

Expert Conversations: Talking about recruitment, radicalization and emerging threats
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**Panel I:
Recruitment, radicalization and gender**

Time CET	Activity
11:00 – 11:10	Introduction, Nikola Vučić, N1
11:10 – 11:40	Expert Talk I: Dr Charlie Winter, Centre for the Study of Radicalisation Topic: Visual Propaganda, online recruitment and memes as a weapon of radicalisation Discussant: Nejra Veljan, Atlantic Initiative
11:40 – 12:10	Expert talk II: Dr Eviane Leidig, Center for Research on Extremism Topic: Alt-Right Women and Gendered Recruitment Discussant: Hana Sokolović, Network of Activist Changes
12:10 – 12:40	Expert Talk III: Greta Jasser, Research associate at University of Hildesheim and PhD student at the Leuphana University Lüneburg Topic: Male supremacy, Online Misogyny, and the Far-Right Discussant: Maida Čehajić Čampara, Atlantic Initiative
12:40 – 13:00	Moderator and discussant: Nikola Vučić, N1
13:00 – 13:30	Questions and Answers

About the Moderator



At the age of 20, Nikola Vučić became the youngest host of Dnevnik on Federal Television in Sarajevo, where he worked as a journalist and presenter for a year, after which in 2016 he switched to N1 television - CNN's exclusive regional news partner for the Balkans. He is the author of a series of journalistic articles. He is also the author of the book 'Critique of Toxic Masculinity – modern research review' published by Friedrich Ebert Stiftung.

About the Speakers



Dr. Charlie Winter is a Senior Research Fellow at the International Centre for the Study of Radicalisation (ICSR) and Research Coordinator for the ICSR-led, GIFCT-funded research consortium, the Global Network on Extremism and Technology (GNET). His work focuses on how and why violent extremists use strategic communication to further their political and military agendas in both on- and offline spaces. His position at ICSR is currently supported by the Global Internet Forum for Counter-Terrorism (GIFCT), Facebook, the UK

Home Office, and the US Department for Homeland Security. Besides this, Winter is an Associate Fellow at the International Centre for Counter-Terrorism in the Hague and an Associate of the Imperial War Museum Institute in London. Winter is also a member of the RESOLVE Network Research Advisory Council. His PhD in the Department of War Studies at King's College London was supported by Facebook as part of the Online Civil Courage Initiative.



Greta Jasser is a research associate at the University of Hildesheim and a PhD student at Leuphana University Lüneburg, Germany. Her research analyses anglophone far-right and misogynist online networks across webpages and social media. She focuses on Alt-Tech platforms from the movements for the movements, and other openly accessible websites, forums, and communities from the Manosphere and the far-right. Jasser is a doctoral fellow at the Centre for Analysis of the Radical Right (CARR), and a founding member of the Institute for Research on Male Supremacy (IRMS).



Dr. Eviane Leidig is a postdoctoral affiliate at the Center for Research on Extremism at the University of Oslo. Her research currently explores the far right, gender, and online radicalization, recruitment, and propaganda in India and North America. She is a co-founder and co-editor of a new Manchester University Press book series called 'Global Studies of the Far Right'. In addition to her academic pursuits, she serves as the Head of Policy for the London-based Centre for Analysis of the Radical Right, and is an Associate Fellow at the Global Network on Extremism and Technology. Eviane regularly consults and gives talks for policymakers such as the U.S. State Department, the European Commission, national and regional intelligence agencies and law enforcement, and the Global Internet Forum to Counter

Terrorism (GIFCT). Her work has appeared in international news outlets such as *Foreign Policy*, *Al Jazeera*, *BBC*, *Huffington Post*, and *Radio Free Europe*.

About the Discussants



Nejra Veljan is a researcher at the 'Atlantic Initiative – Center for Security and Justice Research', an NGO based in Bosnia and Herzegovina. The focus of her research for Atlantic Initiative includes radicalization, violent extremism, gender and jurisprudence. She has authored and co-authored several research papers on these topics. Veljan is a PhD Researcher at the Institute of History at De Montfort University (UK). She holds an LLM degree from the Faculty of Law, University of Sarajevo, and an MA in Security Studies from the Faculty of Criminal Justice, Criminology and Security Studies at the same university. Her PhD research focuses on the trajectory of geopolitical shifts in Bosnia and Herzegovina through the Peace Implementation Council. She

is an external research associate in the organization 'Forgotten Children of War'.



Hana Sokolović is a 25-year-old journalist, psychologist and activist. She recently founded the NGO Network of Activist Changes which implements projects on human rights, and is currently fully dedicated to its development. For three years she was a part of N1 Bosnia and Herzegovina television, an exclusive affiliate of CNN for the Balkans – first as an intern, later as a journalist, anchor and editor. Her master's degree in psychology deals with how the media influences the political and social attitudes and values of its consumers; she undertook research on different social and political topics for the project "Perspektiva", which focuses on youth. She was a speaker at the EU Western Balkan media days and a speaker and moderator of many panels and discussions organized by various CSOs, such as Humanity in Action, Friedrich Ebert Stiftung, Paneuropean Union, Forum of Left initiative, Forgotten Children of War, Foundation CURE and others. She is an

ALUMNI member of the Council of Europe School of Political Studies in Bosnia and Herzegovina.



Maida Čehajić-Čampara has over 14 years of experience in the area of gender equality and has worked for BiH institutions, CSOs and international organizations. She worked on development and implementation of the BiH Gender Action Plan and the Action Plan for Implementation of UNSCR 1325. Working in different working environments enabled her to develop an extensive understanding and experience in applying gender mainstreaming into strategies, policies, programs and projects. She also has important international experience, working on the gender mainstreaming of projects in Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Montenegro, Macedonia and Kosovo. She also has knowledge in gender reporting. Additionally, Maida has participated in projects that include vulnerable groups, including women with disabilities and Roma women. Maida holds a bachelor's degree in History from the Faculty of Philosophy at the University of Sarajevo and has been awarded several fellowships for her work, including the Department of State's International Visitor Leadership Program:

“Women and Justice”, and Train Program Policy Development (German Ministry of Foreign Affairs).