

## HELP High level Conference 'COUNTERING CROSS-BORDER CRIME: HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS'

### SPEAKERS

*(In order of appearance)*



#### **Anita VAN DE KAR-BACHELET**

Anita van de Kar is Secretary to the Committee of Experts on the Operation of European Convention on Co-operation in Criminal Matters (PC-OC) since 2011. She has been working for the Council of Europe since 1992 and has been a secretary also to several other intergovernmental committees which elaborated policies and standards in the field of penal and penitentiary law, probation, crime prevention, counter-terrorism, police and prosecutors.

She has represented the Council of Europe as a speaker at many international meetings, including meetings organised by the EU and the UNODC.

Born in Haarlem (the Netherlands), she obtained a Master's Degree in Romanic Philology (Liège, Belgium 1976-1981) and in Law (Nijmegen, Netherlands 1986-1990) with a post-graduate degree in the University of Poitiers, France where she worked as an associate professor and researcher (1989-1991).



#### **Peter CSONKA**

Specialised in international and European criminal law, Peter Csonka started his career as a prosecutor before joining the Council of Europe and later the International Monetary Fund. He now works for the European Commission as the Head of General Criminal Law in DG Justice. His main achievements include the setting up of the European Public Prosecutor's Office (EPPO). Peter Csonka

is a visiting professor at the "Europa Institute" in Saarbrücken.



## Eva PASTRANA

Eva Pastrana is responsible for the HELP Programme (Human Rights Education for Legal Professionals) of the Council of Europe since 2015. HELP is the CoE's educational platform on human rights for judges, prosecutors and lawyers. In July 2021 she was appointed CoE Head of Justice and Human Rights Training Division.

She is a Spanish lawyer with 2 Masters' degrees, on human rights and development cooperation, with more than 25 years of professional experience, working for international organisations (EU, UN), and bilateral development agencies (Spanish Cooperation Agency AECID) as well as NGOs in different geographical areas and both on cooperation and monitoring/policy work: Georgia, Maghreb/Middle East, Philippines and Nicaragua.

Previously, she worked for the EU as the Human Rights Attaché to the EU Delegation in Georgia (2009-2015) and the Security Reform/Justice Attaché to the EU Delegation to the Philippines (2004-2009). Apart from cooperation/monitoring work in various areas of justice, human rights, security (border management, anti-money laundering) and conflict, she was negotiator of the justice/human rights chapters of partnership (Philippines) and trade and visa liberalisation agreements (Georgia) concluded by the EU. In 2013 she became the main policy/political advisor for the EU Representative on Constitutional, Legal Issues and Human Rights to Georgia, former CoE Commissioner for Human Rights Thomas Hammarberg.

Before, Eva worked 5 years in Nicaragua, including for the Spanish Agency for Development Cooperation and the High Council of Judiciary and the EU on advancing the national reforms on justice and education respectively, and 1 year in West Bank/Gaza on cooperation/political reporting. She has also substantive work experience with Spanish NGOs working in Maghreb and Middle East countries.



## Eva MASSA ARRANZ

Eva Massa Arranz is a lawyer and Project Coordinator at the Council of Europe since 2019, responsible for the EU-CoE project '*HELP Radicalisation prevention, Judicial response to terrorism and International cooperation in criminal matters*'.

Qualified as a lawyer in Spain and as a solicitor in Ireland, she holds a Bachelor's Degree in Law and a M.A. (DCU) in International Relations. Eva previously worked at the Law Society of Ireland for 16 years. She was the EU & International Affairs Committee Executive, representing the Irish legal profession at international organisations (CCBE, CoE, ABA, IBA), analysing international developments, managing EU projects and multinational events.

As Course Manager in the Education Department, she was responsible for the design, delivery and evaluation of initial and continuous training for Irish solicitors.

Eva has been responsible for professional development mainly in the areas of public international law, international human rights, legal skills, international criminal law and training of trainers. She has worked with professional institutions, universities and other international organisations.

## Ms Vera PAVINSKA

Ms Vera Pavinska, is Head of Training and Research Unit a.i. at CEPOL, The European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Training. The Unit is in charge of the training development, design and delivery for EU law enforcement officials on the aspects vital to the internal security of the European Union in full compliance with the fundamental rights.

Previously Ms Pavinska led the development and the implementation of the EU Strategic Training Needs Assessment and managed the external relations at CEPOL.

Before joining The European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Training, she served for the International Cooperation Department of the State Police of Latvia, where she was responsible for all the outgoing mutual legal assistance requests under the jurisdiction of the State Police of Latvia, as well acting as the Eurojust national contact point.

She has jurist qualification and holds MA degree in Law from the Police Academy of Latvia, as well has 19 years of experience gained on national and EU level within the internal security framework.



## Hilde VANDEVOORDE

Mrs **Hilde Vandevoorde** was appointed Eurojust National Member for *Belgium* in December 2017 and is the Chair of College Counter-Terrorism Team since September 2019.

She has dedicated her career to the fight against organised crime and terrorism. After working as a defence lawyer, she became a prosecutor in Brussels, specialised in organised crime and terrorism cases. In 2000, Mrs Vandevoorde was appointed national magistrate and in 2002 she joined the Federal Prosecutor's Office, coordinating organised crime and terrorism cases at national and international level. She served as Head of the Special Missions Unit in charge of special investigation techniques, undercover investigations and Covered Human Intelligence Sources ('CHIS'/informants). During that time, she was responsible for the witness protection program, as well as for the review of the federal judicial Police.



## Nadya RADKOVSKA

Ms Nadya Radkovska has been working at the General Directorate Execution of Sentences in Bulgaria since 2004. In the course of the past years, she has held various positions including as expert in the Probation Department and, since 2020 she is Head of the Department for International Cooperation and Training of Staff. Since 2016 she is elected member of the Council for Penological Co-operation (PC-CP) and since the beginning of 2020 she is PC-CP Vice Chair.

As elected member of the PC-CP she was involved in drafting various international standards and recommendations, including Recommendation CM/Rec(2017)3 of the Committee of Ministers to member States on the European Rules on community sanctions and measures, Recommendation CM/Rec(2018)8 of the Committee of Ministers to member States concerning restorative justice in criminal matters, the Council of Europe Guidelines and Handbook for prison and probation services regarding radicalisation and violent extremism, the Council of Europe Guidelines regarding recruitment, selection, training and development of prison and probation staff, Recommendation CM/Rec (2018)5 concerning children with imprisoned parents and the revision of the European Prison Rules.

She is consultant in a number of projects carried out by the Council of Europe in Armenia, Ukraine, Morocco, Tunisia and other MENA countries and the Western Balkans. In June 2020 she was appointed by the European Commission as Radicalisation Awareness Network (RAN) Prisons Working Group Leader.

## **Jelena JOLIC**

Deputy Head of the Counter-Terrorism Division, Council of Europe.

Ms Jolic joined the Council of Europe in 2015 as a Policy Advisor on economic crime matters, including corruption, money laundering/terrorist financing and tax evasion. After five years in this field she joined the Counter-Terrorism Division where she serves as a Co-Secretary of the Committee on Counter-Terrorism and the Secretary of the Consultation of Parties to the Council of Europe Convention on the Prevention of Terrorism and its Additional Protocol. Prior to joining CoE, Ms Jolic worked for more than six years for the U.S. Department of Justice, supporting the efforts of U.S federal prosecutors in the Western Balkans. She holds a law degree and a Master's degree in Criminal Justice.



## **Magnus RANSTORP**

Dr Magnus Ranstorp has been researching counterterrorism and CVE issues for almost thirty years. Previously he developed the world-renowned Centre for the Study of Terrorism & Political Violence at the University of St Andrews, which was founded in the mid-1990s. Dr Ranstorp was also the first author to seriously map out the Lebanese Hizbollah movement and its connection to international terrorism and relationship with Iran and Syria. Before and after 9/11 he was consultant for CNN on terrorism issues. He was also invited to testify in the 9/11 Commission in its First Hearing in 2003.

He was appointed a member of the original European Commission Expert Group on Violent Radicalisation (established 2006) and the subsequent European Network of Experts on Radicalisation (ENER).

Currently Dr Ranstorp is Research Director at the Centre for Asymmetric Threat Studies at the Swedish Defense University & Special Adviser of the EU Radicalization Awareness Network (RAN).

RAN is a practitioner-led network of 6,000 practitioners working on CVE issues across the EU. Dr Ranstorp helped the process of establishing RAN in September 2011 and has been an instrumental operational part of it since then.

Dr Ranstorp has worked extensively on the issue of Foreign Terrorist Fighters and his most recent publication on Swedish Foreign Fighters is based on a dataset of 267 FTFs out of 300 Swedish FTFs, data obtained from the Swedish Security Service. In 2017 he also co-authored EU RAN Manual on Responding to Returning FTFs and their Families. In 2018 he published an extensive report on salafism and salafi-jihadism in Sweden. In 2020 he published an extensive study on the Far Right in Sweden focusing on the Nordic Resistance Movement (NMR) and the Alt-Right dimensions in Sweden.

Dr Ranstorp also lead the Copenhagen Municipality Expert Group that developed the Anti-radicalization Action Plan in 2015. He also advises Stockholm City on CVE and the Swedish National CVE coordinator.

### **Steffen SAIGUSA NIELSEN**

Steffen Saigusa Nielsen has been working with multiagency solutions in crime prevention since the 1990's. Among many things he is one of the creators of the Aarhus-model, a method for preventing radicalization and violent extremism in a collaboration between the police, municipal authorities and local communities. He is also developing and running programs for exit from organized crime and is chairman of the Youth Crime Council in The East Jutland Police District, advising the courts on sentencing serious youth crime offenders. Internationally he has been a member of several EU-RAN working groups and a contributor in The Strong Cities Network. Steffen works for the City of Aarhus, Department of Social Services, as an in-house consultant but is currently on loan to The East Jutland Police, serving as an advisor."



### **Willem VAN DER BRUGGE**

Willem van der Brugge started his career in 1976 ago as a nursing officer - and some years later as a unit manager – in a psychiatric hospital in the province of North Holland (the Netherlands). In 1989 he became a specialized probation worker for the Addiction and Probation Service in the North of Holland and established several drug-free units in prisons to work with addicted prisoners.

In 2001 he switched jobs from local policy advisor to national policy advisor at the umbrella organisation of Addiction and Probation Trusts (SVG), where he dealt with various probation matters (Development of the Probation Registration System, Implementation of What Works, Redesign of the Dutch Offender Supervision) but also with financial issues regarding Planning and Control. For four years he was responsible for the operational and financial management of the SVG.

In 2013 he was appointed Secretary General of the Confederation of European Probation. Willem has a Master's degree in Public Management and Governance.



## Vivian GEIRAN

Vivian is an Adjunct Assistant Professor (in the School of Social Work & Social Policy) at Trinity College, Dublin and a current member, as well as a past-President (2015-2017) of the (CoE) Council for Penological Co-operation (PC-CP). He represents Ireland on the International Penal and Penitentiary Foundation (IPPF), is a member of the Sentencing Guidelines and Information Committee of the Irish Judicial Council, Chairman of the Irish Association of Social Workers and a Board member of the Ana Liffey Drug Project. He was Director of the Irish Probation Service for seven years to the end of 2019. Vivian is a registered social worker, with master's degrees in social work (UCD) and social studies (TCD), as well as a diploma in leadership and management (ILM). He is co-author, with Dr. Shane McCarthy, of the book *Probation and Parole in Ireland: Law and Practice*, Dublin: Clarus Press (2021).

## Ángel LÓPEZ MURIEL

Mr. Angel Vicente López Muriel is a civil servant with an experience of thirty-six years in the Spanish Penitentiary Institution. He has been working in terrorism and high-risk prisoner wings. Along more than ten years, he was officers' chief in prison with high-risk prisoner wings. Deputy Director in the prison of Soto el Real for 5 years, where all the terrorist offenders are incarcerated in their first entry. Security Head of this prison and responsible for the dynamic security. Guest lecturer on organised crime and dynamic security, as well as trainer in the Training Center of the SGIIPP. Former co-chair of the RAN (Radicalisation Awareness Network) from the Prison and Probation group collaborating in the manual of best practices to tackle radicalisation in prison and moderator of the meetings on radicalisation topics. Short term expert in Croatia and Tunisia. has been Resident twinning advisor in Turkey within the project "Better management of Terror and dangerous inmates and prevention of radicalization in prisons". Collaborator with UNODC on radicalisation in prisons producing a manual on management of high-risk prisoners. Currently Security Advisor at the Headquarters of the Penitentiary secretariat.



## Ana SALINAS DE FRÍAS

Ana Salinas de Frías is a professor of Public International Law and International Relations at the University of Málaga. She has served as legal advisor for the Council of Europe Division of Public International Law (DLAPIL). She has advised a number of foreign governments on compliance of domestic legislation with international human rights standards, in particular with regard to countering terrorism and currently works as independent legal expert for a number of CoE monitoring bodies (CDCP; CDCT; MEDICRIME; PC-OC; CDDH) and EU Committees. Her main areas of research are: the law of treaties; human rights; refugee, asylum

and migration law; diplomatic protection; security, IHL and terrorism; women and International Law. She's very much involved in EU training programmes for judges, public prosecutors and prison governors all over Europe on terrorism and radicalisation issues. She takes also active part in training for diplomats in Spain and also in different Arab countries.

Ana Salinas is currently serving as Ad Hoc Judge at the European Court of Human Rights on behalf of Spain. She is also member of the Board of the European Society of International Law and Deputy President of the Spanish Society of International Law.



### **Ms Phoebe JAMIESON**

Phoebe Jamieson is part of the Counter-Terrorism and Criminal Law sectors at the Council of Europe. She has a Bachelor's degree in International Disaster Management and Humanitarian response from the University of Manchester. Her work focuses on the legal standing of victims of terrorism, facilitating access to support for foreign nationals should a terrorist attack take place and promoting international cooperation in this domain. She is further working on the immediate response of emergency services following a terrorist attack as well as the questions and challenges related to the roles of women and children in terrorism.



### **Nane RETZLAFF**

Nane Retzlaff is Legal Officer at the Secretariat of the Federal Government Commissioner for the Victims and Bereaved of Terrorist Offences Committed on National Territory, Professor Edgar Franke. The Federal Government Commissioner is the central contact person for all those affected by such offences in Germany. He is independent in his work and is assisted by a secretariat within the Federal Ministry of Justice and Consumer Protection. He and his secretariat serve as an intermediary for establishing contact with the relevant authorities on the national and international level in order to help affected persons find practical, financial and psychosocial support. Inter alia, Professor Franke and his team support those affected by the terrorist attack on the Berlin Christmas market in 2016, persons affected by the attack on the synagogue in Halle (Saale) in 2019, and the victims and bereaved of the attack in Hanau in 2020.



## **Virgil SPIRIDON**

Head of Operations, Cybercrime Programme Office of the Council of Europe (C-PROC).

He has been Deputy Chief of the Romanian National Police, Head of the Direction for Countering Organized Crime (DCCO) within the Romanian National Police and Coordinator, within the European project EMPACT/EUROPOL, of the Cyber Criminality line (Credit card frauds).

His interest in cybercrime began while he was working in the Organised Crime Unit. The crimes were then known as 'credit card fraud' and 'internet fraud' before it was coined as 'cybercrime offences'. He enjoyed the challenges that these crimes posed, which meant that he had to adapt, build and develop his investigative techniques to ensure that criminals were caught. He always had an interest in technology and graduated in 'computer science' from High School, after which he continued my studies at the Romanian Police Academy. Technology is challenging and interesting and 'change is the only constant'.



## **Fernanda TEIXEIRA SOUZA DOMINGOS**

Brazil Federal Prosecutor since 1998. Fighting cybercrime since 2007. Coordinator of the Advisory Group on Cybercrime of the Criminal Chamber at the Federal Prosecution Service and Cybercrime Working Group Coordinator at São Paulo Unit and also working in the Human Rights Office - São Paulo Unit.

Law degree at Universidade de São Paulo - USP, 1994. Holds Specialist Titles from Escola Superior do Ministério Público do Estado de São Paulo and from Escola Superior do Ministério Público da União. Cybercrime Fight Teaching Experience at Escola Superior do Ministério Público da União

Enrolled in a Master's Program on Transnational Law at the Faculty of Law, Political Science and Management at University of Strasbourg – UNISTRA



## **Benjamin FITZPATRICK**

Benjamin Fitzpatrick serves as Senior Counsel in the Computer Crime and Intellectual Property Section of the U.S. Department of Justice. His work currently focuses on negotiating cross-border data agreements under the CLOUD Act and the Budapest Convention on Cybercrime. In addition to his policy portfolio, he was worked on criminal investigations of a massive data breach, a ransomware scheme, a leak and subsequent publication of military personnel PII, a botnet, a dark market, and a financial fraud scheme, and successfully prosecuted a Russian hacker who engaged in ad scams. Ben joined the Department in April 2012, serving first as Counsel in the Office of Law and Policy in the National Security Division, where he worked on cybersecurity and terrorism policy. Starting in January 2014, Ben served as Senior Counsel in



the Office of the Deputy Attorney General, working on cybersecurity and national security matters, before joining CCIPS in September 2015. He was awarded an Assistant Attorney General award in 2013, 2016, and 2020, and a Bea Rosenberg Award in 2020.

Ben graduated from Harvard Law School in 2004 and from Brown University in 1996. After law school, Ben clerked for Judge Leonie M. Brinkema in the Eastern District of Virginia, and spent several years in private practice at Baker Botts, LLP, working on white collar criminal defense and internal investigations.



### **Javier ZARAGOZA TEJADA**

Degree in Law from Complutense University, Madrid, June 2006. Master's in Human Rights with University of distance-learning.

Senior Prosecutor from 2012 to 2019 specialist in cybercrime. Since 2019 working as counsellor in the Spanish Constitutional Court.

He has been speaker in different national (University of Basque Country, University San Pablo CEU, Basic training for the staff of the Customs Spanish Agency, Basic training for practicing prosecutors, training for senior judges and prosecutors, Basque institute of Criminology, Bizkaia, Madrid, San Sebastian and Palma de Mallorca Bars Associations) and international (EJTN, University of Mexico, University of Argentina, University of Peru, training for Andorra Police) conferences related with cyberterrorism, cybercrime and human rights

He is author of different publications related with cybercrime and in 2017 he published his first book "Investigative criminal technology and human rights, The Law 13/2015".

In 2019 he was awarded with the white cross of the Spanish National Police.