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## **Fighting radicalisation and promoting dialogue at Lisbon Forum**

Strasbourg / Lisbon, 03.12.2015 - In the wake of recent terror attacks that struck Paris, Bamako and Tunis, this year's [Lisbon Forum – How to combat radicalisation and terrorism](#) – is of greater relevance than ever.

From 3-4 December at Lisbon's Ismaili Centre, some 300 government and NGO representatives, educators and legal experts from over 40 countries assess how to counter radicalisation that can lead to terrorism.

Empowering women to prevent radicalisation is a forum highlight. Keynote speaker Dr. [Alaa Murabit](#) – founder of [Voice of Libyan Women](#) – addresses Islam's impact on laws and societal structures involving gender. She had received a standing ovation at a 2015 TEDWomen audience for a talk that The New York Times selected as among the "four most moving" to watch.

The forum is not limited to tackling radical Islam. Former white supremacist [Robert Örell](#) explains community based approaches to prevent radicalisation. He is director of [Exit Sweden](#), an organisation dedicated to helping individuals leave white supremacy groups.

Forum participants will assess the challenge from different vantage points: from which legal actions to take to promoting effective intercultural and interfaith dialogue.

The Lisbon Forum is organised in partnership with the Aga Khan Development Network, the Anna Lindh Foundation and in coordination with an EU-funded initiative carried out by the Council of Europe: the South Programme II. Its purpose is to support strengthened democratic governance through the creation of effective networks between Europe and the countries of the Southern Mediterranean.

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