



All for one and one for all? Coalitions in the fight against terrorism

Friday 17th March, 2017. 10:00–13:30

Badia Fiesolana, Emeroteca

Max Weber Multidisciplinary Research Workshop

Like the mythological Hydra, multilateral coalitions have many heads and the potential to be extremely effective. Unlike the Hydra, however, the coalition's heads often go their own way, following their own strategy even when it is at odds with the overall goal of the coalition. Managing these coalitions is an extenuating and yet vital task in the fight against terrorism. The workshop aims to explore the formation of multilateral coalitions, the way they fight, the dilemmas and trade-offs they face and to identify best practices in coalition management. For instance, what lessons can be drawn from the multilateral operations against the Islamic State in Mosul? How can multilateral coalitions share the intelligence their partners possess without compromising that intelligence? How have the EU and NATO fared in its fight against terrorism? The workshop brings together academics and practitioners, with keynote speeches by Ambassador Alessandro Minuto-Rizzo, former Deputy Secretary General of NATO, and Prof. Olivier Roy

Schedule and speakers

10:00-11:30 Marina Henke (Assistant Professor, Northwestern University)
Constructing cooperation. How countries build multilateral military coalitions

Matteo Faini (Max Weber Fellow, Robert Schuman Center for Advanced Studies)

Friendly spies? Intelligence cooperation in the fight against terrorism

Stefano Marcuzzi (Max Weber Fellow, Robert Schuman Center for Advanced Studies)

The EU's new approach in counter-terrorism.

11:30-11:50 Coffee Break

11:50-13:30 Tine Gade (Max Weber Fellow, Robert Schuman Center for Advanced Studies)

Winning the war, losing the peace? Local actors in the Mosul campaign (2016-7)

Keynote speakers:

Ambassador Alessandro Minuto-Rizzo (President of the NATO Defense College Foundation, former Deputy Secretary General of NATO)

NATO and the fight against terrorism

Olivier Roy (Professor, Joint Chair in the Robert Schuman Center for Advanced Studies and in Mediterranean Studies)

The debate on de-radicalization in the West

Designated discussant: Francesco Strazzari, Associate Professor, Università Sant'Anna di Pisa.

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