Introduction

In the still expanding field of Terrorism Studies, it is difficult to keep track of who is doing what. Anyone looking for a research partner, a particular type of expertise or, perhaps, a research position, will have a hard time finding his or her way in the myriad of centres, institutes, think tanks, councils and foundations that seek to enlarge our understanding of terrorism. Since ‘enhancing security through collaborative research’ is the mission of the Terrorism Research Initiative (TRI), the editors of its journal Perspectives on Terrorism invited me to compile a list of terrorism research centres.

What is a terrorism research centre? There is a vast number of organisations that at some point in their existence conducted terrorism research, but in order to keep this survey manageable, the focus here is on organisations that have terrorism research as a ‘core business’, i.e. that have a department or a programme specifically devoted to terrorism or counter-terrorism and/or that list terrorism and related forms of political violence as one of their research priorities. It is important to note that only organisations with English-language websites are included.

To a significant extent, the list below is building on previous efforts to make an inventory of security and terrorism research centres. First of all, a similar list appeared in Perspectives on Terrorism in 2010 (vol. 5, no. 4). Many of the research centres on that list are still active; therefore, they have been included in the list presented below. Another useful source was the list of ‘Top Defense and National Security Think Tanks’ from the 2016 Global Go To Think Tank Index Report, which contains rank-ordered lists of the most influential think tanks in several categories. Not all think tanks in the category ‘Defense and National Security’ conduct terrorism research, but some of them certainly do. Therefore, a selection from the ‘go to’-think tanks index has been included here as well. Third, the reports of the United Nations’ Counter-Terrorism Executive Directorate (UN-CTED) contain the names of some of the participants in the UN’s Global Research Network. Clearly, these participants qualify for a place in the list (as does the network itself). In addition, Google online searches with combinations of search terms like ‘terrorism’, ‘research’, ‘think tank’ and ‘university’ were helpful in finding organisations that did not appear in one of the sources already mentioned.

The organisations identified here have been divided into six categories: (i) universities, (ii) think tanks, (iii) government organisations, (iv) networks, (v) commercial organisations and (vi) other organisations. As this is a list of research organisations, we only included government and commercial organisations that publish freely available research reports in English. Within the six categories, the organisations are listed alphabetically, but no distinction has been made between the British and American spelling of ‘centre’/’center’.

All entries on the list below contain the organisation’s location, its affiliated organisation, its type, the name of its director, a link to its website (or to the site describing its work on terrorism), an e-mail address (or a link to a contact form) and, if readily available, a brief description of the organisation’s work. For the organisations in the category ‘other’, a short characterisation has been added (‘type’). Most of these data points are self-evident, but three may warrant a brief explanation:

- **Location**: this refers to the city where the organisation is based, but the state has been added to the locations of US-based organisations, not only to be more specific about the location, but also to avoid misunderstandings about whether a certain city is in the US, Canada, the UK or Australia. In cases where the reader might be in doubt regarding the specific location of a city, the country has been added.

- **Affiliated organisation**: this refers to organisations that the research centres listed are part of (e.g., some research centres are parts of a faculty and a university).
• **Director**: the people named as ‘director’ are the director of the organisation that is listed - unless stated otherwise between brackets.

We are under no illusion regarding the completeness of this list; therefore, we encourage readers of *Perspectives on Terrorism* to come forward (through info@terrorismanalysts.com) with suggestions for terrorism research centres that might be included in a future inventory. Since the list has been compiled based only on the websites of the organisations, some of the information below may be outdated. We corrected some entries that we knew to be no longer accurate, but since we did not have the time to double-check all information, we cannot rule out the possibility that some of the information presented below is already outdated. Finally, the presence or absence of research centres in the present list should not be viewed as a value judgment on the quality of the research conducted at these organisations.

1 **Universities**

Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs

**Location**: Cambridge, MA

**Affiliated organisation**: Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government

**Director**: William H. Tobey


**Contact**: simon_saradzhyan@hks.harvard.edu

**Focus**: nuclear terrorism and the proliferation of nuclear weapons.

1.1 Centre for Asymmetric Threat Studies

**Location**: Stockholm

**Affiliated organisation**: Swedish Defence University

**Director**: Magnus Ranstorp


**Contact**: registrator@fhs.se

**Focus**: strategic counterterrorism policy, intelligence studies.

1.2 Centre for Conflict, Security and Terrorism

**Location**: Nottingham (UK)

**Affiliated organisation**: School of Politics and International Relations, University of Nottingham

**Director**: Rory Cormac and Andrew Mumford

**Website**: [http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/cst/](http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/cst/)

**Contact**: cst@nottingham.ac.uk

**Focus**: “security politics in the UK and internationally”. 
1.3 Center for Cyber and Homeland Security

**Location:** Washington, DC

**Affiliated organisation:** George Washington University

**Director:** Frank J. Cilluffo

**Website:** [https://cchs.gwu.edu/counterterrorism-intelligence](https://cchs.gwu.edu/counterterrorism-intelligence)

**Contact:** CCHS@gwu.edu

**Focus:** the centre mentions ‘Counterterrorism and Intelligence’ and ‘Homegrown terror & radicalization’ as research topics.

1.4 Center for Defense and Security Studies

**Location:** Winnipeg (Canada)

**Affiliated organisation:** Faculty of Arts, University of Manitoba

**Director:** Andrea Charron

**Website:** [http://umanitoba.ca/centres/cdss/index.html](http://umanitoba.ca/centres/cdss/index.html)

**Contact:** cdss@umanitoba.ca

**Focus:** not stated specifically with regard to terrorism.

1.5 Center for International Security and Cooperation

**Location:** Stanford, CA

**Affiliated organisation:** Stanford University

**Director / contact person:** Martha Crenshaw, Joseph Felter

**Website:** [https://cisac.fsi.stanford.edu/research/organization/6069/67114](https://cisac.fsi.stanford.edu/research/organization/6069/67114)

**Contact:** https://cisac.fsi.stanford.edu/about-cisac

**Focus:** one of CISAC’s research areas is ‘Terrorism and Homeland Security’; research focuses on “the nature and organizational structure of international terrorist organizations, and how best to prevent, mitigate, or counter violence committed by non-state actors”.

1.6 Center on Law and Security

**Location:** New York

**Affiliated organisation:** NYU School of Law

**Director:** Samuel J. Rascoff

**Website:** [https://www.lawandsecurity.org/](https://www.lawandsecurity.org/)

**Contact:** cls@mercury.law.nyu.edu

**Focus:** big data techniques to counter violent extremism online.
1.7 Center on National Security

**Location:** New York

**Affiliated organisation:** Fordham University School of Law

**Director:** Karen J. Greenberg

**Website:** [http://www.centeronnationalsecurity.org/](http://www.centeronnationalsecurity.org/)

**Contact:** nationalsecurity@law.fordham.edu

**Focus:** the prosecution of jihadist terrorists in the US.

1.8 Center for Strategic Communication

**Location:** Tempe, AZ

**Affiliated organisation:** Arizona State University

**Director:** Steve Corman

**Website:** [http://csc.asu.edu/](http://csc.asu.edu/)

**Contact:** csc.hdshc@asu.edu

**Focus:** “countering ideological support for terrorism”.

1.9 Center on Terrorism

**Location:** New York

**Affiliated organisation:** John Jay College of Criminal Justice

**Director:** Charles B. Strozier

**Website:** [http://www.jjay.cuny.edu/center-terrorism](http://www.jjay.cuny.edu/center-terrorism)

**Contact:** terrorism@jjay.cuny.edu

**Focus:** “The goals of the Center are to study terrorism conceptually in ways that are familiar and appropriate for a university and to identify the practical applications of that knowledge in the search for alternative forms of human security.”

1.10 Center for Terrorism Law

**Location:** San Antonio, TX

**Affiliated organisation:** School of Law, St. Mary’s University

**Director:** Jeffrey F. Addicott

**Website:** [https://law.stmarytx.edu/academics/special-programs/center-for-terrorism-law/](https://law.stmarytx.edu/academics/special-programs/center-for-terrorism-law/)

**Contact:** terrorismlaw@stmarytx.edu

**Focus:** “legal issues associated with antiterrorism and counterterrorism. Particular emphasis is given to cyberterrorism, bioterrorism, critical infrastructure and information assurance technologies”.


1.11 Center for Terrorism and Security Studies

**Location**: Lowell, MA

**Affiliated organisation**: School of Criminology and Justice Studies, UMass Lowell

**Director**: Neil Shortland

**Website**: [https://www.uml.edu/Research/CTSS/](https://www.uml.edu/Research/CTSS/)

**Contact**: ctss@uml.edu

**Focus**: CTSS “leads and facilitates scientific research, education and training to help understand and respond to the evolution, convergence and complexity of domestic and foreign security challenges”. The CTSS was originally established by Prof. James J.F. Forest, who is co-editor of Perspectives on Terrorism and a Jury member of TRI’s Annual Award for the Best Ph.D. Thesis in the field of Terrorism Studies.

1.12 Centre for Research and Evidence on Security Threats

**Location**: Lancaster (UK)

**Affiliated organisation**: Economic & Social Research Council, Lancaster University

**Director**: Paul Taylor

**Website**: [https://crestresearch.ac.uk/](https://crestresearch.ac.uk/)

**Contact**: [https://crestresearch.ac.uk/contact/](https://crestresearch.ac.uk/contact/)

**Focus**: the website lists five programmes:

- Actors and narratives
- Ideas, beliefs and values in social contexts
- Understanding and countering online behaviour
- Eliciting information
- Protective security and risk assessment

1.13 Center for Research on Extremism

**Location**: Oslo

**Affiliated organisation**: Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Oslo

**Director**: Tore Bjørgo

**Website**: [http://www.sv.uio.no/c-rex/english/](http://www.sv.uio.no/c-rex/english/)

**Contact**: post@c-rex.uio.no

**Focus**: the causes and consequences of violent right-wing extremism, policies against violent right-wing extremism.

1.14 Center for Risk and Economic Analysis of Terrorism Events

**Location**: Los Angeles

**Affiliated organisation**: University of Southern California
1.15 Center for Security Studies

**Location**: Zürich (Switzerland)

**Affiliated organisation**: ETH Zürich, Department of Humanities, Social and Political Sciences

**Director**: Andreas Wenger


**Contact**: karrer@sipo.gess.ethz.ch

**Focus**: “all forms of counter-terrorism measures past and present, from the Indian-Pakistani conflict to the US’ ‘Global War on Terror’ and European security challenges.”

1.16 Chicago Center for Security and Threats

**Location**: Chicago

**Affiliated organisation**: University of Chicago

**Director**: Robert A. Pape

**Website**: [https://cpost.uchicago.edu/](https://cpost.uchicago.edu/)

**Contact**: cpost@uchicago.edu

**Focus**: suicide terrorism (including maintaining a suicide attack database).

1.17 Conflict, Terrorism and Peace Group

**Location**: Auckland (New Zealand)

**Affiliated organisation**: School of Social Sciences, University of Auckland

**Director**: Chris Wilson (group convenor)


**Contact**: socialsciences@auckland.ac.nz

**Focus**: “the causes, dynamics, aftermath and prevention of all types of violent conflict; inter-state war; ethnic violence and civil conflict; terrorism and counter-terrorism; genocide and mass killing; peacebuilding and post-conflict reconstruction; and humanitarian intervention”.

1.18 Council on Foreign Relations

**Location**: New York and Washington, DC
Affiliated organisation: n.a.
Director: Richard N. Haass
Website: https://www.cfr.org/defense-and-security/terrorism-and-counterterrorism
Contact: https://www.cfr.org/contact-us
Focus: not stated specifically with regard to terrorism.

1.19 Cranfield Forensic Institute
Location: Cranfield (UK)
Affiliated organisation: Cranfield University
Director: Andrew Silke (Professor of Risk, Terrorism and Resilience)
Website: https://www.cranfield.ac.uk/centres/cranfield-forensic-institute
Contact: A.Silke@cranfield.ac.uk
Focus: “(1) radicalisation and de-radicalisation processes; (2) risk assessment; (3) prison, detention and terrorism; (4) counterterrorism strategies; and (5) climate change and terrorism”.

1.20 Cyberterrorism Project
Location: not stated
Affiliated organisation: Swansea University
Directors: Thomas Chen, Lee Jarvis, Stuart Macdonald
Website: http://www.cyberterrorism-project.org/
Contact: ctproject@swansea.ac.uk
Focus: cyberterrorism.

1.21 Department of Politics and International Relations
Location: Reading (UK)
Affiliated organisation: University of Reading
Director: Colin Gray
Website: http://www.reading.ac.uk/spirs/research/spirs-cssresearchcluster.aspx
Contact: politics@reading.ac.uk
Focus: critical terrorism studies.

1.22 Department of Security Studies and Criminology
Location: Macquarie County (Australia)
Affiliated organisation: Macquarie University
Director/contact person: Julian Droogan

Contact: bighistoryinstitute@mq.edu.au

Focus: the website lists the following priorities:

- Determine the drivers of violent extremism domestically and nationally
- Map the nature and effectiveness of CVE programs in Australia and abroad
- Provide research into violent extremist narratives and counter narratives
- Deliver policy advice on how best to support CT and CVE in Australia
- Research emerging trends in terrorism such as the cyber domain.

1.23 Global Studies Institute

**Location:** Atlanta, GA

**Affiliated organisation:** Georgia State University

**Director:** Tony Lemieux

**Website:** [http://gsi.gsu.edu/research/conflict-violence-and-terrorism/](http://gsi.gsu.edu/research/conflict-violence-and-terrorism/)

**Contact:** globalstudies@gsu.edu

Focus: not stated specifically with regard to terrorism.

1.24 Global Terrorism Research Centre

**Location:** Monash (Australia)

**Affiliated organisation:** Monash University

**Director:** Pete Lentini


**Contact:** [http://artsonline.monash.edu.au/gtrec/contact-us/](http://artsonline.monash.edu.au/gtrec/contact-us/)

Focus: “research into terrorism, counter-terrorism, cultural conflict and cooperation”.

1.25 GW Program on Extremism

**Location:** Washington, DC

**Affiliated organisation:** George Washington University

**Director:** Lorenzo Vidino

**Website:** [https://extremism.gwu.edu/](https://extremism.gwu.edu/)

**Contact:** extremism@gwu.edu

Focus: ISIS in America, American foreign fighters and ISIS’ online activities.
1.26 Handa Centre for the Study of Terrorism and Political Violence

**Location:** St Andrews (UK)

**Affiliated organisation:** University of St Andrews

**Director:** Tim Wilson

**Website:** https://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/~cstpv/

**Contact:** Gillian Brunton (gm39@st-andrews.ac.uk)

**Focus:** “the causes, dynamics, characteristics and consequences of terrorism and related forms of political violence”.

1.27 Institute for Conflict Management

**Location:** Delhi

**Affiliated organisation:** n.a.

**Director:** K.P.S. Gill

**Website:** http://www.satp.org/satporgtp/icm/index.html

**Contact:** icm@satp.org

**Focus:** “terrorism, low intensity warfare, sectarian and other conflict, developmental and economic policies in areas of widespread disorder and the effective civil administration of areas under threat of terrorism or other patterns of widespread strife” (the geographical focus is on India and South Asia).

1.28 Institute for National Security and Counterterrorism

**Location:** Syracuse, NY

**Affiliated organisation:** Syracuse University

**Director:** William C. Banks

**Website:** http://insct.syr.edu/

**Contact:** insct@syr.edu

**Focus:** national and international security, counterterrorism and post-conflict reconstruction.

1.29 Institute of Security and Global Affairs

**Location:** The Hague

**Affiliated organisation:** Leiden University, Campus The Hague

**Director:** position vacant; until recently Edwin Bakker

**Website:** https://www.universiteitleiden.nl/governance-and-global-affairs/institute-of-security-and-global-affairs

**Contact:** ctc@fgga.leidenuniv.nl

**Focus:** interdisciplinary research and teaching in the field of security studies, using a ‘glocal’ approach, i.e. local, national, transnational and global impact are studied and analysed in conjunction with each other. ISGA
and TRI are parent organisations of *Perspectives on Terrorism*.

1.30  Institute for Security Policy

**Location:** Kiel (Germany)

**Affiliated organisation:** Christian-Albrechts Universität zu Kiel

**Director:** Joachim Krause

**Website:** [http://www.ispk.uni-kiel.de/en](http://www.ispk.uni-kiel.de/en)

**Contact:** shansen@politik.uni-kiel.de

**Focus:** the institute publishes a yearbook on terrorism.

1.31  Institute for the Study of Violent Groups

**Location:** New Haven, CT

**Affiliated organisation:** University of New Haven

**Director:** Richard Ward

**Website:** [http://www.isvg.org/organization.php](http://www.isvg.org/organization.php)

**Contact:** [http://www.isvg.org/organization-contact.php](http://www.isvg.org/organization-contact.php)

**Focus:** ISVG maintains a large database on extremist organizations worldwide.

1.32  Institute for the Theory & Practice of International Relations

**Location:** Williamsburg, VA

**Affiliated organisation:** William & Mary College

**Director:** Steve Shellman

**Website:** [http://www.wm.edu/offices/itpir/projects/vipcat/](http://www.wm.edu/offices/itpir/projects/vipcat/)

**Contact:** smshel@wm.edu

**Focus:** not stated specifically with regard to terrorism.

1.33  International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research

**Location:** Singapore

**Affiliated organisation:** Nanyang Technical University, S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies

**Director:** Rohan Gunaratna

**Website:** [http://www.rsis.edu.sg/research/icpvtr/](http://www.rsis.edu.sg/research/icpvtr/)

**Contact:** contact form at [http://www.rsis.edu.sg/research/icpvtr/](http://www.rsis.edu.sg/research/icpvtr/)

**Focus:** not stated specifically.
1.34 International Centre for the Study of Radicalisation

**Location:** London

**Affiliated organisation:** King's College London, War Studies Department

**Director:** Peter Neumann

**Website:** [http://icsr.info/](http://icsr.info/)

**Contact:** mail@icsr.info

**Focus:** ICSR's research strands include:
- Countering terrorist financing
- Jihadist media strategy
- Western foreign fighters in Syria
- De-radicalisation
- Europe’s new far-right
- The King’s programme for Middle East Dialogue

1.35 International Crisis Group

**Location:** Brussels (HQ), New York, Washington, DC and London

**Affiliated organisation:** n.a.

**Director:** Robert Malley

**Website:** [https://www.crisisgroup.org/](https://www.crisisgroup.org/)

**Contact:** [https://www.crisisgroup.org/contact-us](https://www.crisisgroup.org/contact-us)

**Focus:** the website lists two ‘Global Issues’ related to terrorism, i.e. ‘Jihad in Modern Conflict’ and ‘The Boko Haram Insurgency’.

1.36 International Institute for Counter-Terrorism

**Location:** Herzliya, Israel

**Affiliated organisation:** Interdisciplinary Center

**Director:** Boaz Ganor

**Website:** [http://www.ict.org.il](http://www.ict.org.il)

**Contact:** ict@idc.ac.il

**Focus:** ICT organizes an annual World Summit on Counter-Terrorism in early September of each year and is the home of many academics with CT practitioner backgrounds. ICT’s website lists eight ‘desks’:
- Cyber
- International humanitarian law
- CBRN
- Jihadi websites monitoring
• Governance and political violence
• Database
• Terrorist prosecution
• Extremism and hate crime

1.37 Middlebury Institute of International Studies at Monterey

**Location:** Monterey, CA

**Affiliated organisation:** n.a.

**Director:** Jeff Dayton-Johnson

**Website:** [http://www.miis.edu/academics/researchcenters/terrorism-research](http://www.miis.edu/academics/researchcenters/terrorism-research)

**Contact:** [http://www.miis.edu/about/contact](http://www.miis.edu/about/contact)

**Focus:** “terrorism and counterterrorism, extremist groups, regional studies of terrorism, and related aspects of international and homeland security”.

1.38 National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism

**Location:** College Park, MD

**Affiliated organisation:** University of Maryland

**Director:** Gary LaFree

**Website:** [http://www.start.umd.edu/](http://www.start.umd.edu/)

**Contact:** infostart@start.umd.edu

**Focus:** the website lists the following research themes:

- Terrorism and Violent Extremism
- Counterterrorism and Countering Violent Extremism
- Risk Communication and Resilience
- Radicalization and Deradicalization
- Unconventional Weapons and Technology

1.39 Nelson Institute

**Location:** Harrisonburg, VA

**Affiliated organisation:** James Madison University

**Director:** Peggy Plass

**Website:** [http://www.jmu.edu/nelsoninstitute/projects/terror.shtml](http://www.jmu.edu/nelsoninstitute/projects/terror.shtml)

**Contact:** nelsoninstitute@jmu.edu

**Focus:** “the Institute (...) seeks not only to analyze specific terrorist threats, but also to understand the historical, cultural, philosophical, and religious factors that drive terrorist groups and the consequent challenge
that they present to free societies”.

1.40 Terrorism and Disaster Center

**Location:** Norman, OK

**Affiliated organisation:** College of Medicine, University of Oklahoma

**Director:** Betty Pfefferbaum

**Website:** [https://www.oumedicine.com/TDC](https://www.oumedicine.com/TDC)

**Contact:** TDC@ouhsc.edu

**Focus:** the website lists the following focal points:
- enhancing the resilience of communities to address disaster–related mental health issues for children and families;
- increasing the resilience of children for disaster and terrorism preparedness, response, and recovery; and
- offering training, consultation, and technical assistance to prepare providers and community programs to address disaster preparedness and response for children, families, and communities.

1.41 Terrorism and Extremism Research Centre

**Location:** London

**Affiliated organisation:** University of East London

**Director:** John Morrison

**Website:** [https://www.uel.ac.uk/schools/royal-docks/terrorism-and-extremism-research-centre](https://www.uel.ac.uk/schools/royal-docks/terrorism-and-extremism-research-centre)

**Contact:** e-mail addresses of individual staff members of TERC are available here.

**Focus:** “the act of terrorism itself and the motivations and rationale of the terrorist actor; counter-terrorist policies, tactics and strategies; the history, manifestations and modern-day versions of political, social and religious extremism; internal and external influences on terrorist and extremist individuals, groups and their activities”.

1.42 Terrorism & Preparedness Resource Center

**Location:** Ann Arbor, MI

**Affiliated organisation:** University of Michigan (Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research and the National Archive for Criminal Justice Data) and START (see National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism)

**Director:** Tim Bynum

**Website:** [https://www.icpsr.umich.edu/icpsrweb/content/NACJD/guides/tpdrc.html](https://www.icpsr.umich.edu/icpsrweb/content/NACJD/guides/tpdrc.html)

**Contact:** nacjd@icpsr.umich.edu

**Focus:** “nature of intra- (domestic) and international terrorism incidents, organizations, perpetrators, and victims; governmental and nongovernmental responses to terror, including primary, secondary, and tertiary interventions; and citizen's attitudes towards terrorism, terror incidents, and the response to terror”.
1.43  Terrorism and Political Violence Association

**Location:** Leeds (UK)

**Affiliated organisation:** University of Leeds

**Director/Coordinator:** Gordon Clubb, Hanna Palgaard Munden

**Website:** [http://tapva.leeds.ac.uk/](http://tapva.leeds.ac.uk/)

**Contact:** not stated, e-mail addresses of individual staff members are available [here](http://tapva.leeds.ac.uk/)

**Focus:** TAPVA is the UK’s part of TRI’s network of national and (sub-)regional associations of PhD thesis writers.

1.44  Terrorism Research Center

**Location:** Fayetteville, AR

**Affiliated organisation:** University of Arkansas, Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice

**Director:** Brent L. Smith

**Website:** [https://fulbright.uark.edu/departments/sociology/terrorism-research-center/index.php](https://fulbright.uark.edu/departments/sociology/terrorism-research-center/index.php)

**Contact:** nkarnes@uark.edu

**Focus:** the website lists the following priorities:

- Providing a comprehensive record of persons indicted in federal courts as a result of FBI “terrorism enterprise” investigations
- Geospatial and temporal patterns of terrorist activities in the United States, including incidents and activities during the planning process
- Prosecutorial, defense, and investigation strategies relating to terrorism
- Factors contributing to terrorist longevity over time and interdiction strategies
- Community risk factors for radicalization or pre-incident activities

1.45  Terrorism, Transnational Crime and Corruption Center

**Location:** Arlington, VA

**Affiliated organisation:** George Mason University

**Director:** Louise Shelley

**Website:** [http://traccc.gmu.edu/](http://traccc.gmu.edu/)

**Contact:** traccc@gmu.edu

**Focus:** the center studies “all forms of terrorism, transnational crime and corruption, focusing on the political, societal and economic conditions which contribute to the spread of these phenomena, as well as methods used by criminals and terrorists to execute their crimes.”

1.46  Triangle Center on Terrorism and Homeland Security

**Location:** Durham, NC
Affiliated organisation: Duke University

Director: David Schanzer

Website: https://sites.duke.edu/tcthks/

Contact: https://sites.duke.edu/tcthks/contact/

Focus: “terrorism and the means to combat it through education, research and the development of partnerships between universities, industry and government.”

1.47 Washington Institute

Location: Washington, DC

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Director: Matthew Levitt (Director of the Stein Program on Counterterrorism and Intelligence)

Website: http://www.washingtoninstitute.org/about/research-programs/project-fikra/ and http://www.washingtoninstitute.org/about/research-programs/stein-program-on-counterterrorism-and-intelligence/

Contact: http://www.washingtoninstitute.org/about/contact-us

Focus: the Washington Institute runs two programmes related to terrorism: Project Fikra and the Stein Program on Counterterrorism and Intelligence. The goal of Project Fikra is to counter “the spread of extremism in the Middle East.” The Stein Program focuses on “the analysis of terrorist groups, state sponsors, logistical and financial support networks, and counterterrorism policy”.

2 Think Tanks

2.1 African Centre for the Study and Research of Terrorism

Location: Algiers

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Director: Larry Gbevlo-Lartey Esq.

Website: http://www.caert.org.dz/

Contact: Admin@caert.org.dz

Focus: terrorism in Africa.

2.2 Anti-Defamation League

Location: several US cities, see https://www.adl.org/who-we-are/our-organization/regional-offices

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Director: Marvin D. Nathan

Website: https://www.adl.org/what-we-do/combat-hate/extremism-terrorism-bigotry

Contact: https://www.adl.org/contact

Focus: foreign and domestic extremism, terrorism and hate speech/crimes in the US with a focus on an-
2.3 Aspen Institute

**Location:** headquartered in Washington, DC (see [https://www.aspeninstitute.org/contact/](https://www.aspeninstitute.org/contact/) for the various departments and international affiliates).

**Affiliated organisation:** n.a.

**Director:** Clark Ervin (director of the Aspen Institute's Homeland Security Program)

**Website:** [https://www.aspeninstitute.org/programs/homeland-security-program/](https://www.aspeninstitute.org/programs/homeland-security-program/)

**Contact:** [https://www.aspeninstitute.org/contact/](https://www.aspeninstitute.org/contact/)

**Focus:** not stated specifically with regard to terrorism.

2.4 Bangladesh Center for Terrorism Research

**Location:** Dhaka (Bangladesh)

**Affiliated organisation:** Bangladesh Institute of Peace and Security Studies

**Director:** A.N.M. Muniruzzaman

**Website:** [http://www.bipss.org.bd/](http://www.bipss.org.bd/)

**Contact:** info@bipss.org.bd

**Focus:** “study, data management and research on terrorism, radicalization and extremism”.

2.5 Brookings Institute

**Location:** Washington, DC

**Affiliated organisation:** n.a.

**Director:** John R. Allen

**Website:** [https://www.brookings.edu/topic/terrorism-extremism/](https://www.brookings.edu/topic/terrorism-extremism/)

**Contact:** [https://www.brookings.edu/contact-brookings/](https://www.brookings.edu/contact-brookings/)

**Focus:** ‘terrorism & extremism’ is listed as one of Brookings’ research topics, without further specification.

2.6 Carnegie Endowment for International Peace

**Location:** Washington, DC (with branches in New Delhi, Moscow, Brussels, Beirut and Beijing)

**Affiliated organisation:** n.a.

**Director:** William J. Burns

**Website:** [http://carnegieendowment.org/topic/1284](http://carnegieendowment.org/topic/1284)

**Contact:** [https://carnegieendowment.org/about/?fa=contact](https://carnegieendowment.org/about/?fa=contact)

**Focus:** not stated specifically with regard to terrorism.
2.7  Cato Institute

**Location**: Washington, DC

**Affiliated organisation**: n.a.

**Director**: Peter Goettler

**Website**: [https://www.cato.org/research/counterterrorism-homeland-security](https://www.cato.org/research/counterterrorism-homeland-security)

**Contact**: [https://www.cato.org/contact-us](https://www.cato.org/contact-us)

**Focus**: not stated specifically with regard to terrorism.

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2.8  Center for the Analysis of Terrorism

**Location**: France (city not stated)

**Affiliated organisation**: n.a.

**Director**: Jean-Charles Brisard


**Contact**: contact@cat-int.org

**Focus**: “organizational, spatial and financial patterns of terrorist activities”.

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2.9  Centre for Conflict and Peace Studies

**Location**: Kabul

**Affiliated organisation**: n.a.

**Director / contact person**: not listed

**Website**: [http://www.caps.af/](http://www.caps.af/)

**Contact**: contact@caps.af

**Focus**: the CCPS is focused on terrorist and insurgent violence in Afghanistan (“the CCPS monitors the activities of the Taliban and the Haqqani network and maintains a database of suicide attacks in Afghanistan”).

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2.10  Centre for Land Warfare Studies

**Location**: Delhi

**Affiliated organisation**: n.a.

**Director**: Balraj Singh Nagal


**Contact**: landwarfare@gmail.com

**Focus**: not stated specifically with regard to terrorism.

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2.11  Center for Middle Eastern Strategic Studies

**Location**: Ankara
2.12 Center for a New American Security

Location: Washington, DC
Affiliated organisation: n.a.
Director: Victoria Nuland
Website: https://www.cnas.org/research/middle-east-security/isis-isil
Contact: info@cnas.org

Focus: the website lists 'Iraq/Syria/ISIS' as research areas, with no further specification.

2.13 Center for the Prevention of Radicalization Leading to Violence

Location: Montréal
Affiliated organisation: n.a.
Director: Herman Deparice-Okomba
Website: https://info-radical.org/en/
Contact: info@info-radical.org

Focus: violent radicalization in Québec.

2.14 Center on Radicalization and International Terrorism

Location: Milan
Affiliated organisation: Italian Institute for International Political Studies
Director: Lorenzo Vidino
Website: http://www.ispionline.it/en/ricerca/radicalizzazione-e-terrorismo-internazionale
Contact: ispi.segreteria@ispionline.it

Focus: “empirical analysis of violent and non-violent extremism in Europe and the world, with a particular emphasis on jihadist ideology.”

2.15 Center for Research & Security Studies

Location: Islamabad
Affiliated organisation: n.a.
Director: Imtiaz Gul
Website: [http://crss.pk/](http://crss.pk/)
Contact: [info@crss.pk](mailto:info@crss.pk)

Focus: the center lists ‘counter-radicalization’ as one of its main research issues.

2.16 Centre for the Response to Radicalisation and Terrorism

**Location:** London

**Affiliated organisation:** Henry Jackson Society

**Director:** Alan Mendoza (Co-Founder and Executive Director of the Henry Jackson Society)

Website: [http://henryjacksonsociety.org/crrt/](http://henryjacksonsociety.org/crrt/)

Contact: [http://henryjacksonsociety.org/about-the-society/contact-us/](http://henryjacksonsociety.org/about-the-society/contact-us/)

Focus: the website lists 26 research topics, including 9/11, ISIS, Boko Haram, Hamas, extremism, far-right and nuclear weapons.

2.17 Center for Strategic and International Studies

**Location:** Washington, DC

**Affiliated organisation:** n.a.

**Director:** Kathleen H. Hicks

Website: [https://www.csis.org/programs/international-security-program/international-security-program-archived-projects/homeland](https://www.csis.org/programs/international-security-program/international-security-program-archived-projects/homeland)

Contact: not stated

**Focus:** CSIS’ terrorism research is led by the Transnational Threats Project, the International Security Program, and the Arleigh A. Burke Chair in Strategy (Anthony H. Cordesman).

2.18 Center for the Study of Terrorism

**Location:** Philadelphia, PA

**Affiliated organisation:** Foreign Policy Research Institute

**Director:** Lawrence Husick, Edward A. Turzanski

Website: [https://www.fpri.org/research/terrorism/](https://www.fpri.org/research/terrorism/)

Contact: not stated

**Focus:** “fact-based analysis of actual and potential uses of terrorism as a tactic by adversaries of the United States and its allies”.

2.19 Chatham House

**Location:** London

**Affiliated organisation:** n.a.

**Director:** not stated
2.20 Consortium for Research on Terrorism and International Crime

Location: Oslo

Affiliated organisations: Norwegian Institute of International Affairs (NUPI), the Norwegian Defence Research Establishment (FFI), the Police University College (PHS) and the Center for Research on Extremism

Director: Rita Augestad Knudsen (senior research fellow, listed as contact person)


Contact: post@nupi.no

Focus: “violent extremism and terrorism, Islamic terrorism in Europe and the rest of the world, right-wing extremism and anti-Jihadi movements, solo-terrorism, terrorist target selection, the fight against terrorism”.

2.21 Counter-Terrorism Policy Centre

Location: Barton (Australia)

Affiliated organisation: Australian Strategic Policy Institute

Director: Isaac Kfir

Website: https://www.aspi.org.au/program/counter-terrorism-policy-centre

Contact: https://www.aspi.org.au/contact-us/

Focus: “the counter-terrorism environment, including policy, legislation, terrorist threat, cross-jurisdiction and international issues.”

2.22 Danish Institute for International Affairs

Location: Copenhagen

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Director: Kristian Fischer

Website: https://www.diis.dk/en/emne/terror

Contact: diis@diis.dk

Focus: “current forms of terrorism and extremism, strategies of countering, preventing and managing these phenomena”.

2.23 Egmont Royal Institute for International Relations

Location: Brussels

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Director: Rik Coolsaet

Website: https://www.chathamhouse.org/research/topics/international-security/terrorism

Contact: contact@chathamhouse.org

Focus: counterterrorism, lone-wolf terrorism, ISIS, Al-Qaeda, Boko Haram and radicalisation.
Focus: not stated specifically with regard to terrorism.

2.24 Elcano Royal Institute

Location: Madrid

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Director: Fernando Reinares

Website: http://www.realinstitutoelcano.org/wps/portal/rielcano_en/research-topics/international-terrorism

Contact: not stated

Focus: manifestations of terrorism in Spain, Europe and beyond, Basque terrorism, Al-Qaeda and ISIS among other terrorist groups.

2.25 Foundation for Defense of Democracy (FDD)

Location: Washington, DC

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Director: Clifford D. May

Website: http://www.defenddemocracy.org/

Contact: info@defenddemocracy.org

Focus: covers a number of geographical areas, with a special focus on the Middle East and North Africa (see the website for an overview).

2.26 French Institute of International Affairs

Location: Paris and Brussels

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Director: Thierry de Montbrial

Website: https://www.ifri.org/en/recherche/thematiques-transversales/securite-defense/securite-interieure

Contact: https://www.ifri.org/en/contact-us

Focus: “the role of social networks as tools of ideological radicalization and informal mobilization, the emergence of new forms of violent opposition, the repercussions of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict in France, the evolution of the international jihadist movement, the potential physical and cyber threats on critical infrastructure, the improvement of prevention and repression procedures.”

2.27 Global Center on Cooperative Security

Location: Washington, DC, New York and London

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Director / contact person: Alistair Millar
2.28 George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies

**Location:** Garmisch-Partenkirchen (Germany)

**Affiliated organisation:** The centre is a joint initiative of the US government and the German government.

**Director:** Keith L. Wert, Peggy Garza and David L. Oglesby


**Focus:** The centre mentions two areas of strategic interest that are related to terrorism:

- Terrorism, including waging the “Battle of Ideas” to delegitimize terrorism and support for terrorism
- Regional and local crises that could turn into transnational threats and/or spur transnational terrorism

2.29 German Institute on Radicalization and De-radicalization Studies

**Location:** Graal-Müritz (Germany)

**Affiliated organisation:** N.A.

**Director:** Daniel Koehler

**Website:** [http://www.girds.org/](http://www.girds.org/)

**Contact:** contact@girds.org

**Focus:** “The theoretical and practical development of de-radicalization methods, evaluation tools, training manuals, and concepts”.

2.30 Hedayah

**Location:** Abu Dhabi (United Arab Emirates)

**Affiliated organisation:** N.A.

**Director:** Maram Tarabishi

**Website:** [http://www.hedayahcenter.org/](http://www.hedayahcenter.org/)

**Contact:** info@hedayah.ae

**Focus:** Development of, and depository for, counter-narratives to jihadist narratives.

2.31 Henry L. Stimson Center

**Location:** Washington, DC

**Affiliated organisation:** N.A.

**Director:** Brian Finlay
Website: https://www.stimson.org/topics/terrorism
Contact: https://www.stimson.org/content/contact-us
Focus: not stated specifically with regard to terrorism.

2.32 Heritage Foundation
Location: Washington, DC
Affiliated organisation: n.a.
Director: https://www.heritage.org/about-heritage/staff/leadership
Website: https://www.heritage.org/terrorism
Contact: info@heritage.org
Focus: not stated specifically with regard to terrorism.

2.33 Hoover Institution
Location: Stanford, CA
Affiliated organisation: Stanford University
Director: Thomas Gilligan
Website: https://www.hoover.org/research-topic/terrorism
Contact: https://www.hoover.org/about/contact-us
Focus: the Hoover institution addresses terrorism in its National Security and Law Task Force and in its Working Group in Islamism and International Order.

2.34 Hudson Institute
Location: Washington, DC
Affiliated organisation: n.a.
Director: Kenneth R. Weinstein
Website: https://www.hudson.org/topics/32-terrorism-radical-ideologies
Contact: https://www.hudson.org/about/contact
Focus: not stated specifically with regard to terrorism.

2.35 Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses
Location: New Delhi
Affiliated organisation: n.a.
Director: Jayant Prasad
Website: https://idsa.in/terrorisminternalsecurity
Contact: contact.idsa@nic.in
Focus: India’s Naga and Maoist insurgencies.

2.36 Institute for National Security Studies
Location: Tel Aviv
Affiliated organisation: n.a.
Director: Amos Yadlin
Website: http://www.inss.org.il/subjects_tags/terrorism/
Contact: info@inss.org.il
Focus: “terrorism in Lebanon, with an emphasis on Hezbollah, Salafist jihadist elements, and Iranian and Syrian involvement in their activity; terrorism trends perpetrated in the international arena, with an emphasis on the Muslim fundamentalist terrorism of al-Qaeda and global jihad; and the fight against terrorism, particularly the … related strategies and dilemmas”.

2.37 Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies
Location: New Delhi
Affiliated organisation: n.a.
Director: Ruhee Neog
Website: http://www.ipcs.org/issues/terrorism/
Contact: officemail@icps.org
Focus: not stated specifically with regard to terrorism.

2.38 Institute for Security Studies
Location: Pretoria, Addis Ababa, Dakar and Nairobi
Affiliated organisation: n.a.
Director: https://issafrica.org/personnel#leadership
Website: https://issafrica.org/topics-regions/search?topics=219&regions
Contact: iss@issafrica.org
Focus: not stated specifically with regard to terrorism.

2.39 Institute of Strategic Studies
Location: Islamabad
Affiliated organisation: n.a.
Director: Khalid Mahmood
Website: http://www.issi.org.pk/
Contact: strategy@issi.org.pk
Focus: not stated specifically with regard to terrorism.
2.40 International Centre for Counter Terrorism

**Location:** The Hague

**Affiliated organisations:** Clingendael Institute for International Affairs, T.C.M. Asser Institute, ISGA Leiden University, Campus The Hague

**Director:** Renske van der Veer

**Website:** [www.icct.nl](http://www.icct.nl)

**Contact:** info@icct.nl

**Focus:** “comparative analysis of counter-terrorism policies, strategies and interventions, country and regional analyses, the foreign fighter phenomenon and forward looking trends and threats analyses”.

2.41 International Center for the Study of Violent Extremism

**Location:** Washington, DC

**Affiliated organisation:** n.a.

**Director:** Anne Speckhard

**Website:** [http://www.icsve.org/](http://www.icsve.org/)

**Contact:** info@icsve.org

**Focus:** ICSVE has conducted research based on interviews with ISIS-defectors, seeking to develop counter-narratives to the propaganda of ISIS.

2.42 International Center for Terrorism Studies

**Location:** Arlington, VA

**Affiliated organisation:** Potomac Institute for Policy Studies

**Director:** Michael S. Swetnam

**Website:** [http://www.potomacinstitute.org/academic-centers/international-center-for-terrorism-studies-icts](http://www.potomacinstitute.org/academic-centers/international-center-for-terrorism-studies-icts)

**Contact:** webmaster@potomacinstitute.org

**Focus:** the website lists the following priorities:

- To monitor current and future threats of terrorism;
- To develop response strategies on governmental and non-governmental levels;
- To effect continual communication with policy-makers, academic institutions, business, media, and civic organizations;
- To sponsor research programs on critical issues, particularly those relating enabling technologies with policy, and share findings nationally and internationally.

2.43 International Institute for European Affairs

**Location:** Dublin and Brussels

**Affiliated organisation:**
Directors: Ben Tonra, Marie Cross and Patrick Keatinge (chairs of the institute's Security and Defence Policy working group); Nora Owen (chair of the institute's Justice and Home Affairs working group)

Website: https://www.iiea.com/

Contact: reception@iiea.com

Focus: the IIEA addresses terrorism in its Security and Defence Policy working group and in its Justice and Home Affairs working group.

2.44 International Institute for Strategic Studies

Location: London, Washington, DC, Singapore and Manama (Bahrain)

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Director: John Chipman

Website: https://www.iiss.org/en/topics/counter-terrorism

Contact: https://www.iiss.org/en/contact-s-us

Focus: not stated specifically with regard to terrorism.

2.45 International Peace Institute

Location: New York, Vienna and Manama (Bahrain)

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Director: Terje Rød-Larsen

Website: https://www.ipinst.org/program/preventing-violent-extremism, https://ipinst.org/tag/terrorism

Contact: ipi@ipinst.org

Focus: violent extremism afflicting the Sahel Sahara region.

2.46 Investigative Project on Terrorism

Location: Washington, DC

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Director: Steven Emerson

Website: http://www.investigativeproject.org/

Contact: stopterror@aol.com

Focus: “the operations, funding, activities and front groups of Islamic terrorist and extremist groups”.

2.47 Jamestown Foundation

Location: Washington, DC

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Director: Willem de Vogel

Website: https://jamestown.org/programs/tm/about-jamestowns-terrorism-program/
Contact: pubs@jamestown.org

Focus: “covering terrorism and security issues, utilizing indigenous sources and with attention paid to frequently un-reported or under-reported topics”.

2.48 Jihad & Terrorism Threat Monitor

Location: Washington, DC

Affiliated organisation: Middle East Media Research Initiative (MEMRI)

Director: Oliver ‘Buck’ Revell

Website: https://www.memri.org/jttm

Contact: https://www.memri.org/request-a-clip

Focus: the website lists the following subjects:

- Jihad in the West
- Women and Jihad
- Alerts, Planning and Training
- Counter-Radicalization Initiative
- Foreign Fighters
- Global Jihad News
- In Depth Threat Analysis
- Jihadi Texts
- South Asia Jihad

2.49 Kazakhstan Institute for Strategic Studies

Location: Almaty and Astana (Kazakhstan)

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Director: Shaukenova Zarema Kaukenovna

Website: http://kisi.kz/en

Contact: office@kisi.kz

Focus: “the current state of the political institutions, inter-ethnic and inter-confessional relations as well as counterbalancing religious extremism and terrorism”.

2.50 Libyan Center for Studies of Counter Terrorism & Extremist Ideas

Location: Chahat (Libya)

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Director: not stated

Website: https://www.lcsatei.org/
Contact: libyanantiterrorism2017@gmail.com
Focus: terrorist attacks and extremist ideas in Libya.

2.51 Mackenzie Institute
Location: Toronto
Affiliated organisation: n.a.
Director: Jess Sole
Website: http://mackenzieinstitute.com/
Contact: institute@mackenzieinstitute.com
Focus: the institute maintains profiles of terrorist groups.

2.52 Manhattan Institute
Location: New York
Affiliated organisation: n.a.
Director: Lawrence Mone
Website: https://www.manhattan-institute.org/other/counterterrorism
Contact: mi@manhattan-institute.org
Focus: not stated specifically with regard to terrorism.

2.53 Meir Amit Intelligence and Terrorism Information Center
Location: Ramat Hasharon (Israel)
Affiliated organisation: Israeli Intelligence Heritage and Commemoration Center
Director: Reuven Erlich
Website: http://www.terrorism-info.org.il/en/
Contact: info@terrorism-info.org.il
Focus: the website lists the following main research topics:
- Palestinian terrorist organizations, their ideology, activities and military capabilities, their political activity, and their international battle for hearts and minds.
- Palestinian Authority and the de-facto Hamas administration in the Gaza Strip.
- Israeli-Palestinian conflict.
- Hezbollah in Lebanon.
- Global jihad organizations, mainly ISIS and Al-Qaeda.
- Funding and marketing of terrorism.
- State sponsors of terrorism, mainly Iran and Syria.
- The campaign to delegitimize Israel.
• Anti-Semitism and incitement to terrorism and hatred directed against the State of Israel and the Jewish people.
• Iran and its policy toward terrorism and the State of Israel.

2.54 Norwegian Institute for International Affairs

Location: Oslo

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Director: Ulf Sverdrup

Website: http://www.nupi.no/en/Our-research/War-and-peace/Terrorism

Contact: post@nupi.no

Focus: “At NUPI, research on terrorism has concentrated especially on the European rim from North Africa to the Caucasus region, and our main instrument for this research is the research programme the Terror Consortium.”

Some of the questions the institute seeks to answer:

• What are the linkages between terrorism, organized crime, weak states and new forms of organized violence?
• How to distinguish between terrorists and freedom fighters?
• What are the political implications of how various insurgent groups are defined?

2.55 Pak Institute for Peace Studies

Location: Islamabad

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Director: Muhammad Amir Rana

Website: http://san-pips.com/

Contact: http://san-pips.com/index.php?action=main&id=cont

Focus: “conflict and development, political violence, religious extremism, ethnic strife, terrorism, governance and democracy, foreign relations, and cultural learning of policy-making processes”. The PIPS has specific programmes about ‘Political Violence and Terrorism’ and ‘De-radicalization’.

2.56 Philippine Institute for Peace, Violence and Terrorism Research

Location: Quezon City

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Director: Rommel C. Banlaoi

Website: http://pipvtr.com/pipvtr/index.php?section=1


Focus: not stated specifically.
2.57 Polish Institute of International Affairs

**Location:** Warsaw

**Affiliated organisation:** n.a.

**Director:** Sławomir Dębski


**Contact:** pism@pism.pl

**Focus:** not stated specifically with regard to terrorism

2.58 Quilliam Foundation

**Location:** London

**Affiliated organisation:** n.a.

**Director:** Noman Benotman

**Website:** [https://www.quilliaminternational.com/divisions/quilliam-global/research/](https://www.quilliaminternational.com/divisions/quilliam-global/research/)

**Contact:** info@quilliaminternational.com

**Focus:** “radicalisation, extremism, terrorism and how to counter these phenomena”.

2.59 RAND Corporation

**Location:** Santa Monica, CA

**Affiliated organisation:** n.a.

**Director:** Michael D. Rich

**Website:** [https://www.rand.org/topics/terrorism-and-homeland-security.html](https://www.rand.org/topics/terrorism-and-homeland-security.html)

**Contact:** [https://www.rand.org/about/contacts.html](https://www.rand.org/about/contacts.html)

**Focus:** RAND is one of the largest US think tanks on defense and security matters; its research program on terrorism, spearheaded by Brian M. Jenkins, goes back to the early 1970s.

2.60 Research Institute for European and American Studies

**Location:** Attiki (Greece)

**Affiliated organisation:** n.a.

**Director:** John M. Nomikos

**Website:** [http://www.rieas.gr/researchareas/terrorism-studies](http://www.rieas.gr/researchareas/terrorism-studies)

**Contact:** [http://www.rieas.gr/contact](http://www.rieas.gr/contact)

**Focus:** not stated specifically with regard to terrorism.

2.61 Resolve Network

**Location:** Washington, DC
Affiliated organisation: United States Institute of Peace (see below)

Director: Leanne Erdberg (interim director)

Website: https://www.resolvenet.org/

Contact: resolve@resolvenet.org

Focus: the network has four ‘thematic channels’ (Governance and security, Ideology, Intervention Demographics, and Political Violence); in regional terms, the network is focused on Africa, Asia, the Balkans and the Middle East.

2.62 Royal United Services Institute

Location: London, Tokyo, Brussels and Nairobi

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Director: Rafaello Pantucci (director for International Security Studies)

Website: https://rusi.org/themes/terrorism

Contact: https://rusi.org/contact-us

Focus: RUSI is the UK’s oldest think tank on defense and international security; focus not stated specifically with regard to terrorism.

2.63 Southern Poverty Law Center

Location: Montgomery, AL (HQ)

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Director: Heidi Beirich (Intelligence Project Director)

Website: https://www.splcenter.org/

Contact: https://www.splcenter.org/contact-us

Focus: the monitoring of “hate groups and extremists throughout the United States”.

2.64 United States Institute of Peace

Location: Washington, DC

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Director: Nancy Lindborg

Website: https://www.usip.org/issue-areas/violent-extremism

Contact: https://www.usip.org/contact

Focus: “the underlying causes of violent extremism”.

2.65 Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars

Location: Washington, DC

Affiliated organisation: n.a.
3 **Governmental Organisations**

3.1 Bureau of Counterterrorism and Countering Violent Extremism

**Location:** Washington, DC  
**Affiliated organisation:** US State Department  
**Director:** Nathan A. Sales  
**Website:** [https://www.state.gov/j/ct/index.htm](https://www.state.gov/j/ct/index.htm)  
**Contact:** [https://www.state.gov/j/ct/contact/index.htm](https://www.state.gov/j/ct/contact/index.htm)  
**Focus:** the Bureau releases annual Country Reports on Terrorism.

3.2 Canadian Security and Intelligence Service

**Location:** Ottawa  
**Affiliated organisation:** n.a.  
**Director:** David Vigneault  
**Contact:** [https://www.canada.ca/en/security-intelligence-service/corporate/contact-us.html](https://www.canada.ca/en/security-intelligence-service/corporate/contact-us.html)  
**Focus:** the websites lists radicalization, various specific jihadist organisations and terrorist finance as main topics.

3.3 Centre of Excellence Defence against Terrorism

**Location:** Ankara  
**Affiliated organisation:** NATO  
**Director:** Col. Mehmet Aslantaş  
**Website:** [http://www.coedat.nato.int/](http://www.coedat.nato.int/)  
**Contact:** info@coedat.nato.int  
**Focus:** not stated.

3.4 Centre for Strategic Studies and Simulation

**Location:** New Delhi
Affiliated organisation: United Services Institute of India (military academy)
Director: Anil Kumar Ahuja
Website: [http://usiofindia.org/CS3/](http://usiofindia.org/CS3/)
Contact: [http://usiofindia.org/Contact/](http://usiofindia.org/Contact/)
Focus: the website lists “Terrorism and Transnational Security. Dealing with transnational and global terrorism” as a research area.

3.5 Center for Terror Analysis

Location: Søborg, Denmark

Affiliated organisation: PET (Danish security and intelligence agency)
Director: Finn Borch Andersen (head of PET)
Website: [https://www.pet.dk/English/Center%20for%20Terror%20Analysis.aspx](https://www.pet.dk/English/Center%20for%20Terror%20Analysis.aspx)
Contact: pet@pet.dk
Focus: the Centre for Terror Analysis publishes assessments of the terrorist threat to Denmark (see: [https://www.pet.dk/English/Publications.aspx](https://www.pet.dk/English/Publications.aspx)).

3.6 Combating Terrorism Centre

Location: West Point, NY

Affiliated organisation: United States Military Academy
Director: Bryan Price
Website: [https://ctc.usma.edu/](https://ctc.usma.edu/)
Contact: [https://ctc.usma.edu/contact](https://ctc.usma.edu/contact)
Focus: the website lists the following research topics:
- Cooperation, competition and fissures
- Counterterrorism
- CVE, de-rad and disengagement
- Financing and the crime-terror nexus
- Foreign fighters
- Hostage and kidnapping
- Ideology, rules and edicts
- Innovation and technology
- Media and communication
- Operations, plots and attacks
- Recruitment and radicalisation
- Strategy, history and goals
• Terror behaviour
• Weapons and tactics
• Weapons of mass destruction

3.7 Europol

Location: The Hague

Affiliated organisation: police organisation of EU member states

Director: Rob Wainwright

Website: https://www.europol.europa.eu/crime-areas-and-trends/crime-areas/terrorism

Contact: https://www.europol.europa.eu/contact-us

Focus: Europol's European Counter Terrorism Centre monitors, since 2016, various forms of terrorism and publishes the annual EU Terrorism Situation and Trend Reports (TE-SAT reports).

3.8 Federal Intelligence Service

Location: Bern

Affiliated organisation: Federal Department of Defence, Civil Protection and Sport

Director: not stated

Website: https://www.vbs.admin.ch/en/ddps/organisation/administrative-units/intelligence-service.html

Contact: info@ndb.admin.ch

Focus: the Federal Intelligence Service issues annual national threat assessments, which include sections on religious and nationalist terrorism and right- and left wing extremism (see the 'documents' tab on the website).

3.9 Federal Office for the Protection of the Constitution

Location: Cologne (Germany)

Affiliated organisation: Federal Ministry of the Interior

Director: Hans-Georg Maassen

Website: https://www.verfassungsschutz.de/en/fields-of-work

Contact: https://www.verfassungsschutz.de/en/contact

Focus: the Federal Office (BfV, or Bundesamt für Verfassungsschutz) lists right-wing extremism, left-wing extremism, extremism of foreign fighters, Islamism and Islamic terrorism as fields of work. Its annual reports contain analyses of the trends and development of these threats. The BfV also published a small number of ‘stand alone’ reports on these topics. See: https://www.verfassungsschutz.de/en/public-relations/publications.

3.10 General Intelligence and Security Service

Location: Zoetermeer (The Netherlands)

Affiliated organisation: Ministry of the Interior
3.11 National Coordinator for Security and Counterterrorism

**Location:** The Hague

**Affiliated organisation:** Ministry of Justice and Security

**Director:** Dick Schoof

**Website:** [https://english.nctv.nl/](https://english.nctv.nl/)

**Contact:** [https://english.nctv.nl/contact.aspx](https://english.nctv.nl/contact.aspx)

**Focus:** the NCSC (NCTV, or *Nationaal Coördinator Terrorismebestrijding en Veiligheid*) publishes quarterly assessments of the terrorist threat to the Netherlands; see: [https://english.nctv.nl/topics_a_z/terrorist_threat_assessment_netherlands/index.aspx](https://english.nctv.nl/topics_a_z/terrorist_threat_assessment_netherlands/index.aspx).

3.12 Southeast Asia Regional Centre for Counter-Terrorism

**Location:** Kuala Lumpur

**Affiliated organisation:** Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Malaysia

**Director:** Dato’ Azmil Mohd Zabidi

**Website:** [http://www.searcct.gov.my/](http://www.searcct.gov.my/)

**Contact:** info@searcct.gov.my

**Focus:** the website lists the following priorities for 2018:

- Radicalisation in Southeast Asia,
- Undergraduate Radicalisation in Southeast Asia,
- Developing a Counter-Terrorism Training Module and Facilitating a Counter-Terrorism Workshop for University Undergraduates

4 **Networks**

4.1 Canadian Network for Research on Terrorism, Security and Society

**Location:** Waterloo (Canada)

**Affiliated organisation:** Department of Sociology and Legal Studies, University of Waterloo

**Director:** Lorne Dawson

**Website:** [http://tsas.ca/](http://tsas.ca/)

**Contact:** [http://tsas.ca/contact-us/](http://tsas.ca/contact-us/)
Focus: “the TSAS Network links up academic researchers on terrorism, security and society.”

4.2 Global Research Network

Location: New York

Affiliated organisation: UN Security Council, Counter-Terrorism Committee

Director: Gustavo Adolfo Meza-Cuadra Velásquez (Chair of the Counter-Terrorism Committee)

Website: https://www.un.org/sc/ctc/focus-areas/research/

Contact: https://www.un.org/sc/ctc/contact-us/

Focus: “the drivers of terrorism and violent extremism”; “emerging trends and challenges” in the terrorist threat.

4.3 Radicalisation Awareness Network

Location: Brussels

Affiliated organisation: European Commission

Director: not stated

Website: https://ec.europa.eu/home-affairs/what-we-do/networks/radicalisation_awareness_network_en

Contact: https://ec.europa.eu/home-affairs/what-we-do/networks/radicalisation_awareness_network/ran-contacts

Focus: RAN’s website lists the following working groups:

- Communication and Narratives working group (RAN C&N)
- Education working group (RAN EDU)
- EXIT working group (RAN EXIT)
- Youth, Families and Communities working group (RAN YF&C)
- Local authorities working group (RAN LOCAL)
- Prison and Probation working group (RAN P&P)
- Police and law enforcement working group (RAN POL)
- Remembrance of Victims of Terrorism working group (RAN RVT)
- Health and Social Care working group (RAN H&SC)
- Steering Committees

4.4 Society for Terrorism Research

Location: Newton, MA

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Director: Rachel Monaghan

Website: http://www.societyforterrorismresearch.org/
4.5 Terrorism Research Initiative

**Location:** Vienna and The Hague

**Affiliated organisation:** ISGA

**Directors:** Robert Wesley, Alex P. Schmid and Edwin Bakker

**Website:** [http://www.terrorism-research.org/](http://www.terrorism-research.org/)

**Contact:** info@terrorismanalysts.com

**Focus:** “facilitating cooperative efforts among scholars from a broad range of disciplines and backgrounds. The Initiative brings together individual and institutional research efforts, enabling knowledge accumulation in order to suggest policy-relevant courses of action on security issues related to terrorism.” TRI publishes, together with ISGA, the bi-monthly scholarly online journal *Perspectives on Terrorism* (PoT) at [www.terrorismanalysts.com](http://www.terrorismanalysts.com).

5 Commercial

5.1 ControlRisks

**Location:** for a list of offices, see [https://www.controlrisks.com/contact-us/office-search?q=&sort=1](https://www.controlrisks.com/contact-us/office-search?q=&sort=1)

**Affiliated organisation:** n.a.

**Director:** Irene Dorner (chair of the Board of Directors)

**Website:** [https://www.controlrisks.com/](https://www.controlrisks.com/)

**Contact:** [https://www.controlrisks.com/contact-us](https://www.controlrisks.com/contact-us)

**Focus:** not stated specifically with regard to terrorism, but includes forensic and anti-kidnapping expertise.

5.2 IntelCenter Database

**Location:** not stated

**Affiliated organisation:** n.a.

**Director:** not stated

**Website:** [https://intelcenter.com](https://intelcenter.com)

**Contact:** info@intelcenter.com

**Focus:** collection and analysis of data on terrorism (e.g. videos, photos, and data on attacks, hostages and perpetrators).

5.3 Jane’s Terrorism and Insurgency Centre

**Location:** Washington, DC, Singapore and Coulsdon (UK)
Affiliated organisation: HIS Markit
Director: Matthew Henman
Website: https://ihsmarkit.com/products/janes-terrorism-insurgency-intelligence-centre.html
Contact: janes@ihsmarkit.com

Focus: Jane's is a commercial security-related intelligence service which also maintains terrorist group profiles and an extensive database on terrorist incidents.

5.4 SITE Intelligence Group
Location: Bethesda, MD
Affiliated organisation: n.a.
Director: Rita Katz
Website: https://ent.siteintelgroup.com/
Contact: https://ent.siteintelgroup.com/Corporate/contact-us.html
Focus: monitoring of various forms of terrorism and terrorism-related activities (e.g. cyber and finance).

5.5 Soufan Group
Location: New York (HQ), Doha, London and Singapore
Affiliated organisation: n.a.
Director: Ali Soufan
Website: http://www.soufangroup.com/
Contact: http://www.soufangroup.com/contact/
Focus: much of the group's recent research has been focused on Al-Qaeda, ISIS and foreign fighters in Syria and Iraq.

5.6 Terrorism Research & Analysis Consortium
Location: Washington, DC
Affiliated organisation: Beacham Group
Director: Veryan Khan
Website: https://www.trackingterrorism.org/
Contact: vkhan@TRACterrorism.org
Focus: for a list of topics that TRAC is collecting information on, see https://www.trackingterrorism.org/about.
6 Other

6.1 Human Rights Watch

Location: New York

Affiliated organisation: n.a.

Type: human rights advocacy group

Director: Nadim Houry

Website: https://www.hrw.org/topic/terrorism-counterterrorism

Contact: https://www.hrw.org/contact-us

Focus: website lists the following topics (in reference to its Terrorism and Counterterrorism Program):

- CIA activities
- Detention without trial
- Edward Snowden
- Guantanamo
- Guantanamo – Military Commission
- Targeted killings and drones

6.2 Radicalisation Research

Location: not stated

Affiliated organisation: Centre for Research and Evidence on Security Threats

Type: knowledge hub

Director: Matthew Francis (website team)

Website: https://www.radicalisationresearch.org/

Contact: https://www.radicalisationresearch.org/contact/

Focus: historical and geographical comparisons regarding various forms of terrorism.

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