



As part of the project Local Institutions Against Extremism II (LIAISE 2):

## European conference

# European cities facing radicalisation: communication and counter-narratives

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organised by the European and French Forums for Urban Security and the City of Bordeaux

| 08.30-09.00   | Welcome   |
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| 09.00-09.15   | <ul> <li>Welcome and introduction</li> <li>Marik Fetouh, Deputy Mayor of Bordeaux in charge of equality and citizenship, Bordeaux, France</li> <li>Roger Vicot, President of the French Forum for Urban Security</li> </ul>   |
| 09.15 - 09.45 | <ul> <li>Understanding radicalisation</li> <li>Magnus Ranstorp, Research Director, Center for Asymmetric Threat<br/>Studies (CATS), Swedish Defence University, Sweden</li> </ul>   |
| 09.45-10.15   | Speach by Mr Bernard Cazeneuve, minister of the interior of France  |
| 10.15 - 12.30 | Strategies of European cities: How to communicate about and discuss the sensitive topic of radicalisation?  What communication strategy should be adopted at the local level? How should the issue of radicalisation and its related concepts be addressed when these issues are themselves in debate? How can we address all citizens, without stigmatising any particular group of society? How to ensure that the voices of citizens are taken into account? |

#### Round table of local elected officials:

- > Colombe Brossel, Deputy Mayor of Paris, France (tbc)
- > Marik Fetouh, Deputy Mayor of Bordeaux, France
- > Jordi Jané Guasch, Minister of Home Affairs, Government of Catalonia, Spain
- > Mouloud Haddad, Deputy Mayor of Bagneux, France
- > Christian Kromberg, Deputy Mayor of Essen, Germany (tbc)
- > Andreas Schönström, Deputy Mayor of Malmö, Sweden
- > Leen Verbeek, Vice President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe

> Introduction by Henning Mols, Communication Advisor to the Mayor of Aarhus, Denmark

#### 12.30-14.00 Break

#### 14.00 - 15.30 How can extremist narratives be countered at the local level?

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- > Jonathan Birdwell, Head of Policy and Research, Institute for Strategic Dialogue (ISD), United Kingdom
- > Laurence Comminette, Communication Advisor to the Mayor of Liège, Belgium
- > Asiem El Difraoui, political scientist, co-founder of the Candid Foundation, Berlin, Germany
- > Christiane Nischler, Head of prevention of radicalisation, Bavarian State ministry for work and social affairs, families and integration, Germany
- > Fouad Saanadi, Deputy Secretary-General, Centre for Action and Prevention against Radicalization of Individuals (Capri), Bordeaux, France

### 15.30 - 16.00 Closing speech

> Alain Juppé, Mayor of Bordeaux, France

