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Eurasia and Armed Radicalism

Spaces, flows and finances of an evolving terrorism

Restricted Seminar

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Venue: *Berlin, AXICA Kongress- und Tagungszentrum, Pariser Platz 3*

9,00-9,30 *Registration and welcome coffee*

9,30-10,00 *Welcome remarks*

- **Amb. Alessandro Minuto-Rizzo**, President NATO Defense College Foundation *
- **Amb. Harald Kindermann**, Secretary General, German Council on Foreign Relations (DGAP) *

Opening remarks

- **Stefanie Babst**, Head for Strategic Analysis Capability, Emerging Security Challenges, NATO HQ, Brussels *

10,00-11,15

THE DIFFUSION AND CONFUSION OF ARMED RADICALISM

While Al Qaeda was a global network availing itself of existing recognised or de facto governments, other prominent radical armed groups have created a de facto entity that destroys established borders and extends its influence to other “provinces”, also by incorporating older terror groups. What will be the development of the entity sprawling across SYRAQ? And how can governments of the wider region and NATO co-operate?

- Chair: **Matteo Bressan**, Middle East author and journalist, Rome *
- **Peter Neumann**, King’s College, London *
- **Anne Giudicelli**, president and founder of TERR(o)RISC, Paris *
- **Oded Eran**, Senior Researcher, Institute for National Security Studies, Tel Aviv *

Q&A

11,15-12,30

ASIATIC VETERANS AND FOLLOWERS

The phenomenon of armed radicalism, although having a strong regional and local character, needs to be considered in its wider dimension: Middle Eastern developments reverberate in the rest of Asia, continental and insular alike. The panel tries to bring together an Asia-Pacific perspective from different angles including bigger and smaller countries.

Chair: **TBD**

- **Alain Juillet**, President Club des Directeurs de Sécurité des Entreprises, Paris *
- **Zhou Qi**, Senior researcher and executive director of National Strategy Institute, Tsinghua University, Beijing *
- **Claude Salhani**, Political analyst, Baku *

Q&A

12,30-13,30

Light lunch

13,30-15,00

POST-QAEDA FUNDING

Funding is actually considered the critical and still to be tackled dimension of terrorism. During the Cold War it was mainly a governmental undercover operation, while bin Laden succeeded in privatising and “liberalising” terrorist financing and operations. The panel explores the new and complex reality of terrorism financing in terms of covert private and public funding, criminal trafficking and money laundering.

Chair: **Henning Riecke**, Head of Transatlantic Relations Program, German Council on Foreign Relations (DGAP), Berlin *

- **Tom Keatinge**, Director, Centre for Financial Crime and Security Studies, RUSI, London *
- **Ernesto Savona**, Director of Transcrime, Università Cattolica, Milan *
- **Louise Shelley**, Director of the TraCCC (Terrorism, Transnational Crime and Corruption Center), Fairfax, USA *

Q&A

15,00-15,10

Final remarks

Karl-Heinz Kamp, President of the BAKS (Bundesakademie für Sicherheitspolitik), Berlin*

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