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**INTERNATIONAL EXPERTS SHORT BIOS**

**SESSION 1**

**INTERNATIONAL LEGAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS FRAMEWORKS ON COUNTERING THE USE  
OF THE INTERNET FOR TERRORIST PURPOSES AND RELATED CRIMES**

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**Johannes HEILER (Mr.)**, is a human rights professional from Germany who serves as Adviser on Anti-Terrorism Issues in the Human Rights Department of the OSCE ODIHR. He has worked at ODIHR in different capacities since August 2013, including in the implementation of projects to strengthen the protection of human rights defenders. From 2003 to 2013 he worked at Amnesty International in London, where he was primarily engaged in the human rights law and policy area and conducted advocacy work on a broad range of issues with international and regional human rights mechanisms and institutions, including the United Nations and the

Council of Europe. He studied in Hamburg (Germany), Venice (Italy) and Dublin (Ireland) and holds a Master's degree in Political Science as well as a European Master's Degree in Human Rights and Democratization (E.MA).

**Elena CHERNIAVSKA, *Senior Advisor, Office of OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media***



**Elena (Olana) CHERNIAVSKA (Ms.)**, Senior Adviser at the Office of the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media, in 2014 -- 2015 a member of the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine, where she was a political affairs officer in the Kherson team. Previously co-founded and chaired the Institute for Democracy, Media and Cultural Exchange in Germany and was head of central and east European programme of the European Institute for the Media in Duesseldorf (Germany). Supervised and implemented projects in 18 countries of central and eastern Europe as well

as Caucasus and Central Asia.

**Jagoda WALOREK, Advisor, UNODC Pakistan**



**Jagoda WALOREK (Ms.)** Jagoda is an international human rights lawyer, specializing in prevention of radicalization and violent extremism. She currently serves as an advisor to UNODC Pakistan on counterterrorism through the criminal justice chain. Prior to that, Jagoda worked as the Focal Point for Prevention of Violent Extremism in UNDP's Eurasia Regional Hub and several other UN Offices. Working for the UN at HQ, regional and country levels provided her with insight on the policy and practice of advancing rule of law and conflict prevention in multitude of contexts.

**Mr. Otabek RASHIDOV, Programme Officer, OSCE Secretariat**



**Otabek RASHIDOV (Mr.)** is a Programme Officer in the Transnational Threats Department/Action against Terrorism unit of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), the largest regional security arrangement under Chapter VIII of the United Nations Charter. He is responsible for the design and implementation of capacity-building activities for requesting OSCE participating States, as well as broader co-ordination of the Organization's activities in the field of countering the Use of Internet for Terrorist Purposes. Otabek joined the OSCE Secretariat in 2018 and previously worked in the Politico-Military Dimension of the OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Uzbekistan. His portfolio included several projects focused on addressing such transnational threats as illicit drug circulation, terrorism, and non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction. He was also in charge of implementation of

the projects dealing with improvement of staff training system for law enforcement bodies, border security and cyber security. Before joining the OSCE, he worked for 6 years as a Political/Security Adviser in the Japan International Co-operation Agency (JICA) office in Uzbekistan. In addition to his Master Degree from Tashkent State University he also holds a degree of Master of Public Administration from The University of York, Great Britain, with a specialization in Public Administration in International Development.

**SESSION 2**

**REGIONAL TENDENCIES: STRATEGIES OF INTERNET REGULATION AND COMBATTING VIOLENT EXTREMIST CONTENT**

**Mikhail KOMISSAROV, Deputy Chairman, Public Control in the field of Communication, Informatization and Mass Media Committee, Ministry of Information and Communication Kazakhstan**

**Mikhail KOMISSAROV (Mr.)** is graduated from the Law Faculty of the Academy of National Security



Committee of Kazakhstan (1999) and from the Finance & Credit Faculty of the Eurasian National University named after L.N. Gumilev (2003). From 1999 to 2003 he occupied various positions in the information and analytical divisions of the national security authorities. In 2004 Mikhail was appointed a Director of the Department for Information Space Monitoring of the Agency for Communications and Information of the Republic of Kazakhstan. During 2014-2015 Mikhail served as a Head of the Monitoring Department of the Committee for Communications, Informatization and Information of the Ministry of Investments and Development of the Republic of Kazakhstan. In 2015-2016 he took the

position of the Deputy Director of “Analysis and Information Centre” of the Ministry of Information and Communications of the Republic of Kazakhstan. On 10 January 2017, he was appointed Deputy Chairman of the Committee on State Control of Communications, Information and Mass Media of the Ministry of Information and Communications of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

**Nuriddin KARSHIBOEV**, Chair, the National Association of Independent Media of Tajikistan (NANSMIT)



**Nuriddin KARSHIBOEV (Mr.)** is the Chairman of the National Association of Independent Media of Tajikistan (NANSMIT). He started his career in the republican newspaper *Tojikistoni Soveti*, working as a correspondent, head of the department, head of the creative association, deputy editor-in-chief. Later, he was appointed to the post of deputy director of the Tajik news agency *Khovar*. In January 1998, he established a private news agency *Inter-press-service*. He was one of the initiators of the creation of the National Association of Independent Media of Tajikistan (NANSMIT), became chairman of the association, in 2002 was reelected for the second, and in 2007 for a third term. He was a participant and organizer of numerous regional and international conferences in the field of mass media. Mr. Karshiboyev has a wide experience of coaching, moderating and facilitation work. He is author of more than 600 articles, essays and scientific reports.

**Asomiddin ATOEV**, Regional Project Coordinator, Civil Initiative on Internet Policy, Tajikistan



**Asomiddin ATOEV** is an expert on ICT4D in Tajikistan and the broader CIS region. He is currently working as a project coordinator for the SecDev Foundation in Central Asia, based in Kyrgyz Republic. Graduating with a MSc from Manchester University, he has dedicated himself to the policymaking and practices in the field of ICT4D for the last 20 years. During this period, he managed and successfully implemented several major national ICT projects including: (1) the first public email service in Tajikistan; (2) Internet Capacity Building in Tajik education system; and (3) regular monitoring and evaluation of the ICT market programme. He has been actively involved in rolling out of the UN-APCICT training modules on ICT4D in the national and regional levels since 2011. Mr. Atoev has also published numerous publications in the domain of ICT4D, and one of his articles, “e-Citizen Capability

Development,” was honored in International Conference on Theory and Practice of Electronic Governance 2011 as the best paper on theory and practice of electronic management. As an International Policy Fellowships (IPF) 2004-2005 fellow he conducted research on issues concerning the intellectual property rights in software market of the Central Asian countries with expansion of Internet in the region (<http://www.policy.hu/atoev>). He also completed a British Council-sponsored MSc in Computer Science at the University of Salford. Asomiddin is also a co-author to number of researches in the national level on e-readiness, cybersecurity, open data, digital broadcasting and regulation of telecommunications and broadcasting sectors.



**Kunaal SHARMA**, *Postdoctoral Fellow in the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich, Switzerland*

**Kunaal SHARMA (Mr.)** is currently an ETH Postdoctoral Fellow at ETH Zürich in Switzerland. Originally from New York, he completed his B.A. and Ph.D. in political science from Columbia University. Kunaal specializes in applying experimental research designs to study which types of interventions are most effective in reducing tolerance and extremism, and why.

### **SESSION 3**

#### **Covering Activities of Violent Extremist and Terrorist Groups: Challenges for the Media and Reporters**

**Inga SIKORSKAYA**, *Director, School of Peace Making and Media Technology in Central Asia, Kyrgyzstan*



**Inga SIKORSKAYA (Ms.)** is the director of School of Peacemaking and Media Technology in Central Asia since 2013. She is a professional journalist, media expert and trainer. Her areas of expertise include freedom of speech/ freedom expression, media monitoring for hate speech, countering extremism propaganda, diversity and journalism. She has wide international experiences, speaks and moderates for several international conferences on topics of her expertise. She led several workshops for countering online hate speech and training-seminars on role of media in covering VERLT for journalists and government officials. She was also a member of a working group on Combating Hatred in Social Media – Exploring Interrelations with Freedom of Opinion and Expression of the OSCE Programme Office in Dushanbe. Inga is working on developing a Handbook for Journalists “How to Avoid Extremism Propaganda in the Media and on the Internet” (2018) and relevant training materials as well as the first online course for journalists and activists in Kyrgyzstan and Central Asia on how to cover ethnic, cultural and linguistic diversity in time of peace and conflict. Prior to this, she served as a senior editor for the British Institute for War and Peace Reporting (IWPR) for seven years and wrote over 50 reports for the Institute.

### **SESSION 4**

#### **Investigations of the Different Components and Protection and Recovery of Forensic Data in Investigations on Countering the Use of the Internet for Terrorist Purposes**



**Keith VERRALLS**, *Independent Counter Terrorism Consultant, former Detective Inspector, Counter Terrorism Command, New Scotland Yard, United Kingdom*

**Keith VERRALLS (Mr.)** has some 40 years’ policing experience, gained as a Detective investigating serious and organised crime, whilst serving with both the Metropolitan Police and on attachment to the National Crime Squad for England & Wales. In 2004 he was selected for the Counter Terrorism

Command based at New Scotland Yard, where until his retirement earlier this year he led one of the Command's enquiry teams. In this role he was responsible for investigating acts of terrorism both in the United Kingdom and against British citizens overseas. Specifically, he has successfully investigated several major cases focussed on international terrorist use of the Internet, a subject area in which he has specialised. As a regular speaker on terrorism matters, he has previously presented at national workshops of UNODC & OSCE, including previously in Uzbekistan and other Central Asian countries. Keith is now a private consultant advising on counter terrorism issues. He is the holder of a Master's Degree in Terrorism Studies.

**Francisco NUNES, Independent Cyber Forensic Investigator and Analyser, former Cyber Crime Investigator of Portuguese Department of Criminal Investigation and Prosecution, Portugal**



**Francisco NUNES (Mr.)** is an Cyber Forensic Investigator and Analyser working somewhere in the Americas, Since May 2016. Before he was a OSCE consultant and trainer on Cyber Forensics for the Kosovo Police and Kosovo Forensics Agency. He worked since 2008 as A cyber Crime Investigator on Portuguese Department of Criminal Investigation and Prosecution(attorney general office)Dealing with cases related with Corruption, Money Laundering, Child Pornography, Trafficking in drugs and weapons, abuse of power and coercion and sexual harassment, among others. Since 2003 he has been Head of the Technical Support Division of Military Judicial Police, where he implemented the cyber forensic office and

lofoscopic laboratory.

**Claudia WAGNER, Researcher, Tech Against Terrorism, London**



**Claudia WAGNER (Ms.)** is a Researcher on the Tech Against Terrorism Initiative, implemented on behalf of the UN Counter-Terrorism Executive Directorate (UN CTED) pursuant to UN Security Council Resolutions. Our mandate is to develop innovative public-private partnerships that support industry-led self-regulation in tackling the terrorist exploitation of the internet whilst respecting human rights. With a background on security in Eurasia, Ms Wagner has previously worked on these issues at international organisations, in government and at private consultancies.

**SESSION 5**

**Judicial co-operation at the regional and international levels on countering the use of the Internet for terrorist purposes**

**Col. Marianna KOCHUBEY, Expert of the Anti-Terrorism Center of the Commonwealth of Independent States**



**Marianna A. KOCHUBEY (Ms.)** serves as a Chair of the Scientific and Advisory Council at CIS ATC since 2006.

She is a Doctor of Legal Sciences and a Police Colonel. Before joining the CIS ATC, Marianna Kochubey had been in the Ministry of Interior of the Russian Federation since 1983.

She was also a Professor at the Criminology Department of the Moscow University of the Ministry of Interior of the Russian Federation.