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Understanding Radicalisation



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**The School of Psychology presents:
A one-day Seminar and Workshop with Levi West
Director of Terrorism Studies at the Australian
Graduate School of Policing and Security**



Where: The Uni Hall

Where: University of Wollongong

When: 9.00am – 4.45pm

20 May, 2016

About the facilitator:

Levi West has an extensive background in national security focused academia, with a focus on non-State violence, insurgency and terrorism. He currently directs a post-graduate coursework program at the Australian Graduate School of Policing and Security, as well as undertaking research in the areas of terrorism and national security.

He has previously lectured at the National Security College at the Australian National University; at the Australian Command and Staff College at the Australian Defence College; at the Jakarta Centre for Law Enforcement Cooperation in Indonesia; and has been a Visiting Fellow in Terrorism and Counter Terrorism at the Indian National Police Academy. Levi has also travelled and worked in Israel and Palestine, having been a 2011 Australia Israel Jewish Affairs Council Rambam Israel Fellow.

Levi previously worked as a researcher at the Centre for the Study of the Presidency and Congress in Washington D.C., where he undertook research on the impact of non-state actors on traditional conceptualisations of deterrence. Levi lectures and consults to a range of government (military, intelligence, and law enforcement) and non-government audiences both in Australia and overseas, and is regularly sought out by the media for commentary on matters related to terrorism and national security.



Time	Session Description:
8.30am	Registrations
9.00am	Remote Radicalisation: Social Media Facilitation
10.30am	Morning Tea
11.00am	Violence for a Cause: Ideology and Extremism
11.45am	The Radicalisation Process: Creating an Extremist
12.30pm	LUNCH
1.30pm	Context and Root Causes: The Environment of Extremism
2.15pm	Foreign Fighters: Transnational Identity
3.00pm	Afternoon Tea
3.30pm	Individual and Small Cell Strategies: 'Lone-Wolves' & 'Home-Grown'
4.15pm	Q&A
4.45pm	Close

This Seminar and Workshop is designed to provide participants with a research informed overview of the violent extremism environment with a particular focus on radicalisation and technology.

- An overview of the role of transnational criminal activity in the financing and resourcing of terrorism
- Deepened understanding of how social media contributes to violent extremism
- Understand the strategic context and intent of 'home-grown' and 'lone-wolf' terrorism
- An overview of the existing knowledge of the motivations that can contribute to foreign fighter radicalisation
- Consider the likely future of terrorism and the possible motivations

Cost:

\$175.00 - Morning and Afternoon teas included (Lunch is available at own cost on campus)

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