IIJ&MEDAC
Mediterranean Security & Rule of Law Course
18-20 June 2019
Valletta, Malta

Agenda

18 JUNE

8:30 – 9:00  Registration & Networking Coffee

9:00 – 9:20  Welcome & Opening Remarks

IIJ Executive Director, Mr. Thomas Wuchte
Deputy Director of MEDAC, Dr. Derek Lutterbeck

9:20 – 10:45  The Challenge of Migration in the Mediterranean Region

The session will provide an overview of the evolving challenges of migration, with a particular focus on the Mediterranean region. The following topics will be covered:

• Current migratory patterns in the Mediterranean region
• The main factors driving migration in the region
• The social, economic and political impact of migration
• The nexus between migration and development
• Efforts to manage migration in the region

Dr. Derek Lutterbeck, MEDAC Deputy Director

10:45 – 11:15  Group Photo followed by Coffee Break

11:15 – 12:45  Mediterranean Multilateralism, Security and the Rule of Law

This session will provide an overview of the main multilateral initiatives in the Mediterranean region, and their contribution to ensuring security and the rule of law in the region.

Dr. Michael Frendo, former Foreign Minister and former Speaker of Parliament of Malta, Vice-President of the Venice Commission (Council of Europe)
12:45 -14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 15:45 Panel Discussion on Migration in the Mediterranean

Moderator: Dr. Derek Lutterbeck, MEDAC

Panelists
Mr. Kahin Ismail, UNHCR Representative to Malta
Ms Rossella Ferrari, EASO, External Dimension Sector
Mr. Giovanni Bressan and Ms Ana Ferreria, IOM, Malta

15:45 – 16:00 Coffee Break

16:00 – 17:45 Key note address by Ambassador Hamid Boukrif, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Algeria

Ambassador Hamid Boukrif, Director General for policy planning at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of the People’s Democratic Republic of Algeria will be sharing a regional perspective on Mediterranean security, including the challenges facing the region, and how Republic of Algeria and other countries are working through relevant multilateral fora and institutions, such as the NATO Mediterranean Dialogue, the EuroMed Partnership to collectively address these security and related challenges.

17:45 – 18:00 Wrap-Up of Day One

MEDAC will summarize the results of the day’s discussion and how these might be incorporated into the plan for the following day.

18:15 Reception at De Robertis, Roof Terrace, Valletta
19 JUNE

08:30 – 10:00  Simulation Exercise: Countering Human Trafficking Across the Mediterranean
Mr. Stefan Szepesi, Founder, Negotiation and Public Service

10:00 – 10:15  Coffee Break

10:15 – 12:30  Continuation of Simulation Exercise
Mr. Stefan Szepesi

12:30 – 13:30  Lunch

13:30–15:00  Human Security: Global and Mediterranean Perspectives
This session will introduce the concept of human security, and how it differs from traditional concepts of security. The concept will be discussed with particular reference to the Mediterranean region. The session will address issues, such as:

- Key human security challenges in the Mediterranean region
- Human security and national security
- Human security, human rights and development in the Mediterranean region

Dr. Monika Wohlfeld, MEDAC Holder of the German Chair in Peace and Conflict Prevention

15:00 – 15:15  Coffee Break

15:15 – 16:45  Discussion with H.E. Dr George Vella, President of Malta

16:45 – 17:00  Wrap-Up of Day Two
MEDAC will summarize the results of the day’s discussion and how these might be incorporated into the plan for the following day.

18: 15  Busses depart

19:00  Boat Tour, departure from Ta' Xbiex

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1Simulation Facilitator, Negotiation & Public Service, the Netherlands
Global Terrorism Threat Environment: Security Briefing

This session will draw from a number of world indices to present a security briefing on the global terrorism threat environment - a ‘State of Security’ baseline upon which to base discussions on Day 3 of the program.

Ms. Allison Curtis, CT Expert, IIJ

The Evolving Terrorist Threat: From FTF to RFTF, Battlefield to Cyber-Caliphate, and Dispersed Inspired/Facilitated Plots

This session will provide a deep dive into current and emerging trends in terrorist activity, focussing on:

- International counterterrorism efforts (hard v soft power, to include military, UN, regional coordination)
- National-level policy (e.g. CVE/PVE strategies; National Action Plans)
- From Caliphate to a more dispersed threat?

Dr. Sajjan M. Gohel, International Security Director of the Asia-Pacific Foundation

Coffee Break

Countering Terrorism within a Rule of Law Context

This session will provide an overview of the measures how regional and international organisations, such as the United Nations, GCTF, OSCE and IIJ, are adopting to combat terrorism within a rule of law framework, and why a rule of law centered approach is crucial to effective counterterrorism.

Mr. Adrian Carbajo, Border Management and Travel Document Security Advisor, IIJ

Lunch

Countering Violent Extremism & Building Resilient Communities

This session will address efforts to prevent and counter violent extremism (P/CVE), including the importance of developing counter narratives tailored to specific communities and building resilient communities. Topics covered will include: addressing the underlying conditions of radicalisation; who are the stakeholders? (governments, private sector, NGOs, civil society); what does a resilient community look like?

Mr. Hanif Qadir, PVE & CVE Expert, CEO of the Active Change Foundation in London.

Mr. Soufiane El Hamdi, Expert on MENA region and Building Resilient Communities, IIJ

2Mr. Qadir is a former foreign fighter himself, he once joined Al Qaeda members in Afghanistan, but was deterred by the crimes he saw being committed against civilians and turned his back on them. Upon his return to the UK, Mr. Qadir vowed to safeguard young men and women from similar experiences, losing their lives and harming their communities. Today, Mr. Qadir is serving as the leading expert in Europe in violent extremism and de-radicalization.
15:30 – 15:45  Coffee Break

15:45 – 16:45  Forecasting Emerging Security Challenges in CT

This session will engage participants in forecasting some emerging security challenges in the region, such as:

• Socio-economic and political trends
• Security and legal implications of emerging technologies
• Surrogate warfare

Mr. Thomas Wuchte, IIJ Executive Director

16:45 – 17:00  Presentation of Certificates

17:00 – 17:30  Closing Remarks

Mr. Thomas Wuchte, IIJ Executive Director

Recommended event to attend:

19:15  World Refugee Day 2019 (event organized by UNHCR) Pjazza San Ġorġ in Valletta. Light refreshments will be offered, followed by an activity, and a screening of short films in collaboration with Valletta Film Festival.