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Jobs

**The University of Warwick**

Post-doctoral Researchers

The University of Warwick is searching for two post-doctoral researchers to work on the European Research Council funded project 'Neoliberal Terror: The Radicalisation of Social Policy in Europe'. We seek one qualitative researcher for four years employment, and one quantitative researcher for four years employment. The qualitative post (<https://atsv7.wcn.co.uk/search_engine/jobs.cgi?owner=5062452&ownertype=fair&jcode=1832529&vt_template=1457&adminview=1>) is centred around a large discourse analysis of European Countering Violent Extremism measures and policies. The quantitative post is centred around building an index of CVE rollout across European states, then performing a regression analysis to test the association with neoliberal social and economic policies (<https://atsv7.wcn.co.uk/search_engine/jobs.cgi?owner=5062452&ownertype=fair&jcode=1832527&vt_template=1457&adminview=1>). Each post is fixed for four years - please ignore the mistake in the qualitative advert which says otherwise. All essential and desirable criteria, as well as further information, can be found on the job adverts.

Calling Research Interns

**Prevent Watch**

Prevent Watch are looking for help in compiling their own review of Prevent. Please get in touch via the following link if you can help. And, share with others who may want to gain some excellent experience doing very important work.

<https://www.preventwatch.org/jobs/>

Save the date

**TROJAN HORSE PLAY**

Various dates around the country Oct-Nov

<http://lungtheatre.co.uk/trojan-horse/>

(tickets available via listed theatres)

**Undercover Policing and Trade Unions: The Political and the Personal**

16th Nov, London

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/undercover-policing-and-trade-unions-the-political-and-the-personal-tickets-64167284074>

Foreign Press

**RCMP may struggle to recreate the success of community groups in stopping extremism**

Dylan Robertson

*Rashad Ali describes helping design U.K. Channel interventions and also acting as a Channel mentor. He is also quoted saying Channel interventions are "effective":*

<https://calgaryherald.com/news/national/rcmp-may-struggle-to-recreate-the-success-of-community-groups-in-stopping-extremism>

Government

**EU launches new counter-terrorism database**

Alexandra Brzozowski

<https://www.euractiv.com/section/justice-home-affairs/news/eu-launches-new-counter-terrorism-database/>

**NEIL BASU LEADS PREVENT CONVERSATION AT ICT SUMMIT**

<https://www.counterterrorism.police.uk/neil-basu-leads-prevent-conversation-at-ict-summit/>

**Security Exports Strategy**

<https://www.professionalsecurity.co.uk/news/government/exports-strategy/>

**NEIL BASU DISCUSSES GROWTH OF RIGHT WING TERRORISM**

<https://www.counterterrorism.police.uk/neil-basu-discusses-growth-of-right-wing-terrorism/>

**Commission releases first round of evidence of extremism**

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/commission-releases-first-round-of-evidence-of-extremism>

Letter

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**The independent reviewer of the government’s Prevent anti-radicalisation**

Alex Carlile

<https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2019/sep/17/prevent-review-remit-is-not-superficial>

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**CTS and normativity: the essentials of preemptive counter-terrorism interventions**

Tom Pettinger

<https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/17539153.2019.1658412>

**A Pacifist Approach to Countering Extremism**

Kieran Ford

<https://www.tandfonline.com/eprint/J8EYW5BKMX5EYHZ2IVND/full?target=10.1080/13600826.2019.1668356>

**The ethics of researching ‘terrorism’ and political violence: a sociological approach**

Tom Mills, Narzanin Massoumi &David Miller

<https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/21582041.2019.1660399?fbclid=IwAR3-kY0bo4SnXvGmFCIbmBHCvDr7vmV91W0K1T5XpEKQnZkv3zWkPvwau7E>

**Leaving the War on Terror: A Progressive Alternative to Counter-Terrorism Policy**

Ruth Blakeley, Ben Hayes, Nisha Kapoor, Arun Kundnani, Narzanin Massoumi, David Miller, Tom Mills, Rizwaan Sabir, Katy Sian, Waqas Tufail

<https://www.tni.org/en/publication/leaving-the-war-on-terror>

**Two Warwick researchers recognised as outstanding with European Research Council grants**

Warwick University

<https://warwick.ac.uk/newsandevents/pressreleases/two_warwick_researchers_recognised_as_outstanding_with_european_research_council_grants1?utm_source=miragenews&utm_medium=miragenews&utm_campaign=news>

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Neil Ferguson & James W. McAuley

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Rob Evans

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Nazia Parveen

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Charlotte Hadfield

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Stephen Patterson

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Jasmine Andersson

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Nesrine Malik

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Varsha Chavan

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Asim Qureshi

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Asim Qureshi

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Zamira Rahim

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Karen Crowder

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Jamie Grierson

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Laura Tiernan

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Simon Kuper

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Chris Dyer

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Daniel Kirkpatrick & Recep Onursal

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ALESSANDRA SCOTTO DI SANTOLO

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Andy Flannagan

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Ben Leo

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Susannah Alexander

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Milly Vincent

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Samera

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5 Pillars

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Basit Mahmood

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Nosheen Iqbal

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Rob Faure Walker

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Jamie Grierson

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Isobel Lewis

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Female First

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Jamie Grierson

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Ian Heath

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Carl Greenwood

<https://www.thesun.co.uk/tvandshowbiz/9948866/hollyoaks-kieron-richardson-refused-to-take-on-the-far-right-radicalisation-plot-at-first-fearing-attacks/>

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Liam Rudden

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Fiyaz Mughal

<https://www.independent.co.uk/voices/islamic-state-shamima-begum-syria-terrorism-treason-a9108766.html>

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Jacob Jarvis

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Shravan Kumar reddy Apparigani

<https://heraldpublicist.com/kieron-richardson-was-too-scared-to-do-hollyoaks-radicalisation-storyline-with-ste-hay-and-initially-turned-it-down/>

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Joe Nicholson

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Lucy Leeson

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Kitty Donaldson

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The Economist

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Lizzie Dearden

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Diane King

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Duncan Lindsay

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Kit Klarenberg

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Paul Britton

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Lucy Leeson

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Lauren Ballinger

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Lizzie Dearden

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Dina Yazdani & Tahir Abbas

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Lizzie Dearden

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Will Baldet

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Lizzie Dearden

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Rebecca Perring

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Ian Acheson

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ITV

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