



Preventing Violent Extremism in North Africa: Time to Rethink Approaches and Strategies?

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This workshop inaugurates the MEDITERRANEAN FUTURE FORUM, an initiative of CIDOB, with the support of the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, to anticipate the new challenges shared by European and North African countries. The MEDITERRANEAN FUTURE FORUM brings together scholars, practitioners, civil society members and policy makers from Europe and North Africa to foster out-of-the-box thinking and encourage intensive exchanges between a wide range of stakeholders.

- 09.15 **Welcome**
Jordi Bacaria, Director, Barcelona Centre for International Affairs (CIDOB)
Wilhelm Hofmeister, Director, Konrad Adenauer Foundation in Spain and Portugal
- 09.30 **First roundtable: From Understanding to Addressing Violent Extremism: Towards Comprehensive Approaches?**
This roundtable will focus on the different approaches to violent extremism. The invited speakers will discuss the existing approaches, comparing the dominant approaches to violent extremism in Europe and those used in North Africa.
Amel Boubekeur, Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (France)
Asiem El Difraoui, Candid Foundation (Germany)
Laila Fathi, Researcher, Search for Common Ground (Morocco)
*Chair: **Moussa Bourekba**, researcher, CIDOB*
- 10.00 **Discussion with experts and stakeholders on violent extremism**
- 11.00 Coffee break
- 11.30 **Second roundtable: Case Studies of National and Local PVE Strategies**
This session will deal with different types of PVE strategies implemented at national and local levels. The invited speakers will introduce a case study based on a project, an initiative or policy to show its strengths and limits.
Laila Fathi, Researcher, Search for Common Ground (Morocco)
Akram Kharief, Independent journalist (Algeria)
Habib M. Sayah, Cofounder, Intric8 (Tunisia)
Mohamed El Jarh, Nonresident fellow, Atlantic Council (Libya)
*Chair: **Diego Muro**, Associate Senior Researcher, CIDOB*
- 12.30 **Discussion with experts and stakeholders on violent extremism**
- 13.15 **Conclusions and recommendations**
- 14.00 **End of the meeting and lunch**