



***Progressive solutions to counter violent extremism***

**Tuesday, 21 April 2015**

**14:30 - 18:00**

**European Parliament**

**60, rue Wiertz - 1047 Brussels**

**Altiero Spinelli Building (ASP) - Room A3G-3**

**INTRODUCTION**

14:30 – 14:40

**GIANNI PITTELLA, S&D GROUP PRESIDENT**

**PANEL ONE:**

**THE TOOLS OF DE-RADICALISATION:**

*Discrediting the ideologies, politics and economic grievances exploited by terrorists*

**CHAIR:**

**TANJA FAJON, S&D GROUP VICE-PRESIDENT**

14:40 – 14:45

Introduction by the chair

14:45 – 15:00

**The aftermath of Paris, Copenhagen and Tunis: a European progressive response**

EU Special Representative for Human Rights Stavros Lambrinidis

15:00 – 15:15

**European foreign fighters: their motives, the implications and the role played by social media**

Professor Peter R. Neumann, director of the International Centre for the Study of Radicalisation and professor of security studies, Department of War Studies, King's College, London

15:15 – 15:25

**Giving a voice to the families of victims**

Latifa Ibn Ziaten, founder and president of the association Imad-Ibn - Ziaten for Youth and Peace.

15:25 – 15:30

**A testimony from a family with a child currently in Syria**

Hayat Khyare

15:30 – 15:45

*Question and answer session with the audience, moderated by Hadja Lahbib, with a group of young Belgians from the Brussels*

*neighbourhoods of Schaerbeek, Molenbeek, Berchem-Sainte-Agathe and Saint-Josse-ten-Noode*

- 15:45 – 16:00                    **Targeted interventions and de-radicalisation – lessons learned from Denmark**  
Professor Preben Bertelsen, Department of psychology and behavioural science, Aarhus University
- 16:00 – 16.10                    **A testimony from the Brussels imam and a former member of the Islamic Salvation Front (FIS)**  
Hocine Ben Abderrahmane, historian and imam at the Brussels El Azhar mosque
- 16:10 – 16:25                    *Question and answer session with the audience.*
- PANEL TWO:**                    **THE TOOLS OF INTEGRATION & EDUCATION**  
*Restitching the fabric of European society*
- CHAIR:**                            **JÖRG LEICHTFRIED, S&D GROUP VICE-PRESIDENT**
- 16:25 – 16:30                    Introduction by the chair
- Projection of the trailer for the documentary*  
*“Patience, Patience t’iras au paradis”*
- 16:30 – 16:45                    **Culture and media as a tool for integration**  
Hadja Lahbib, RTBF news anchor and author of the documentary  
*“Patience, Patience t’iras au paradis”*  
Tata Milouda, Loredana Marchi and Rahma Sebtaoui, participants from the documentary
- Projection of two short films by Shanaz network*  
*“A Mother’s Thoughts On The Crisis In Syria”*  
*“Helping Syria From Home - Making A Real Difference”*
- Engaging women in the effort to prevent recruitment and support for terrorism**
- 16:45 – 16:55                    Shiria Khatun, chair of the Shanaz network, UK  
16:55 – 17:05                    Dr Malika Hamidi, director of the European Muslim Network
- 17:05 – 17:15                    **Integration and religious diversity as a tool to strengthen Europe’s social fabric: lessons from Canada**  
Professor Eugenia Relaño Pastor, senior lecturer on Islam in European Society, Complutense University, Madrid
- 17:15 -17:30                    *Question and answer session with the audience.*
- Empowerment and winning community trust**
- 17:30 – 17:40                    Hans Bonte, mayor of Vilvoorde  
17:40 – 17:45                    Afzal Khan MEP, Manchester’s youngest, and first Asian, Muslim Lord Mayor in 2005
- 17:45 – 18:00                    *Question and answer session with the audience.*
- CONCLUSION:**                    **BIRGIT SIPPEL, S&D CO-ORDINATOR IN THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT’S CIVIL LIBERTIES COMMITTEE**