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**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE OSCE
“ON THE ROLE OF YOUTH IN PREVENTING AND COUNTERING VIOLENT
EXTREMISM AND RADICALIZATION THAT LEAD TO TERRORISM”**

Venue:

International Hotel Tashkent
Amir Temur Avenue 107A, Tashkent
Amir Temur Hall

DRAFT AGENDA

11-12 June, Tashkent & Samarkand

10 JUNE 2018	
19:00- 21:30	”Informal Dinner” (for participants of the Conference)
11 JUNE 2018	
08:00- 09:00	Registration of participants
WELCOME ADDRESS	
09:00- 10:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Sadyk SAFAEV, First Vice-Speaker of the Senate of Oliy Majlis of the Republic of Uzbekistan • Mr. Thomas GREMINGER, OSCE Secretary General • Ms. Jayathma WICKRAMANAYAKE, UN Secretary-General’s Envoy on Youth • Mr. Jehangir KHAN, Director of the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism • Mr. Peter BURIAN, EU Special Representative for Central Asia • Mr. Kakhramon KURANBAYEV, State Advisor to the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan on Youth Policy, Chairman of the Central Council of the Union of Youth of Uzbekistan <p>Moderator: Mr. John MACGREGOR, OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Uzbekistan</p>
OPENING PLENARY SESSION:	
10:00- 11:20	LEGAL AND POLICY FRAMEWORKS OF PREVENTING AND COUNTERING VIOLENT EXTREMISM AND RADICALIZATION THAT LEAD TO TERRORISM AMONG YOUTH: INTERNATIONAL AND NATIONAL EFFORTS
	<p>The introductory plenary meeting will be devoted to the international, regional and national legal and policy instruments and frameworks that support efforts to prevent and counter violent extremism and radicalization that lead to terrorism (P/CVERLT), with a special emphasis on countering terrorist narratives and the role of youth.</p> <p><u>The session will focus on:</u></p>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ An overview of the development of the international legal basis for P/CVERLT;○ Learnings from international experience about legal and regulatory frameworks for P/CVERLT;○ Identification of main directions of inter-state collaboration in further improving the legal and institutional frameworks in P/CVERLT;○ Identification of basic tasks and challenges related to international co-operation in P/CVERLT. <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Speaker 1 – Mr. Johannes HEILER, Adviser on Anti-Terrorism Issues, ODIHR, Warsaw● Speaker 2 – Ms. Shelley INGLIS, Governance and Peacebuilding Cluster Leader, UNDP Istanbul Regional Hub● Speaker 3 – Mr. Arturo LAURENT GONZALEZ, Terrorism Prevention Branch, Division for Treaty Affairs, UNODC, Vienna● Speaker 4 – Mr. Umidjon SULAYMANOV, Deputy, Committee on defence and security issues of the Legislative Chamber of Oliy Majlis of Uzbekistan● Speaker 5 – Mr. Antonio ALONSO, Professor of International Relations of the University of San Pablo, Madrid● Speaker 6 – Mr. Yu Zhigang, Standing Committee of the National People's Congress, China <p>Speakers (10 min), Discussions (20 min.)</p> <p>Moderators: Mr. Akmal SAIDOV, Director of the National Human Rights Center of the Republic of Uzbekistan Ms. Rasa OSTRauskaite, Co-ordinator of Activities to Address Transnational, OSCE Secretariat, Vienna</p>
11:20-11:40	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:40-13:00	<u>PLENARY SESSION 1</u> CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE STATE AND CIVIL SOCIETY IN COUNTERING VIOLENT EXTREMISM AND TERRORISM
	The States of Central Asia face various challenges, including those related to infiltration of ideology of violent extremist; the vulnerability of young people vis-a-vis the influence of violent radical ideas. Effective actions to counter terrorism require active partnership between Governments, civil society, the private sector, the media and academia. To ensure sustainability and effectiveness there should be an institutionalized co-operation between relevant actors.



	<p><u>The session will focus on:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Study of the role of civil society institutions in P/CVERLT among youth; ○ Development of measures to enhance partnership between government bodies, private sector and civil society; ○ Strengthening the role of civil society and authorities in P/CVERLT; ○ Empowerment of youth and strengthening the role of education in P/CVERLT efforts; ○ Strengthening a regional co-operation among the countries of Central Asia in the field of science, culture and sport in order to prevent youth from falling under the influence of terrorism and violent extremism. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Speaker 1 – Mr. Noufal ABBOUD, Country Director Morocco, Search for Common Ground, Morocco ● Speaker 2 – Mr. Alexei STAROSTIN, Ural Association "Center for Ethno-Confessional Studies, Prevention of Extremism and Countering the Ideology of Terrorism", Russian Federation ● Speaker 3 – Mr. Dov LYNCH, Chief of Section, UNESCO HQ, Education Sector, Paris ● Speaker 4 – Mr. Gul MOHAMMAD ABDULLA, Head of the Pakistan Youth Movement "Tehreek Javan-e Pakistan / Kashmir" ● Speaker 5 – Mr. Jurabek YULDASHEV, Senior Detective on countering terrorism and extremism, Ministry of Interior of Uzbekistan ● Speaker 6 – Mr. Bal Krishnan SHARMA, Deputy Director, "United Service Institution of India" <p>Speakers (10 min), Discussions (20 min.)</p> <p>Moderators: Mr. Erkin YULDASHEV, Deputy Prosecutor General of Uzbekistan Ms. Helena FRASER, UN Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative for the Republic of Uzbekistan</p>
13:00-14:00	<i>Lunch</i>
14:00-15:20	<p><u>PLENARY SESSION 2</u> “CONTEMPORARY CHALLENGES AND THE ROLE OF YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS IN THE PREVENTION OF VIOLENT EXTREMISM AND TERRORISM”</p>
	<p>An important place in the overall system of prevention of violent extremism among youth people is given to activities of youth associations whose purpose is to organize positive and constructive activities for adolescents and youth. The countries of the Central Asian region are</p>



	<p>coming to a firm understanding that all vital issues are possible only through the formulation of concerted approaches, broadened and deepened co-operation in the sphere of strengthening sustainable civic position among youth which enable an effective prevention and counteraction against terrorist ideologies and different violent extremist tendencies.</p> <p><u>The session will focus on:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Study of international best practices in attracting and promoting youth participation (e.g. in political decision making at local level), youth organizations in P/CVERLT;○ Preventing violent extremism through the empowerment of youth through education, skills development and promoting youth employment;○ The role of reputable youth public organizations focused on creative activities for the protection of the interests and needs of the younger generation;○ Prospects for youth involvement in the development and implementation of measures to P/CVERLT;○ Consideration of initiatives concerning the establishment of an international/regional youth associations of the Central Asian countries. <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Speaker 1 – Ms. Rachel BRYSON, Researcher, Tony Blair Institute for Global Change, London● Speaker 2 – Ms. Dilnoza KATTAKHANOVA, Deputy Chairman of the Central Council of the Youth Union of Uzbekistan● Speaker 3 – Ms. Dina IGLIKOVA, Resident Coordinator, Mampassi Collective● Speaker 4 – Ms. Tatiana SELIVERSTOVA, Deputy Chairman of "Russian youth union" organization● Speaker 5 – Ms. Jessica BANFIELD, Conflict Prevention and Peacebuilding Specialist, UNDP Istanbul Regional Hub● Speaker 6 – Mr. Rune BRANDRUP, Programme Specialist on Youth, UNFPA Regional Office, Istanbul <p>Speakers (10 min), Discussions (20 min.)</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Ashita MITTAL, UNODC Mr. Alisher Sadullayev, Deputy minister of public education of Uzbekistan</p>
15:20-16:40	<p><u>PLENARY SESSION 3</u> PREVENTING VIOLENT EXTREMISM IN THE INTERNET AND MEDIA</p>
	In today's world, the media is playing a leading role in promoting freedom



of expression The media has a significant impact on the promotion, design and guidance of specific ideas, values and beliefs. Youth needs to be trained in reading and discussing news critically in order to reduce their vulnerability to follow narratives that promote violent extremism. Social media can play a role in distributing alternative/countering narratives. Youth could be involved to develop and spread such positive narratives. States must have a policy and a regulatory framework that promotes pluralism and diversity of the media.

The session will focus on:

- Enhancing the role of advocacy activities, including information and communication technologies aimed at preventing and countering the spread of the ideology of terrorism and violent extremism among young people;
- Empowering youth with use of information and communication technologies: the Internet and social media as strategic channels of communication;
- Improvement of methods of the Internet and social networks use to prevent advocacy of hatred and violence;
- Development of specific initiatives aimed at promoting the full realization of the rights and opportunities of youth with ICTs;
- Improved media and information knowledge and skills among young people;
- Enhancing skills of youth to critically read news, to identify fake news and to engage confidently in online fora revealing and countering fake news.

- **Speaker 1 – Ms. Elena CHERNIAVSKA**, Senior Adviser, OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media, Vienna
- **Speaker 2 – Mr. Sobir SHUKUROV**, First Deputy General Director of the Uzbek Press and Information Agency
- **Speaker 3 – Mr. Dejan KESEROVIC**, Regional Coordinator for Central Asia, IOM - UN Migration Agency, Astana
- **Speaker 4 – Ms. Claudia WAGNER**, Research Analyst, Tech Against Terrorism, London
- **Speaker 5 – Mr. Viktor MIKHAYLOV**, Director, Center for Studying Regional Threats, Uzbekistan
- **Speaker 6 – Sharof RISKULOV**, Head of Division, Institute for Strategic and Interregional Studies under the President of Uzbekistan

Speakers (10 min), Discussions (20 min.)

Moderator:

Mr. Otabek RASHIDOV, OSCE Secretariat, Transnational Threats Department, Action against Terrorism Unit

Mr Ilkhom Abdullaev, Committee on the Issues of Innovative



	Development, Information Policy and Information Technologies of the Legislative Chamber of the Oliy Majlis (Parliament) of Uzbekistan
16:40-17:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
17:20-18:30	PLENERY SESSION 4: INTEGRATED APPROACH TO PREVENT AND COUNTER VIOLENT EXTREMISM AND RADICALIZATION THAT LEAD TO TERRORISM AMONG YOUTH
	<p>Actual problems of preventing and countering violent extremism and terrorism make it necessary to further improve the legal, social and organizational preventive mechanisms to adequately protect the mind of the younger generation from the effects of destructive ideologies which are distributed by organizations advocating violent extremism and terrorism. In this context, informing the youth of challenges arising from the dissemination of ideas of violent extremism and forming the skills of ideological and psychological self-protection are becoming a vital necessity. Sharing experiences in this area between the countries of the region, including discussions of problematic issues at the expert level can contribute to efficient searching and developing common stances to address the impact of destructive violent and extremist ideology on the mind of youth.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Regional and international experience to prevent and counter violent extremism and radicalization that lead to terrorism;○ Interaction with partner organizations to develop a national youth policy;○ Learning the best international and national practices in preventing and countering violent extremism and radicalization that lead to terrorism;○ Fostered regional co-operation on promoting participation of youth and youth organizations in countering extremism and terrorism;○ Developing recommendations for Central Asian countries on the effective use of youth capabilities in countering violent extremism and terrorism. <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Speaker 1 – Ms. Agnieszka Hejduk, Assistant Programme Officer, Action Against Terrorism Unit, Transnational Threats Department, OSCE Secretariat, Vienna● Speaker 2 – Mr. Mirlan PARKHANOV, Deputy Director, State Agency for Youth, Physical Culture and Sports under the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic● Speaker 3 – Mr. Gilberto ANTONIO DUARTE SANTOS, UNODC Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Officers (Education for Justice / Doha Process), Vienna● Speaker 4 – Ms. Karimova GAVHAR, Head of the Fund of the



	<p>President of the Republic of Uzbekistan "Istedod"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speaker 5 – Ms. Almadan OROZOBKOVA, PhD candidate, Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, Germany • Speaker 6 – Ms. Tarana BAGIROVA, Project Manager, Office of the OSCE Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings, Vienna <p>Speakers (10 min), Discussions (10 min.)</p> <p>Moderators: Mr. Majidov INOMJON, Minister of Higher and Secondary Special Education of the Republic of Uzbekistan Mr. Argo AVAKOV, Head of the Action Against Terrorism Unit, Transnational Threats Department, OSCE Secretariat, Vienna</p>
18.30 - 19:00	<u>CLOSING SESSION:</u>
	<p>Brief presentation of the Conference findings</p> <p><u>Closing Remarks:</u></p> <p>Ms. Rasa OSTRauskaite, Co-ordinator of Activities to Address Transnational, OSCE Secretariat, Vienna Ms. Helena FRASER, UN Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative for the Republic of Uzbekistan Ms. Tanzilya NARBAEVA, Deputy Prime-minister of Uzbekistan National Representative</p>
19:00	<p>Reception in honor of foreign guests and Ceremony of awarding the winners of the regional competition “Youth in Central Asia against Violent Extremism”</p>
12 JUNE 2018	
07:00	Departure to Tashkent railway station
08:30	Departure to Samarkand by Afrosiyob express train
10:40	Arrival to Samarkand
11:30-13:30	Dialogue with representatives of religious confessions and National Cultural Centres:



“THE EXPERIENCE OF UZBEKISTAN IN THE FIELD OF INTER-ETHNIC AND INTER-CONFESSIONAL RELATIONS”	
	<p>For centuries, Uzbekistan had been one of the world centres of spirituality, culture, science and education. It still remains the keeper of the high moral values of mankind. The atmosphere of religious harmony and mutual respect prevailing in present-day Uzbekistan has been generated by the entire evolution of spiritual and philosophical thoughts of Uzbek nation. The legacy of the great thinkers of Maverannahr, as Imam Bukhari, Abu Mansur Maturidiy, Mahmoud Zamakhshari, Nadzhmiddin Kubro, Abduxaliq Gijduvani, Bahauddin Naqshband and many others adequately reflects the common spiritual atmosphere of consent that existed between the religious communities and denominations.</p> <p>For many centuries, religious and socio-ethical standards and rules of Islam have had a substantial impact on the way of life of a significant number of the peoples of the world, including Central Asia. The social significance of Islam remains high. In this regard, in the period of major reforms in all spheres of life of the countries in the region, the development of other significant religious groups.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Speaker 1 – Mr. Albir KRGANOV, Mufti, Head of the Spiritual Assembly of the Muslims of Russia• Speaker 2 – Mr. Mohd YUSOF HAJI BIN OSMANA, Director of the Institute of Islamic Civilization of Malaysia• Speaker 3 – Mr. Abdullo ASLANOV, Chairperson of the Samarkand Branch, Youth Union of Uzbekistan• Speaker 4 – Ms. Belquis AHMADI, Senior Program Officer, United States Institute of Peace• Speaker 5 – Mr. Akifumi SHIOYA, Professor, Tsukuba University <p>Moderator: Mr. Shoazim MINOVAROV, Center for Islamic Civilization of Uzbekistan</p>
13:45-14:45	Reception hosted by the Khokim (Mayor) of Samarkand region
15:00-15:30	Meeting in the Roman Catholic Church
15:40-16:10	Meeting in the Armenian Apostolic Church



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16:20-18:00	Visits to the sightseeing (Hoja Doniyor, Guri Emir mausoleum, Shakhi-Zinda necropolis and etc.) and religious educational centers in Samarkand
18:00	Departure to the railway station of Samarkand
18:00	Arrival, departure to Tashkent by Afrosiyob express train
20:10	Arrival to Tashkent