YOUTH AND THE ALLURE OF TERRORISM: IDENTITY, RECRUITMENT AND PUBLIC DIPLOMACY

Symposium Conveners: Dr. Eric Davis, Department of Political Science, Rutgers University-New Brunswick, and Dr. Jean-Marc Coicaud, Division of Global Affairs and Rutgers School of Law
Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey
Oct. 18-21, 2015

PROGRAM

SUNDAY EVENING, October 18th - Rutgers Conference Center & Eagleton Institute of Politics

PLENARY

Reception – Rutgers Inn and Conference Center: 5:00–5:45

Welcoming remarks – 5:45-6:30

Dr. Barbara Lee, Senior Academic Vice President, Rutgers University
H.E. Ambassador Lukman Faily, Embassy of the Republic of Iraq, Washington, DC
Dr. Clifton Lacy, Director, Institute for Emergency Preparedness and Homeland Security, Rutgers University
Dr. James Masschaele, Vice Executive Dean, School of Arts and Sciences, Rutgers University
Dr. Eugene Murphy, Assistant Vice President of International and Global Affairs, Rutgers University

Dinner – Eagleton Institute of Politics 7:15

MONDAY MORNING, October 19th - Trayes, Douglass College Center

Registration – 8:00 – 9:00

Introduction – Dr. Eric Davis and Dr. Jean-Marc Coicaud
9:00

Welcome:

John Farmer, University Professor, Rutgers School of Law, and founding member, Institute for Emergency Preparedness and Homeland Security, Rutgers University
Richard Lau, Chair, Department of Political Science, Rutgers University-New Brunswick

Panel 1: Conceptual and Ideological Bases of the Discourse of Terrorism
9:30-10:45
Panel 2: Social Psychological and Ideological Dimensions of Attraction to Terrorist Movements
11:00-12:30

Chair: Olivier Walther, Department of Border Regions Studies, University of Southern Denmark

Faris Kamal Nadhmi, Professor of Social Psychology, College of Arts, Salahaddin University, Erbil, Iraq Radical Islamist Youth: The Social Psychology of Identity Crises
Nareen Mamkak, Instructor of Kurdiology, College of Administration and Education, Salahaddin University, Erbil, Iraq Youth Attraction to Radical Islamism in Iraqi Kurdistan
Samuel (Muli) Peleg, Director of Development, MA Program in Political Science - United Nations and Global Policy Studies, Rutgers University The Social Psychology of Jewish Terrorists in Israel
Abdalla Uba Adamu, Department of Science and Technology Education, and Department of Mass Communications, Bayero University, Kano, Nigeria On the Edge of Darkness: Muslim Hausa Youth, Insurgent Militancy and the Nigerian State
Harith Hasan al-Qarawee, Radcliffe Institute, Harvard University and Crown Fellow, Brandeis University The IS and Sectarianism in Iraq: The Political Psychology of State Failure

Discussant: Roy Licklider, Department of Political Science, Rutgers University-New Brunswick

Lunch - Trayes Hall, Douglass College Center, Rutgers University 12:30-1:30

MONDAY AFTERNOON October 19th

Panel 3: Patterns of Recruitment in Terrorist Movements
1:30-3:15

Chair: Norman Samuels, University Professor, School of Criminal Justice, Rutgers University-Newark

Seyni Moumouni, Department of Islamic Studies, Université Isalmique de Niamey “Jeunes et mouvances islamiques au Niger: engagement et radicalization”
Mouayad al-Windawi, Department of History, Baghdad University and UNAMI (Jordan) Patterns of Recruitment to the Islamic State (Da’sh)
Ayman Grada, Boston University Medical School Carrots and Sticks: A Model of Youth Recruitment to Radical Islamist Movements in Libya
Abbas Kadhim, President, Institute for Shia Studies, Non-Resident Fellow, SAIS, Johns-Hopkins University, Washington, DC  *Shi’a and Sunni Militancy: a Comparative Examination of Causes, Methods, and Objectives*

Discussant: Matteo Legrenzi, School of International Relations, Università Ca’ Foscari, Venice, Italy

Coffee break 3:15-3:30

**Panel 4: Youth and the Gender Politics of Terrorist Movements**  
3:30-5:15

Chair: Ousseina Alidou, Department of African, Middle Eastern and South Asian Languages and Literatures (AMESALL), Rutgers University-New Brunswick

Saladdin Ahmed, Department of Social Sciences, Mardin University, Turkey  *Womenless Space-the Gender Pathology of the Islamic State*

Hala Sarraf, Director, Iraq Health Aid Organization  *Living under Da’ash: A Study of Iraqi Displaced Populations in Conflict Zones of Iraq*

Dilar Dirik, Department of Sociology, Cambridge University  *The Rojava Kurdish Revolution and its Implications for Fighting Gender Inequality in the Middle East*

Ousseina Alidou, Department of African, Middle East and South Asian Languages and Literatures  *Boko Haram/Religious Fundamentalism, the Militarization of the Sahel and Gendered Consequences*

Discussant: Mona Lena Krook, Department of Political Science, Rutgers University-New Brunswick

**MONDAY EVENING October 19th**

Rutgers Inn and Conference Center  
Dinner  6:30-8

H.E. Ambassador Hassana Alidou, Embassy of the Republic of Niger, Washington, DC  *The Role of the Government and University in Combating Radical Extremism among Youth in Niger*

Dr. Akeel Yasseen, President, University of Kufa, Kufa, Iraq  *Developing Civic and National Consciousness among Iraqi Youth at the University of Kufa*

Dr. Keiji Nakatsuji, Dean, Graduate School of International Relations, Ritsumeikan University, Kyoto, Japan  *Promoting Tolerance and Civic Consciousness among Japanese Youth at Ritsumeikan University*
TUESDAY MORNING October 20th
9-10:45

Panel 5: COUNTERING THE TERRORIST THREAT I: ACTIVISM AND ALTERNATIVES TO RADICAL EXTREMISM AMONG YOUTH

Chair: Leslie Kennedy, University Professor, School of Criminal Justice, Rutgers University-Newark

Sabreen Kadhim Shanshal – al-Hurra Broadcasting, Baghdad, Iraq The Impact of Iraqi Civil Society Organizations on Youth: a Case Study of “I am Iraqi, I Read”

Chérif Chako, Department of Economics, Université Abdou Moumouni, Niamey Niger- RENIPESS Reconciling Socio-religious Differences between Muslim and Christian Youth in Niger

Brian Daniels, Director of Research and Programs, the PENN Center for Cultural Heritage, University of Pennsylvania Youth and the Destruction of Cultural Heritage in Syria and Iraq

Javaria Saeed, Head, Muslim Youth Partnership Department, and Sergeant, Counter Terrorism Command, Scotland Yard, London #IWantAVoice - Radicalization and Partnership with Young Muslims

Abbas Fadhil, Department of Political Science, Baghdad University, and Department of Political Science, Rutgers University Youth, Civil Society and Political Reform in Iraq: the 2015 Demonstrations against Corruption and Authoritarian Rule

Discussant: Dr. Robert Kaufman, Department of Political Science, Rutgers University-New Brunswick

Coffee break 10:45-11

TUESDAY MORNING October 20th
11:00-12:00

Panel 6: COUNTERING THE TERRORIST THREAT II: ACTIVISM AND ALTERNATIVES TO RADICAL EXTREMISM AMONG YOUTH

Hassan Nadhem, Director, UNESCO Chair for Dialogue and Islamic Religious Studies, University of Kufa, Kufa, Iraq The Role of the UNESCO Chair in Combating Radical Extremism among Youth in Iraq

Sayaka Fukumi, Graduate School of International Affairs, Ritsumeikan University, Kyoto, Japan Youth and Criminality: Implications for a Better Understanding of Global Terrorism

Viraj LeBailly, Deputy Director, Political Training Division, Foreign Service Institute, U.S. Department of State Preparing Foreign Affairs Professionals: Training for Coordination, Understanding of, and Networking against Terrorism

LUNCH 12:00-1:15 p.m.
TUESDAY AFTERNOON  October 20\textsuperscript{th}

Panel 7: INTER-FAITH ROUNDTABLE: THE ROLE OF RELIGION IN COMBATING RADICAL EXTREMISM AMONG YOUTH
1:15-2:30 – 3:00-4:15 p.m.

Moderator: Hassan Nadhem, Director, UNESCO Chair for the Development of Inter-Religious Dialogue Studies in the Islamic World, University of Kufa, Kufa, Iraq
Co-moderators: Jean-Marc Coicaud and Eric Davis

Rabbi Reuven Firestone, Regenstein Professor in Medieval Judaism and Islam, Hebrew Union College, Los Angeles, CA
Imam Magid Mohammed, Executive Director, All Dulles Area Muslim Society (ADAMS), Sterling, VA
Arsalan Suleman, United States Special Envoy to the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), and Principal Level Officer, Secretary of State’s Office of Religion & Global Affairs, US Department of State, Washington, DC
Rabbi Sivan Malkin Maas, Dean, Tmura-Institute for Training Secular Humanistic Rabbis and Jewish Leadership, Israel
Sayyid Jawad al-Khoei, Secretary General, Al-Khoei Institute, al-Najaf al Ashraf, Iraq
Rev. Dr. Alison Boden, Dean of Religious Life and of the Chapel, Princeton University, Princeton, New Jersey
Sayyid Mohammad Baqir al-Kashmiri Head, Department of Religious Studies, Imam Mahdi Association of Marjaeya, and North American representative of Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani
Dr. Andrew Murphy, Department of Political Science, Rutgers University-New Brunswick

Coffee break 2:30-2:45

TUESDAY EVENING  October 20\textsuperscript{th}

Dinner: 7:00-9:00

Augustus Richard Norton, Director, Institute for Iraqi Studies, and Professor of Anthropology and International Relations, Boston University Modern Hatreds and Middle East Rivals

WEDNESDAY MORNING October 21\textsuperscript{st}

Roundtable: Moving Forward with the Project: Youth and Combating Radical Extremism in the 21\textsuperscript{st} Century
9:00-11:00

Moderators: Eric Davis, Jean-Marc Coicaud and John Cohen, School of Criminal Justice, and Senior Adviser, Institute of Emergency Preparedness and Homeland Security, Rutgers University-Newark
Themes and strategies in countering radical extremism among youth
Future conferences and workshops
Development of the Global Futures University Consortium

LUNCH AND FINAL REMARKS 11:00-12:30

PLANNING SESSION – 1:00-4:00 “Youth and Combating Radical Extremism in the 21st Century” – venue TBA