**The Prevent duty, ‘extremism’ and ‘radicalisation’**

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Save the date

Dr Reza Gholami will be holding a conference in Birmingham to discuss PREVENT on 14th Feb. Details to follow

UNSPEAKABLE: documentary about the impact of counter-extremism in universities screens in programme COMPETITION: SKIN THICK, TOO TOUGH at RICH MIX, 13th Jan @ 16:00

screens in programme COMPETITION: SKIN THICK, TOO TOUGH (REPEAT) at CURZON SOHO, 17th Jan @ 18:30

Government

**Guidance for mental health services in exercising duties to safeguard people from the risk of radicalisation**

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/guidance-for-mental-health-services-in-exercising-duties-to-safeguard-people-from-the-risk-of-radicalisation/>

**YOU HAVE ACCESSED THE INTRODUCTORY E-LEARNING TRAINING ON PREVENT**

This e-learning on the Prevent Duty has replaced the WRAP DVD and trainer script - for mental health staff (and possible more of the NHS soon): <https://www.elearning.prevent.homeoffice.gov.uk/mentalhealth>

**ACT for Youth: RUN HIDE TELL**

National Counter Terrorism Security Office

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/act-for-youth-run-hide-tell>

Letter

**OPEN LETTER TO OFSTED**

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSemmhWWhppfosZZ2RsOs5qFpyqUsIU65nm5rOOyXaD8uipIog/viewform>

Reports and Papers

**Born Radicals? Prevent, positivism and 'race-thinking'**

Katy Sian,

<https://www.nature.com/articles/s41599-017-0009-0>

**Draft ethical guidelines for working with extremism, violent extremism and terrorism**

Zainab Al-Attar, Jackie Bates-Gaston, Christopher Dean and Monica Lloyd

<http://www.bps.org.uk/news-and-policy/draft-ethical-guidelines-working-extremism-violent-extremism-and-terrorism>

**Enough is Enough - New Perspectives on Youth Radicalisation**

Oasis Foundation

<https://oasis.foundation/news/national-response-youth-radicalisation-epidemic-fails-address-root-causes-says-new-report>

Book

**Countering Extremism in British Schools? The Truth about the Birmingham Trojan Horse Affair**

John Holmwood & Therese O'Toole

<https://policypress.co.uk/countering-extremism-in-british-schools>

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**PREVENT POLEMICS**

Max Weedon

<https://discoversociety.org/2017/10/31/prevent-polemics/>

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**Mother of 7/7 victim: ‘Miriam was the greatest gift we had’**

Francine Wolfisz

<http://jewishnews.timesofisrael.com/mother-of-77-victim-miriam-was-the-greatest-gift-we-had/>

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**Government must increase funding to combat attack threat, terror police chief warns**

Lizzie Dearden

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/crime/terrorism-uk-funding-police-chief-urges-government-increase-met-isis-attacks-amber-rudd-home-office-a8034371.html?amp>

**Radicalisation and extremism at Bristol's Merchants’ Academy 'not dealt with' as Oftsed rates school inadequate**

Michael Young

<http://www.bristolpost.co.uk/news/bristol-news/radicalisation-extremism-bristols-merchants-academy-720004>

**Wolverhampton nurses to get terror training**

<https://www.expressandstar.com/news/local-hubs/wolverhampton/2017/11/02/wolverhampton-nurses-to-get-terror-training/>

**Corbyn attends Islamophobia event, as hosts deny 'extremism' claims**

Amandla Thomas-Johnson

<http://www.middleeasteye.net/news/corbyn-attends-launch-islamophobia-month-hosts-defend-extremism-allegation-929469548>

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**Far-right extremists ‘milking’ UK’s political correctness on Islamists – former govt adviser**

<https://newsline.com/far-right-extremists-milking-uks-political-correctness-on-islamists-former-govt-adviser/>

**Former reviewer of anti-terror laws co-owns firm with ex-MI6 chief**

Harry Davies

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2015/nov/03/former-reviewer-of-anti-terror-laws-co-owns-consultancy-with-ex-mi6-chief>

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**UK education system must be protected from religious radicalisation**

Amir Trivedi

<http://www.sundayguardianlive.com/opinion/11507-uk-education-system-must-be-protected-religious-radicalisation>

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**'I only had babies to raise them as killers', says British ex-wife of ISIS chief as she reveals descent into 'hardcore' jihad**

Christopher Bucktin

<http://www.mirror.co.uk/news/world-news/i-only-babies-raise-killers-11473141>

**Home-schooling loophole ‘sends children into hands of extremists’, Ofsted chief warns**

Camilla Turner

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/education/2017/11/05/home-schooling-loophole-sends-children-hands-extremists-ofsted/amp/>

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**Are ISIS-supporting parents indoctrinating their children through homeschooling?**

<https://www.rt.com/uk/408895-homeschool-terrorism-radicalization-isis/>

**British wife of senior American Isil fighter says racism in UK radicalised her**

Josie Ensor

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2017/11/06/british-wife-senior-american-isil-fighter-says-racism-uk-radicalised/>

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Michael Holden

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-britain-security-mentalhealth/the-battle-for-minds-britain-expands-project-on-mental-health-in-terrorism-idUSKBN1D7186?il=0>

**Former British Isis jihadi claims racism while growing up in London fuelled her radicalisation**

Lizzie Dearden

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/isis-british-supporter-jihadi-racism-london-growing-up-radicalisation-tania-georgelas-choudhury-a8042426.html>

**Met chief warns police cuts will make it harder to tackle violent crime**

Alan Travis

<https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2017/nov/07/met-chief-cressida-dick-warns-police-cuts-harder-tackle-violent-crime-extremism>

**Extremist content online: What would you take down?**

Alexander J Martin

<http://news.sky.com/story/govts-strategy-to-remove-online-extremist-content-will-backfire-11117282>

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**Former Isis bride from London explains why she married senior jihadi: Racism fuelled my radicalisation**

PATRICK GRAFTON-GREEN

<https://www.standard.co.uk/news/london/london-woman-who-married-senior-isis-jihadi-explains-her-life-choices-a3677766.html>

**Former IS bride radicalised after experiencing racism in London**

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/video/news/video-1567692/Former-bride-radicalised-experiencing-racism-London.html>

**Results of radicalisation can be devastating, says police chief**

<http://www.hillingdontimes.co.uk/news/15648348.Spotting_early_signs_of_extremism___workshop_in_Northolt_advises_families/>

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Alan Travis

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**Boy aged nine pledged support for ISIS in London school classroom after watching execution videos online**

Martin Bentham

<https://www.standard.co.uk/news/london/schoolboy-aged-nine-pledged-support-to-isis-in-classroom-a3686281.html>

**‘Those who denounce Prevent as Islamophobic are themselves dangerous’**

Steve Lancashire

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-views/those-who-denounce-prevent-islamophobic-are-themselves-dangerous>

**Prevent scheme: Anti-terror referrals for 2,000 children**

Dominic Casciani

<http://www.bbc.com/news/uk-41927937>

**More than 2,000 children referred to Government's counter-terror programme in a year - including 500 girls**

Kate McCann

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2017/11/09/2000-children-referred-governments-counter-terror-programme/>

**Nearly 8,000 Prevent referrals show growing public trust**

Adam Button

<http://www.policeprofessional.com/news.aspx?id=30813>

**Security Minister statement on today's publication of Prevent and Channel data**

HO News Team

<https://homeofficemedia.blog.gov.uk/tag/counter-radicalisation/>

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**JUNIOR JIHADIS RISE Over 2,000 children aged 15 and under were flagged to Government as potential extremists**

Ben Lazarus

<https://www.thesun.co.uk/news/4882658/children-teens-flagged-potential-extremists-isis/>

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<https://www.policeoracle.com/news/terrorism_and_allied_matters/2017/Nov/09/thousands-of-teenagers-referred-to-anti-radicalisation-scheme_96244.html>

**Boy, 9, sent to anti‑terror scheme after voicing Isis support in class**

Richard Ford

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**Behind the vide**

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Matilda Battersby

<https://inews.co.uk/essentials/news/education/behind-project-designed-stop-pupils-becoming-terrorists/>

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Miqdaad Versi

<https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2017/nov/10/prevent-strategy-statistics-independent-review-home-office-muslims>

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**9-year-old British boy ‘pledged support for Daesh after watching terror videos’**

OLIVIA CUTHBERT

<http://www.arabnews.com/node/1190916/world>

**Thousands referred to UK Prevent Strategy over ‘Islamist extremism’ fears**

SOFREP

<https://sofrep.com/93778/thousands-referred-uk-prevent-strategy-islamist-extremism-fears/>

**North East revealed as having highest number of youngsters with far-right sympathies**

Hannah Graham

<http://www.chroniclelive.co.uk/news/north-east-news/north-east-revealed-having-highest-13884875>

**Thousands of people in London referred to Prevent counter-extremism scheme**

Catrina Demony

<http://www.getwestlondon.co.uk/news/thousands-people-london-referred-prevent-13881315>

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**What Prevent referral figures don’t say: The impact on Muslim young people**

Sadek Hamid

<http://www.middleeasteye.net/columns/what-prevent-referral-figures-don-t-saythe-impact-muslim-young-people-1836550075>

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5Pillars

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Jack Sommers

<http://www.huffingtonpost.co.uk/entry/prevent-inquiry-islamophobia_uk_5a09e39de4b0bc648a0cdf58>

**Let’s be clear: Muslims are neither good nor bad. We’re just human**

Farah Elahi

<https://amp.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2017/nov/14/muslims-neither-good-nor-bad-human-islamophobia-britain>

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Heather Bellamy

<http://www.crossrhythms.co.uk/articles/life/Preventing_Radicalisation_And_Extremism/61542/p1/>

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Ian Weinfass

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Lizzie Dearden

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/crime/cardiff-terror-attack-plot-schoolboy-isis-allegiance-declare-17-year-old-justin-bieber-concert-a8056986.html>

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**Radicalisation is not just a terrorist tactic – street gangs do it every day**

Robert Hesketh

<https://theconversation.com/radicalisation-is-not-just-a-terrorist-tactic-street-gangs-do-it-every-day-86714?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Latest%20from%20The%20Conversation%20for%20November%2017%202017%20-%2088157367&utm_content=Latest%20from%20The%20Conversation%20for%20November%2017%202017%20-%2088157367+CID_f0f305f9db61f4cfb3263d03f3f105be&utm_source=campaign_monitor_uk&utm_term=Radicalisation%20is%20not%20just%20a%20terrorist%20tactic%20%20street%20gangs%20do%20it%20every%20day>

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Nico Hines

<https://www.thedailybeast.com/terrorists-family-asks-why-wont-britain-stop-hub-of-white-jihadis-around-one-suburban-town>

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**JIHADI JAILS Ministers step up war on extremist prisoners by creating two new ‘jihadi wings’ for hate-filled lags**

Steve Hawkes

<https://www.thesun.co.uk/news/4958365/ministers-step-up-war-on-extremist-prisoners-by-creating-two-new-jihadi-wings-for-hate-filled-lags/>

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**UNDERSTANDING PREVENT REFERRALS: YOUNG PEOPLE, ISLAMISM AND EDUCATION**

Richard McNeil-Willson

<https://thenorwichradical.com/2017/11/21/understanding-prevent-referrals-young-people-islamism-and-education/>

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**Toxic PREVENT is turning young girls into suspects**

CAGE

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**How can the courts protect children from extremism?**

Natasha Kirk

<http://www.familylaw.co.uk/news_and_comment/how-can-the-courts-protect-children-from-extremismv>

**Searching for the silver bullet: towards a more effective Security Union**

Julian King

<https://www.openaccessgovernment.org/searching-silver-bullet-towards-effective-security-union/40056/>

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Kenneth Primrose

<https://www.tes.com/news/tes-magazine/tes-magazine/empathy-and-experience-are-enemies-extremism>

**'AN EXPLOSIVE MIX' Lee Rigby’s killer moved to ‘jail within a jail’ in bid to stop him radicalising inmates — and lags compare it to living in a submarine**

Tom Wells

<https://www.thesun.co.uk/news/4987623/lee-rigbys-killer-high-security-radicalisation/>

**The great ‘Trojan Horse’ hoax**

Sadie Robinson

<https://socialistworker.co.uk/art/45730/The+great+Trojan+Horse+hoax>

**REVEALED: UK universities accused of closing down free speech on Palestine**

Areeb Ullah

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**End of segregation in schools could increase risk of radicalisation, Birmingham council chief warns**

Camilla Turner

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/education/2017/11/24/end-segregation-schools-could-increase-risk-radicalisation-birmingham/>

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Tom Seaward

<http://www.swindonadvertiser.co.uk/NEWS/15683302.8_Swindon_children_put_on_terror_watch_list/>

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Waqar Ahmed

<http://www.huffingtonpost.co.uk/entry/prevent-referrals-the-story-beyond-the-headlines_uk_5a157af8e4b0f401dfa7ec29>

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5Pillars

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Aisha Gani

<https://www.buzzfeed.com/amphtml/aishagani/teachers-and-academics-hijab-ofsted>

**Teen terror plot: Radicalisation in Wales 'not solved'**

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-wales-south-east-wales-42153359>

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**Why liberals need to get over their fetish for how young Muslim girls choose to dress**

Rob Faure Walker

<http://robfaurewalker.blogspot.co.uk/2017/11/why-liberals-need-to-get-over-their.html>

**Christian group says Islamic radicalisation has little to do with religion**

Tola Mbakwe

<https://www.premier.org.uk/News/UK/Christian-group-says-Islamic-radicalisation-has-little-to-do-with-religion>

**Religion is not main cause of Islamist terrorism, claims report**

Harry Farley

<https://www.christiantoday.com/article/religion-is-not-main-cause-of-islamist-terrorism-claims-report/119992.htm>

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Simon Hooper

<http://www.middleeasteye.net/news/uk-prison-staff-trained-identify-extremists-lacked-islamic-knowledge-1557160897>