

# CRITICAL STUDIES ON TERRORISM WORKING GROUP PROGRAMME

BISA 2025 CONFERENCE EUROPA HOTEL, BELFAST 18-20 JUNE 2025



## DAY 1 WEDNESDAY, 18 JUNE 2024

# WE 18 Roundtable / Anticolonial Solidarities and Resistance: Learning from Ireland to Palestine 09:00 - 10:30, Grand 2, Europa Hotel

Sponsors: Critical Studies on Terrorism Working Group and Colonial, Postcolonial and Decolonial Working Group Chair: Rabea Khan (Liverpool John Moores University)

- Ghadir Awad (University of Michigan)
- Azadeh Sobout (Queen's University Belfast)
- Catherine Chiniara Charrett (University of Westminster)
- John Narayan (KCL)
- Jack McGinn (LSE)



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### WE 18 Panel / Anticolonial Solidarities and Resistance

10:45 - 12:15, Room 7, Grand 5, Europa Hotel

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Postcolonial and Decolonial Working Group

Convenor and Chair: Sarah Gharib Seif (University of St Andrews)

Transnational Visions of Solidarity in the Global Student Intifada in the Netherlands

• Alina Achenbach (University of Groningen)

An arms trade from below: improvised weapons and the framing of anticolonial resistance

• James Eastwood (Queen Mary University of London)

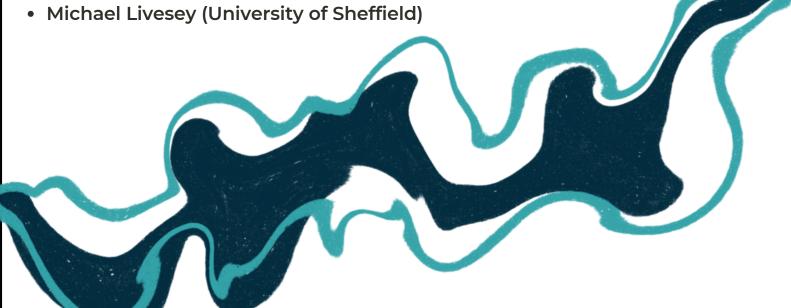
Conceptualizing terror work, terroristization, and terrorwashing in Palestine

• Carl Gibson (University of Nottingham)

Countertopographies of Anticolonial Worldmaking: Puerto Rico, the Pacific, and Beyond

• Emily Mitchell-Eaton (Colgate University)

'A temporary measure to meet a passing emergency': on the birth of British counter-terrorism in Northern Ireland



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### WE 18 Panel / Violence, non-violence and resistance

15:00 - 16:30, Room 7, Assembly Buildings Conference Centre

Convener: Critical Studies on Terrorism Working Group Chair: Rabea Khan (Liverpool John Moores University)

Palestine solidarity as an indicator of extremism: British state's criminalisation of activism

Amna Kaleem (University of Sheffield)

**Delineating Logics and Practices of Violence in the Islamic State Conflict** 

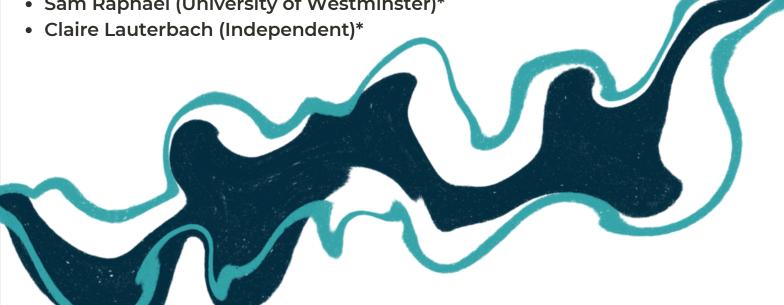
• Cian Bear (University of Warwick)

Beyond Religious and Nationalist Paradigms: Suicide Attacks as Necroresistance in the PKK

Neslihan Yaklav (Queen's University Belfast)

Transversal Alliances to Counter Transnational Impunity: Rethinking accountability of surveillance and spyware technologies in state crime through collective movements

- Emma Mc Cluskey (University of Westminster)
- Namir Shabibi (University of Westminster)
- Sam Raphael (University of Westminster)\*



## DAY 2 THURSDAY, 19 JUNE 2024

# TH 19 Panel / Reflections on Identity/Nationality, Positionality and Knowledge Production in researching (Counter-)Terrorism in the Global South

10:45 - 12:15, Grand 4, Europa Hotel

Convenors: Akinyemi Oyawale (University of Warwick), Emeka Njoku

(University of Birmingham)

Chair: Emeka Njoku (University of Birmingham)

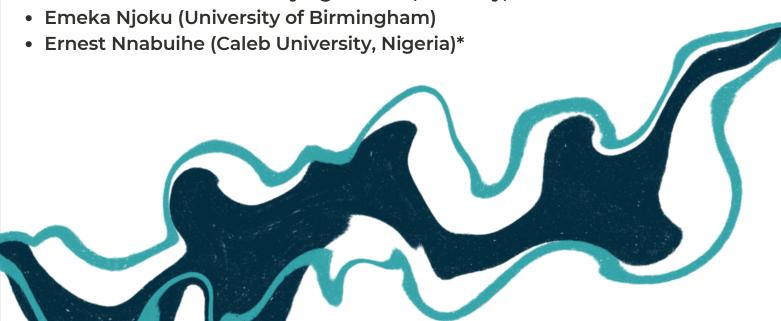
Reflexivity and the Global South: Displacement and (Counter-)Terrorism in Nigeria

• Akinyemi Oyawale (University of Warwick)

Navigating 'Political Undesirability': Identity Negotiations in Critical Terrorism Research in Nigeria

Joshua Akintayo (University of Kent)

In the Shadow of the Nigerian Civil War: Reflexivity on the Lived Experiences of Children of Survivors Studying Conflict, Security, and Violence



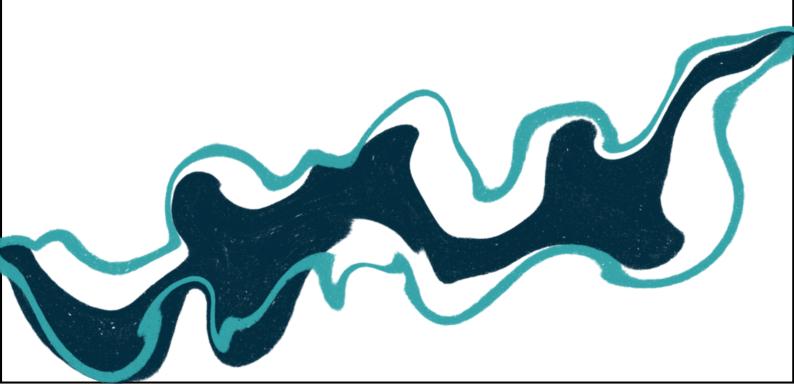
## DAY 2 THURSDAY, 19 JUNE 2024

TH 19 Roundtable / Teaching Terrorism and Counterterrorism. Activities for the Classroom.

10:45 - 12:15, Grand 4, Europa Hotel

Sponsor: Critical Studies on Terrorism Working Group Chair: Alice Martini (Universidad Complutense de Madrid)

- Louise Pears (University of Leeds)
- Julian Schmid (Central European University)
- Raquel Silva (Iscte University Institute of Lisbon)
- Carl Gibson (University of Nottingham)



## DAY 2 THURSDAY, 19 JUNE 2024

**Endorsed by Critical Studies on Terrorism Working Group** 

TH 19 Panel / Genocidal Conjunctures and the Politics of Futurity in the Middle East 10:45 - 12:15, Paris, Europa Hotel

Sponsor: Colonial, Postcolonial and Decolonial Working Group

Convener: Sophie Chamas (SOAS, University of London)
Chair: Niharika Pandit (Queen Mary University of London)

Seeds of Revolution: Egyptian and Syrian Solidarity with the Second Palestinian Intifada as the Germination of the 2011 Uprisings

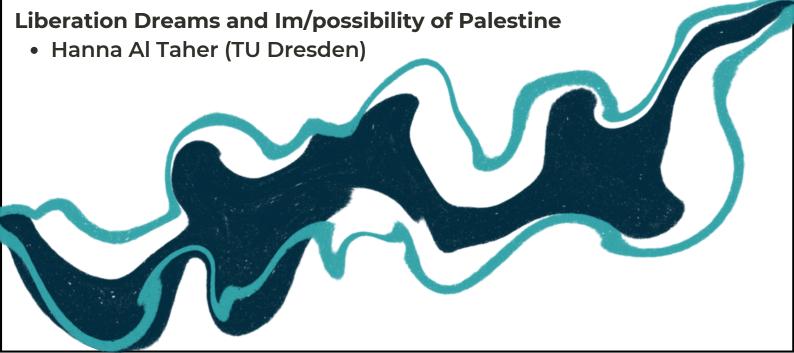
Jack McGinn (London School of Economics)

Palestine and the Quest for Justice in Past and Future History

• Omar Al Ghazzi (London School of Economics)

### A Haunting on X

• Sophie Chamas (SOAS, University of London)



### FR 20 Panel / Local productions of security

09:00 - 10:30, Farset, Grand Central Hotel

**Convenor:** Critical Studies on Terrorism Working Group

Chair: Alice Finden

### The Local Security Entrepreneur

Nick Brooke (University of St Andrews)

### Community as a site of counter-terror governance

Amna Kaleem (University of Sheffield)

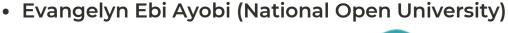
Supporting self-surveillance: teachers safeguarding pupils from the **Prevent Duty Guidance.** 

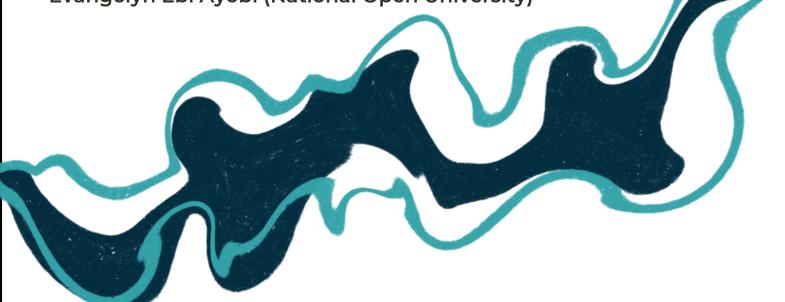
Jane Horton (University of Liverpool)

Deconstructing terrorism and reintegration: A qualitative study of community attitude towards the reintegration of former Boko Haram members and their families in Nigeria

Tarela Juliet Ike (Teeside University)

Mieyebi Lawrence Ike (Southern New Hampshire University)\*





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FR 20 Roundtable / Resisting Complicity with Genocide in Universities and Academic Spaces (Part 1): Activism and Pedagogy

09:00 - 10:30, Minor Hall, Assembly Buildings Conference Centre

**Sponsor:** Colonial, Postcolonial and Decolonial Working Group **Chair:** Sharri Plonski (Queen Mary University of London)

- Catherine Chiniara Charrett (University of Westminster)
- Nicola Pratt (University of Warwick)
- Leila Mouhib (Université libre de Bruxelles, Belgium)
- Amira Abdelhamid
- Simon Campbell (Aston University)



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FR 20 Roundtable / Complicity with Genocide in Universities and Academic Spaces (Part 2): Silencing Palestine

10:45 - 12:15, Grand 5, Europa Hotel

**Sponsor:** Colonial, Postcolonial and Decolonial Working Group **Chair:** Jelena Obradovic-Wochnik (Aston University)

- Heba Youssef (University of Brighton)
- Amna Kaleem (University of Sheffield)
- James Foley and Neil Russell (Glasgow Caledonian University)
- Alice Finden (Durham University)
- Andrew Delatolla (University of Leeds)



### FR 20 Panel / Gendering (counter)terrorism

10:45 - 12:15, Amsterdam, Europa Hotel

**Convenor:** Critical Studies on Terrorism Working Group

Chair: Xavier Mathieu (University of Sheffield)

Deradicalising Misogyny: Countering Red Pill Violence and Extremism in the Manosphere

• Kate Scott (University of Sydney)

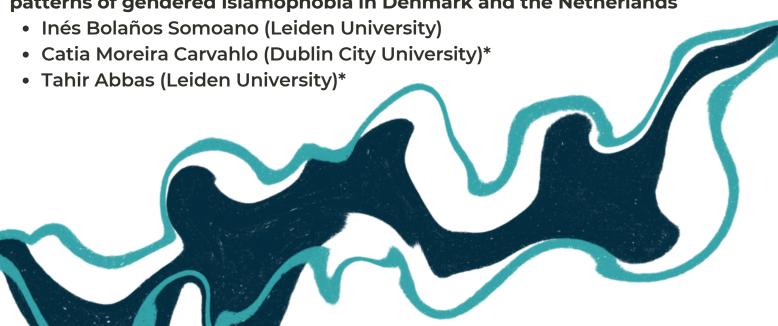
Judged and Tried: An Interrogation of the Social Construction of Female Political Violence in German Domestic Courts

Carlotta Sallach (Central European University)

A mixed-method investigation focused on the impact of gender stereotypes on news coverage and the manifestations of gender framing on women associated with jihadist terrorism.

• Olivia Caskey (University of Portsmouth)

Social exclusion and the Securitisation of Islam in North-West Europe: patterns of gendered Islamophobia in Denmark and the Netherlands



# FR 20 Panel / The state, politics and governance of political violence

13:15 - 14:45, Minor Hall, Assembly Buildings Conference Centre

Convenor: Critical Studies on Terrorism Working Group Chair: Rabea Khan (Liverpool John Moores University)

Crushing Dissent by Countering Extremism? A Framework for Analysing Illiberal P/CVE Practices Across Bangladesh, China, Somaliland, and Nigeria

- Mohammad Islam (University of Leeds and University of Dhaka)\*
- Mohamed Mohamood (University of Leeds)
- Kelechi Okengwu (University of Leeds)\*
- Hengfeng Zhao (University of Leeds)

Naming the 'Islamic State': A Corpus-Based Discourse Analysis of Terminology and Naming Politics in Chinese State-Controlled Media"

Qiang Zhang (University of Sheffield)

To 'fight for earth or dirt': Comparing representations of the 'nation' in the English language propaganda produced by the Islamic State and Hay'at Tahrir al-Sham (and its predecessors)

• Harrison Swinhoe (University of Leeds)

New Trends of Islamophobia in the Counter-Extremism State

Richard McNeil-Willson (University of Edinburgh)

Far Right Conspiracy Theories & Egyptian Political Narratives: Insights from the Field





# FR 20 Panel / Colonialism, counterterrorism and the emergency

15:00 - 16:30, Blackstaff, Grand Central Hotel

**Convenor: Critical Studies on Terrorism Working Group** 

Chair: Amna Kaleem (University of Sheffield)

Dark Diplomacy and State Terrorism: Portugal, Rhodesia and Apartheid 1960-1994

Simon Taylor (Durham University)

Terrorism, Violence and the Political: Red and White Terrors in French Indochina

Xavier Mathieu (University of Sheffield)

Far Right Terror as White Settler Violence: Reading Christchurch through Settler Colonial Studies

• Katherine Newman (UNSW)



### FR 20 Panel / Producing enemies

15:00 - 16:30, Amsterdam, Europa Hotel

**Convenor: Critical Studies on Terrorism Working Group** 

**Chair:** Mustapha Pasha (University of Aberystwyth)

A Shift in Narratives: The (German) Foreign Fighter in Ukraine

• Louise Tiessen (University of Kent)

Governing global enemies. The UN and P/CVE as a Foucauldian dispositif

• Alice Martini (Universidad Complutense de Madrid)

The Role of Religious Concepts in Political Propaganda on Terrorism in Spain: The Madrid (2004) and Barcelona (2017) Attacks

• Carlos Yebra Lopez (California State University at Fullerton)



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# FR 20 Panel / Infrastructural violence and settler spaces of control, Palestine and beyond

15:00 - 16:30, Penthouse Suite, Europa Hotel

Convenor: Colonial, Postcolonial and Decolonial Working Group

Chair: Sharri Plonski (Queen Mary University of London)

Techno-Political Control and Epistemic Violence: Israeli Dominance over Telecommunication Infrastructure in Gaza

• Ghadir Awad (University of Michigan)

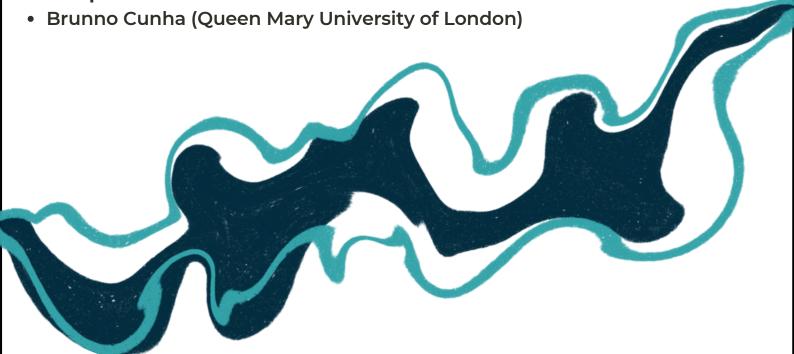
Life and Death on the Walls of Polis: Urban Space and Class in Empire's Kabul

• Anil Yildirim (University of Exeter)

Rehabilitating Sovereignty? Reconstruction Projects in Gaza and the Cementing of the Israeli Control

• Jakub Zahora (University of New York, Prague)

The Yanomami Mining Boom Warfare: Critiquing Capitalism and War with Davi Kopenawa



# FR 20 Panel / Interrogating the 'wisdom' of counterterrorism methodologies

16:45 - 18:15, Berlin, Europa Hotel

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Chair: Ritu Vij (University of Aberdeen)

### "Accelerationism" and its status as a term within terrorism studies

• Milan Reith (Radboud University, Netherlands)

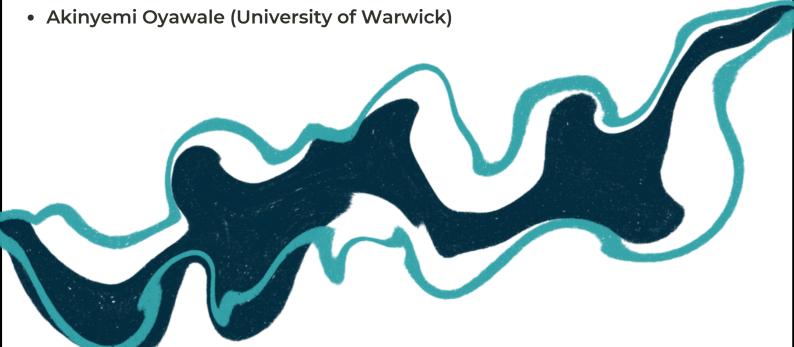
### **Counter-Radicalisation and Online Learning**

- Nick Brooke (University of St Andrews)
- Patrick Finnegan (University of Lincoln)

Making (non)sense of deradicalisation: ambiguity, ambivalence, and emotional-bodily struggles in the field

• Yrsa Landström (Swedish Defence University)

A Tale of (Non)Violence and (Non)Extremism: Unpacking the Politics of Violent Extremism in the Sahel and Lake Chad Basin



### FR 20 Panel / The global dynamics of counterterrorism 16:45 - 18:15, Room 3, Assembly Buildings Conference Centre

**Convenor:** Critical Studies on Terrorism Working Group

**Chair:** Marine Gueguin (Leeds Beckett University)

Preventative Detention and Internment: The evolution and folley of antiterrorism incarceration

Ashley Carver (Saint Mary's University)

The Transnational Reach of White Supremacist Music: Strategic Responses to Hate-Driven Propaganda

- Bradley Galloway (Ontario Tech University)
- Jamie Noulty (Queen's University, Canada)

Global silences as privilege: The international community's white silence on far-right terrorism

• Alice Martini (Complutense University of Madrid)

Counterterrorism, the Prohibition of Torture and the Undoing of Human Rights Knowledge

