

**Critical Studies on Terrorism Annual Conference, University of Leeds,
2015**

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'Beyond Critique'

All panels will take place in the Social Sciences Building, Room: 14.33

Panel One: Policy Relevance and CST I (Thursday, 10.00 am to 11.45)
Harmonie Toros (University of Kent) 'Selling out? Language and positionality in engaging with state actors from a CTS standpoint'
Jack Holland (University of Surrey) 'Ontology, Epistemology and the Normative Commitments of Critical Terrorism Studies 'Experts''
James Fitzgerald (Dublin City University) '"Middle East Studies, Terrorism Studies and the Power of Policy-Relevance''
Tom Smith (University of Portsmouth) 'Radicalised networks of terror in Asia: a policy and cultural foundation long due a replacement'.
Nick Robinson (University of Leeds) 'Military Videogames - beyond war and towards critique of the war on terror?'

Panel Two: Power, Knowledge and Critique (Thursday, 2.00 pm to 3.45)
Ben Whitham (Independent, Citizens Advice) 'From Ontology to Policy: 'Jihadi John' and the Causal Narratives of Radicalisation'
Xander Kirke (Newcastle University) 'Beyond the Comfort Zone: A Plea for More Explicit and Consistent Normative Critique'
Paul Stott (University of Leicester) 'Feminism or Islamism? Critical Terrorism Studies Develops a Blind Spot'
Alice Martini (Universidad Autónoma de Madrid) 'The consequences of the construction of 'terrorism' as a foe and agonistic politics as a possible solution'

Panel Three: Policy Relevance and CST II (Friday, 10 am to 11.45)
Rosalie Clarke (Nottingham Trent University) 'The Long Road Back from Camelot: The Minerva Initiative and the United States 'Quest' for a Lasting/Stable Peace'
Akil Awan (Royal Holloway, University of London) 'Policymaker Engagement and Devising Proportional Responses to the Returnee Foreign Fighter Phenomenon' [Working title]
Chris Baker-Beall (Nottingham Trent University) 'The European Union's 'Fight against Terrorism': The Threat of the 'Returning Foreign Fighter''
Akinyemi Oyawale (University of East Anglia) 'Impact of counterterrorism on the security of publics'
Robert Young (University of Leeds) 'Playing Geopolitics: Scripting the National Self in Military Video Games'

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Panel Four: Political Order, Security and Law (Friday, 1.45 pm to 3.15)
Chi Zhang (University of Leeds) 'Framing the Discourse of Terrorism in China'
Ana Varela Rey (Universitat de Barcelona) 'The persistence of terrorism in democratic societies: The case of ETA in the Basque Country'
Phil Edwards (Manchester Metropolitan University) 'Legalise it! Terrorism as a legal anomaly, law a critical idea'
Rizwan Sabir (Liverpool Hope University) 'Weaponized law' and the impact on research and scholarship'
Gareth Mott (Nottingham Trent University) 'The Hands Behind the Keyboard: A Critical Reflection on Imagery and the Securitisation of Cyberterrorism in the UK'

Panel Five: The Women of the War on Terror (Friday, 3.30pm to 5.00)
Victoria Basham (University of Exeter) 'Narratives of Recovery: Sacrifice, Gender and the Legitimation of War'
Louise Pears (University of Leeds) 'Good Girls, Bad Boys and Terrorists: Audiences, Gender and Narrative Identity in Homeland'
Megan Armstrong (Newcastle University) 'TBC'
Nadya Ali (University of Reading) 'Smells like Teen Spirit: the Young 'Jihadi Brides' of the Islamic State'