de Louvain
 Moderator: **Denis Džidić**,
 Balkan Investigative Reporting Network BiH
 Rapporteur: **Bojan Janković**, OSCE Mission to BiH

12:30 – 14:00 **Lunch**

14:00 – 16:00 **Reporting on terrorism in online, print and electronic media -
 Western Balkan Perspectives**
Muhamed Jusić, Publicist
Vlado Azinović, Professor, Faculty of Political Sciences Sarajevo
Marija Ristić, Regional Network Director,
 Balkan Investigative Reporting Regional Network (BIRN)
Igor Tabak, Independent Security Analyst
Tanja Šuković, Editor, Radio and Television of Montenegro
 Moderator: **Adnan Rondić**, Al Jazeera Balkans
 Rapporteurs: **Jasna Hodžić / Zlatan Musić**, OSCE Mission to BiH

16:00 – 16:30 **Coffee break**

16:30 – 18:00 **Responsible reporting, ethics, and dealing with sources**

Andrew MacDowall, Correspondent and Analyst
Aidan White, President, Ethical Journalism Network
Daria Šito-Sučić, Correspondent, Thomson Reuters

Moderator: **Amela Odobašić**,
 Communication Regulatory Agency of BiH
 Rapporteur: **Mark Hanbury**, OSCE Mission to BiH

18:15 **Documentary film screening**

Sunday, 2 September 2018

10:00 – 10:30 **Day One Wrap Up**
Selma Zeković,
 Acting Head of Security Co-operation Unit,
 OSCE Mission to BiH

10:30 – 12:00 **Analysis of social media in process of radicalization**
Alastair Reed, Research Fellow,
 International Centre for Counter-Terrorism
Ludovica Di Giorgi, Manager, Moonshot CVE
Lejla Turčilo, Professor, Faculty of Political Sciences Sarajevo
 Moderator: **Vlado Azinović**, professor,
 Faculty of Political Sciences Sarajevo
 Rapporteur: **Sladana Ćurak**, OSCE Mission to BiH

12:00 – 13:30 **Lunch**

13:30 – 14:30 **Press conference / Presentation of key conclusions**

15:00 **Departure**



PANELS

PANEL I: Reporting on terrorism in online, print and electronic media

Journalists play an important role in covering violent extremism and radicalization that leads to terrorism. But they need exercise careful judgement. It is important that reporting on this issue is balanced and that journalists carry out their work of informing the public, while also avoiding the risk of actually helping terrorists achieve their aim of dividing societies and spreading fear. This session aims to address the main problems with covering terrorism, which has become more complicated with the acceleration of the news cycle and widespread use of social media. The speakers will discuss professional standards of reporting, the media space allocated to this topic and the application of human rights standards in reporting about violent extremism and terrorism.

Key topics:

- *Professional standards of reporting about terrorism in online and print media*
Terri Judd, Countering Violent Extremism and Strategic Communications Consultant
- *Are we reporting too much?
Are we giving more than enough media space?*
Aidan White, Ethical Journalism Network
- *Is today's reporting about terrorism and countering violent extremism human rights compliant? UNESCO's Handbook for Journalists*
Jean Paul Marthoz, Université Catholique de Louvain

PANEL II: Reporting on terrorism in online, print and electronic media: Western Balkan Perspectives

Ethnic divisions, nationalistic rhetoric, socio-economic status and a lack of perspective for youth are all potential triggers for radicalization and terrorism in the Western Balkans. Unfortunately, this region has already experienced acts of terrorism which have attracted a lot of media attention. How were the narratives created around these critical moments, what were the challenges that journalists and editors faced, and what could have been done better? These are among the key questions to be addressed at this panel.

- Bosnia and Herzegovina - Muhamed Jusić, publicist and Vlado Azinović, professor, Faculty of Political Sciences Sarajevo
- Serbia - Marija Ristić, Regional Network Director, Balkan Investigative Reporting Regional Network (BIRN)
- Croatia - Igor Tabak, Independent Security Analyst
- Montenegro - Tanja Šuković, RTCG

PANEL III: Responsible reporting, ethics, and dealing with sources

The purpose of this panel is to raise awareness of the need to exercise caution when examining sources, when fact-checking, when messaging contacts and generally when presenting information, especially while under pressure to attract audience and profit. How important is it to remain ethical and responsible, in a time when public trust in journalism is declining?

- Andrew MacDowall, Correspondent and Analyst
- Aidan White, Ethical Journalism Network
- Daria Šito-Sučić, Correspondent, Thomson Reuters

PANEL IV: Analysis of social media in process of radicalization

The use of social media by terrorist groups has become one of the most pressing global issues. Terrorist organizations are using social media platforms for communicating their ideologies and recruiting and training their followers, as this type of communication is both cost and time effective. Attempts to regulate this phenomenon can often pose a threat to freedom of expression. On the other hand, the role of social media in combatting terrorism is evolving. Speakers will discuss counter-messaging as a way to fight off terrorist propaganda and policies across the European Union that aim to address this issue, while also respecting human rights standards.

Key topics:

- *Countering extremists' online narratives*
Alastair Reed, International Centre for Counter-Terrorism
- *From digital capacity building to counter-messaging campaigns*
Ludovica Di Giorgi, Moonshot CVE
- *Youth online - hate speech as form of expressing radical ideas and how to prevent it?*
Lejla Turčilo, Professor, Faculty of Political Sciences Sarajevo



PANEL I: Reporting on terrorism in online, print and electronic media



Terri Judd

Terri Judd is a Countering Violent Extremism and Strategic Communications consultant, specialising in strategic policy development, counter narratives, disengagement and de-radicalisation programmes as well as media training in Afghanistan and across East and West Africa. She previously spent 20 years as a senior news correspondent and defence specialist, reporting for UK national newspapers on international and domestic fronts. She has extensive experience in conflict zones, specialising in CVE, defence, legal and human rights issues.



Aidan White

Aidan White is the Director of the Ethical Journalism Network (EJN), the global organisation of the world's major media professional groups which promotes ethics, good governance and self-regulation of journalism across all media platforms. White has worked on numerous publications including *The Guardian* and the *Financial Times* and for 24 years was General Secretary of the International Federation of Journalists, during which time he helped create the world's largest organisation of journalists with members in 126 countries. He founded the EJN in 2012 and today the Network has more than 60 members and supports programmes to strengthen journalism in the Middle East, South Eastern Europe, Africa and Asia.



Jean-Paul Marthoz

Jean-Paul Marthoz is a journalist, a foreign affairs columnist at the Brussels daily *Le Soir*, a frequent guest to Belgian public broadcaster RTBF and Paris-based TV5. He is a member of the Europe Advisory Committee of the Committee to Protect Journalists (CPJ, New York), vice-chair of the Advisory Committee of Human Rights Watch's Europe and Central Asia division, member of the editorial board of *Index of Censorship* magazine (London) and on the Advisory Board of the Ethical Journalism Network (EJN, London).

Jean-Paul Marthoz has been foreign editor and editorial page director of *Le Soir* (1980-1991), director of the Media for democracy Program at the International Federation of Journalists (1992-95), European press director of Human Rights Watch (1996-2006), editorial director of the foreign affairs quarterly *Enjeux internationaux* (2003-2008), and EU correspondent of the Committee to Protect Journalists (2010-2017).

He is the author or coauthor of some 20 books on journalism, human rights and international relations as well as of a number of manuals on international reporting, including *Terrorism and the Media* (UNESCO, 2017).

He also teaches international journalism at the Université Catholique de Louvain (UCL, Belgium) and lectures regularly at a number of other institutions (CERAH-Geneva, EIUC Venice, etc.)



Denis Džidić, moderator

Denis Džidić joined the Balkan Investigative Reporting Network in Bosnia and Herzegovina in August 2008, and is currently editor in chief of *Detektor.ba* and a journalist for the Balkan Transitional Justice programme. Prior to BIRN, Denis worked as a journalist for the Institute for War and Peace Reporting and the monthly youth magazine *Rez*, where he reported on young people and war crimes issues. Denis has worked as a journalist since 2006. He graduated from the Journalism Department of the Faculty of Political Science in Sarajevo and received his master's degree from the American University in BiH.



PANEL II: Reporting on terrorism in online, print and electronic media – Western Balkans Perspectives



Muhamed Jusić

Muhamed Jusić is a journalist, interpreter and publicist as well as an analyst of Middle East and Balkans affairs, author and co-author of a number of books and studies on Arabic world and Islam, columnist for Al-Jazeera Balkans and for papers and magazines, such as *Start BiH*, *Oslobođenje* and *Preporod*. He has also authored a number of studies on violent extremism and foreign fighters phenomena, including two studies co-authored with Prof Vlado Azinović – *The Lure of the Syrian War: the Foreign Fighters' Bosnian Contingent*, and *The New Lure of the Syrian War: the Foreign Fighters' Bosnian Contingent*.

He is a correspondent for the Sarajevo Centre for Advanced Studies and co-ordinator of the *Islam in South East Europe* Project. Co-founder and co-ordinator of a non-governmental "Investigative Network - Islam in Southeast Europe" that gathers distinguished experts in this area.



Vlado Azinović

Dr. Vlado Azinović, Associate Professor at the Department of Peace and Security Studies, School of Political Science, University of Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina. He has received his Ph.D. in Political Science from the American University of London (UK) and MA in International Relations from Norwich University (USA). Between 1995 and 2008 he worked as a senior editor at the Balkan Service, Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, Prague (Czech Republic).

Azinović is the author or co-author of *Mapping Online Extremism in Bosnia and Herzegovina: Findings and Reflections* (2018); *Understanding Violent Extremism In The Western Balkan*, Regional Report, Western Balkans Extremism Research Forum (2018), *A Waiting Game - Assessing and Responding to the Threat from Returning Foreign Fighters in the Western Balkans* (2018), *Between Salvation and Terror: Radicalization and FTF phenomenon in the Western Balkans* (2017), "The geostrategic aspects of jihadist radicalisation in the Western Balkans," in *The Challenge of Jihadist Radicalization in Europe and Beyond*, European Policy Center (2017); *The New Lure of the Syrian War: The Foreign Fighters' Bosnian Contingent* (2016), *Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Nexus with Islamist Extremism* (2015); *The Lure of the Syrian War: The Foreign Fighters' Bosnian Contingent* (2015); "Bosnia and Herzegovina and Terrorism 1996-2011: Defining the Threat, Devising Counterterrorism Strategy" in John J. Le Beau (editor) *The Dangerous Landscape; International Perspectives on Twenty-First Century Terrorism* (2013), *Introduction to the Studies of Terrorism* (2012); *Assessing the Potential for the Renewed Ethnic Conflict in Bosnia and Herzegovina: A Security Risk Analysis* (2011), *Al Qaeda in Bosnia and Herzegovina: Myth or Present Danger?* (2007), as well as book chapters, articles, essays and reviews on terrorism-related issues.

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Marija Ristić

Marija Ristić is the regional director of Balkan Investigative Reporting Network. She started working for BIRN in 2011 as a journalist, contributing to the regional Balkan Transitional Justice programme. Topics related to facing the past, reconciliation and transitional justice have been at the core of her professional development. After becoming the programme's director, Ristic was responsible for building the capacities of local media and civil society in order to promote reconciliation and intercultural dialogue.

She also made BIRN one of the first media organisations in the Western Balkans to initiate regular reporting about violent extremism, populism and propaganda under the regional Resonant Voices Initiative, which also involved training journalists to cover these topics.

Ristić is a graduate of the Geneva Academy for International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights. She has received numerous awards and scholarships from the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, the OSCE, the Zoran Djindjic Foundation and the Research Council of Norway. She is also a fellow at the Free University in Berlin researching universal jurisdiction. In 2015, she produced the award-winning documentary 'The Unidentified'.



Igor Tabak

Igor Tabak has been writing about military topics since the early 1990. He comments defence affairs in Croatia and the region, and also comments foreign policy affairs, primarily connected to wars, peacekeeping missions, NATO and EU. In addition to regularly co-operating with almost all media outlets in Croatia and in the region, Igor provides comments for world's major media outlets, such as BBC, Reuters, Washington Post and New York Times. He has been very active lately in terms of publishing articles on his own online portal "OBRIS – Defence and Security".

He is a member of the International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS) in Great Britain, and he writes for its specialised military-intelligence company under the name *Jane's*.



Tanja Šuković

Tanja Šuković started her journalist career at TVCG, in late 1989. She worked as a journalist, reporter, news editor, "Pečat" TV Magazine editor, documentary programme editor. She also worked for the first Montenegrin independent radio station 'AntenaM', co-operated occasionally with TV Yutel and weekly show 'Monitor'. Tanja Šuković authored numerous documentaries and stories. She finished elementary and secondary education in Titograd and graduated from the Faculty of Philosophy in Belgrade, Psychology Department.



Adnan Rondić, moderator

Adnan Rondić is a TV journalist, and has been in journalism since 1992. He started his career at the Hayat TV, and worked as a Voice of America correspondent from BiH for ten years. Since 2011, he has been working for Al-Jazeera Balkans. He has also been working, for more than ten years now, as a media appearance trainer. He is the author of the study called "Return between Illusion and Reality", published by the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (2007).

He received his degree in Communicology and master's degree in Political Sciences at the Faculty of Political Sciences in Sarajevo, where he has been a Ph.D. candidate since 2012 at the interdisciplinary doctoral study.



PANEL III: Responsible reporting, ethics and dealing with sources



Andrew MacDowall

Andrew MacDowall is a correspondent and analyst focusing on Central and Eastern Europe. He writes about politics, business and economics in Turkey, the Middle East, and South East Asia for publications including the Financial Times, the Guardian, Politico Europe, Christian Science Monitor, and Business New Europe.

He has interviewed hundreds of figures, including Prime Ministers, tycoons, and war veterans. Andrew also undertakes consultancy work for investors in CEE and beyond, and is a regular speaker and moderator at conferences in the region.

He has lived and worked in CEE since 2006. He was educated at the University of Cambridge and has a postgraduate diploma in newspaper journalism from London's City University.



Aidan White

Aidan White is the Director of the Ethical Journalism Network (EJN), the global organisation of the world's major media professional groups which promotes ethics, good governance and self-regulation of journalism across all media platforms. White has worked on numerous publications including *The Guardian* and the *Financial Times* and for 24 years was General Secretary of the International Federation of Journalists, during which time he helped create the world's largest organisation of journalists with members in 126 countries. He founded the EJN in 2012 and today the Network has more than 60 members and supports programmes to strengthen journalism in the Middle East, South Eastern Europe, Africa and Asia.



Daria Šito-Sučić

Daria Šito-Sučić has been a Reuters correspondent from Bosnia since 1997, reporting on a wide range of topics, including politics, economy, social issues but also entertainment and sports. She covered the post-war reconstruction efforts in Bosnia, returns of refugees, numerous elections, the role of the international organisations involved in the rebuilding of the country, security, war crimes and issues affecting all spheres of life in Bosnia. She also reports on economics and politics in other countries of the region, including Slovenia, Croatia, Montenegro and Macedonia.

From 1995-1997, Daria worked as a research analyst in the Open Media Research Institute in Prague, covering developments in Bosnia and Croatia. She also wrote for the Prague-based Transitions Online.

Daria holds a B.A. in the Serbo-Croat language and Yugoslav Literatures from the University of Sarajevo School of Arts and Letters, and M.A. in social and political studies from the Lancaster University, earned at the Central European University, Prague College.



Amela Odobašić, moderator

Ms. Amela Odobašić heads the Public Affairs Division of Communications Regulatory Agency of Bosnia and Herzegovina since 2001., the first converged regulatory authority for broadcasting and telecommunications established in the Western Balkans. She also works as a communications and regulations specialist nationally and internationally. Some of the countries she worked in include Iraq, Afghanistan, Somalia, Kenya, as well as those of the Western Balkans.

Besides, on behalf of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Amela acts as Vice-Chair of the Study Group 1 and rapporteur for the question on access to telecommunications /ICT Services by persons with disabilities and other persons with specific needs of the International Telecommunications Union.

She holds a B.A. (Hons) English obtained at the Kingston University (UK) as well as Diploma in Public Relations obtained at the Chartered Institute of Public Relations in London (UK).



PANEL IV: Analysis of social media in process of radicalization



Alaister Reed

Dr Alastair Reed is a Senior Research Fellow at the International Centre for Counter-Terrorism (ICCT) and Leiden University, in the Netherlands. His main research interests are foreign fighters, radicalization, terrorist and insurgent strategy, propaganda and strategic communications. His current area of focus is on understanding and responding to terrorist propaganda, for which he set-up and leads the Counter-Terrorism Strategic Communications project - a collaborative research project that has brought together top researchers in the field from across the world.

He is also an Associate Fellow at the Kings' Centre for Strategic Communications (KCSC) at KCL department of War Studies.



Lejla Turčilo

Lejla Turčilo is a Professor at the Department of Journalism/Communicology of the Faculty of Political Sciences of Sarajevo University, where she teaches General Communicology, Media Theory, Media and Politics, Online Journalism and TV Journalism courses.

She authored the following books: "(P)Ogledi o medijima i društvu: članci, eseji, istraživanja" (Perception of the Media in Society: Articles, Essays and Research Papers), "Zaradi pa vladaj: politika-mediji-biznis u globalnom društvu i u BiH" (Make Money and Rule: Politics, Media and Business in Global Society and BiH), Online komunikacija i offline politika u BiH, (Online Communication and Offline Politics in BiH), in addition to co-authoring the following books: "Mladi, politika i mediji: priručnik za razvijanje političke i medijske pismenosti mladih" (Youth, Politics and Media: Manual for Development of Political and media Literacy of Youth), „Mediji i shrinking space u BiH: utišani alternativni glasovi“ (Media and Shrinking Space in BiH: Silenced Alternative Voices), "Informacijska pismenost-smjernice za razvoj mrežnih modula" (Information Literacy – Guidelines for Development of Network Modules).

She also wrote reports on the subject of media literacy situation in BiH in 2014, as a part of the project under the title: "Media Literacy Mapping in Europe", sponsored by the French Sorbonne University. She published over 30 papers in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Croatia, Montenegro, France, Belgium, Germany, USA and Columbia.

She earned her BA, MA and PhD degrees at the Faculty of Political Sciences of Sarajevo University.



Ludovica Di Giorgi

Ludovica Di Giorgi is a Manager at Moonshot CVE, where she leads work in North America, Southeast Asia and the Western Balkans. She currently leads Moonshot CVE work on the violent far right, and has recently been published on the topics of radicalisation, gender and human rights, mostly focusing on the MENA region and Asia.

Her experience ranges from capacity building to running global counter-narrative campaigns focusing on jihadism and the violent far right, and has more than 10 years of experience in training volunteers on how to handle individuals with varying special needs.

Ludovica graduated with honours from Lancaster University, where she was the recipient of the Joan Wardman Peace Prize for best contributions to work on Peace Studies.



Vlado Azinović, moderator

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