

Countering Violent Extremism and its Use in Social Media

National Seminar on Preventing Violent Extremism

Time: November 19th 2015 at 10.00-15.30

Location: The House of Nobility (Ritarihuone), Ritarikatu 1, Helsinki

Organizers: Ministry of the Interior, Finland

Embassy of Canada to Finland

Programme

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| 10.00 | Welcome Words Director General Kauko Aaltomaa, Ministry of the Interior, Police Department |
| 10.15 | Opening Remarks Ms Andrée N. Cooligan, Ambassador of Canada to Finland |
| 10.40 | Social Pedagogy and Inclusive Adoption of Mobile and Digital Media to Combat Online Hate: Case Studies from the Canadian SOMEONE (Social Media Education Every Day) initiative Mr Vivek Venkatesh, Associate Professor, Concordia University, Montreal, Canada |
| 11.15 | Online Hate as Everyday Reality. Reflections on Identity and Ideologies among the Youth Postdoctoral researcher Matti Näsi, Ph.D, Researcher, University of Helsinki |
| 11.45 | Panel discussion/ Comments Mr Rein Raud, Author/Professor, University of Helsinki |

13.00 Lunch break

14.00 Online Interventions: Engaging with extremists through peer-to-peer messaging on social

media

Mr Ross Frenett, Founding Director of Moonshot CVE, United Kingdom

14.45 Community-Led Initiatives to Counter Religious Extremism

Mr Matthew Wood, Analyst, Amcham Finland

Mr Mahdi Abdile, Finn Church Aid, Brussels

15.30 Closing words

