

7:30 — *Registration and Coffee*

08:30

## **Welcome Remarks**

**Gerd Nonneman**, Chair of External Relations, Georgetown University Qatar

08:35

## **Keynote Address**

**His Excellency Sheikh Mohammed bin Abdulrahman Al-Thani**

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, State of Qatar

08:50

## **Opening Remarks**

**Hassan Rashid Al-Derham**, President, Qatar University

**David Scharia**, Chief of Branch, Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directive (CTED)

09:00

## **PANEL I — Exploring the Threat:**

### **Regional Landscape and Global Terrorism Trends**

This session will deconstruct the phenomenon of foreign fighters and returnees. The panel will discuss what was expected to occur versus what actually occurred since the collapse of the so-called Caliphate, especially the places to where people have returned or fled. Reviewing the numbers and types of foreign fighters and returnees, this panel will address specific regional challenges, focusing on the manner in which geopolitical rivalries, internecine conflicts, humanitarian crises, and refugee flows combine to impact terrorism dynamics.

**MODERATOR: Richard Barrett**, CMG OBE, The Global Strategy Network

**Fionulla Ni Aolain**, United Nations Special Rapporteur

Protection and Promotion of Human Rights while Countering Terrorism

**Peter Bergen**, CNN National Security Analyst and Vice President

Global Studies & Fellows, New America

**Gilles de Kerchove**, EU Counter-Terrorism Coordinator, European Union

**Nick Rasmussen**, Senior Director for Counterterrorism Programs,

McCain Institute for International Leadership

10:45 — *Coffee Break*

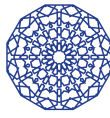
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## **PANEL II — Rhetoric and Radicalization:**

### **The Power of Narrative**

This session will explore the enduring resonance of jihadi narratives and the comprehensive efforts to counter them.

**MODERATOR: Lawrence Wright**, Staff Writer, The New Yorker



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**Linda Robinson**, Senior International & Defense Researcher, RAND Corporation  
**Colonel Sean Ryan, U.S. Army**, Spokesman,  
Combined Joint Task Force-Inherent Resolve (CJTF-OIR)  
**Irfan Saeed**, Director, Office of Countering Violent Extremism  
Bureau of Counterterrorism & Countering Violent Extremism (CT)  
**Tarik Yousef**, Director, Brookings Doha Center

*12:30 — Lunch*

**14:00**

## **Workshop Session co-hosted with the United Nations Security Council Counter-Terrorism Executive Directorate (CTED) and the Global Research Network**

In this special workshop session, co-hosted with CTED and its Global Research Network, speakers will offer a series of short talks on regions of particular concern in the returning foreign fighter phenomenon.

*15:30 — Coffee Break*

**15:45**

## **PANEL III — Foreign Terrorist Organizations: Policy Tools, Designation, and Financing**

This session will address the myriad ways in which state actors and international bodies can leverage the policies, financial practices, and legal tools currently available to diminish, deny and degrade the activities of terrorist organizations and the networks and individuals who support them. The challenges and opportunities of designating foreign terrorists and foreign terrorist organizations, enacting strict material support laws, and imposing sanctions to combat terrorism financing, will be explored and discussed at length. The intersection between terrorist financing and organized criminal networks, including ‘small-dollar terrorism’ and the ‘crime-terror nexus,’ will also be addressed.

**MODERATOR: Colin Clarke**, Senior Research Fellow, The Soufan Center  
**Major General Abdul Aziz Al-Ansari**, Chairman of National Counter-Terrorism  
Committee, State of Qatar

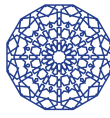
**Jason Blazakis**, Professor, Middlebury Institute of International Studies at Monterey  
**Daniel Byman**, Vice Dean and Professor, School of Foreign Service,  
Georgetown University

**Matt Levitt**, Former-Wexler Fellow & Director, Reinhard Program on  
Counterterrorism & Intelligence, The Washington Institute for Near East Policy

*17:15 — Break*

**18:45**

**ISIS, Tomorrow. The Lost Souls of Mosul**  
**Dinner and Film Screening, Followed by Q&A with Francesca Mannocchi**



8:00 — *Registration and Coffee*

8:30

## **Fireside Chat**

**His Excellency Dr. Khalid bin Mohamed Al Attiyah**

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of State for Defence Affairs, State of Qatar  
*With Steve Clemons, Editor at Large, The Atlantic*

9:15

## **PANEL IV — Legal Considerations, Law Enforcement, and Societal Cohesion: Striking a Balance**

This session will explore the difficult balance between ensuring accountability and justice for crimes committed and protecting the public from further acts of violence. It will also assess topics including societal cohesion, community resilience, and both the challenges and benefits of successfully reintegrating former combatants. Should these considerations be made by individual governments or by international bodies, especially in freedom-of-movement zones? Particular elements of the 'incarceration versus rehabilitation' debate will be discussed, including prison radicalization.

**MODERATOR: Karen J. Greenberg**, Director,  
Center on National Security Fordham Law

**Ian Acheson, FRSA**, Director of National Security Programmes, Sampson Hall

**Joshua A. Geltzer**, Former Senior Director for Counterterrorism  
and Deputy Legal Advisor, National Security Council

**Paul H. Haretel**, Deputy Assistant Director,  
Counterterrorism Division Federal Bureau of Investigation

**Magnus Ranstorp**, Research Director,  
Center for Asymmetric Threat Studies Swedish Defence University

10:45 — *Coffee Break*

11:00

## **PANEL V — Challenges to Progress: Technology and other 21st Century Stressors**

This session will address the ways in which technology has impacted both radicalization and terrorism. Different aspects of the information domain will be discussed, including communications applications, crypto currencies, and a variety of social media platforms.

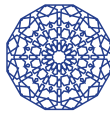
**MODERATOR: Steve Clemons**, Editor at Large, The Atlantic

**Faisal Mohamed Al-Emadi**, Executive Director of Programs, Silatech

**Dr. Elisabeth Kendall**, Senior Research Fellow in Arabic & Islamic Studies,  
Pembroke College, University of Oxford

**Eric Rosand**, Director, The Prevention Project

**David Scharia** Chief of Branch, Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directive  
(CTED)



12:30 — *Lunch*

14:00

## **Fireside Chat**

**His Excellency Panos Kammenos**

Minister of National Defence, Greece

*With New York Times, Pulitzer Prize Winner Charlie Savage*

14:45

## **PANEL VI — Collaborating Across Sectors: A Whole of Society Approach to Effective Policy Development and Creative Solutions to Manage Returnee Flows of Men, Women, and Children**

This session will deconstruct specific returnee populations, specifically exploring their security risk and options after they return home. Challenges in coordinating State responses and accepting returnees will be explored. The particular cases of women and children, and how State responses vary for those populations, will be addressed.

**MODERATOR: Bobby Ghosh**, Journalist and Commentator, Bloomberg

**Mia Bloom** Professor of Communication, Georgia State University

**Fabrizio Carboni**, Regional Director for the Near and Middle East  
International. Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)

**Dr. Rohan Gunaratana**, Professor of Security Studies, Nanyang Technology University

**Francesca Mannoichi**, Journalist and Director

16:15 — *Coffee Break*

16:30

## **Closing Remarks and Looking Ahead**

16:45

## **The Looming Tower**

**Screening and Discussion with Lawrence Wright and Ali Soufan**