

Radicalisation of Muslims in Europe: An Overview

We hear a lot about radicalisation of Muslims in Europe but there is confusion about what it means and how widespread it is, whether or not it is organised and growing. During this session we will provide an overview of some of the main characteristics of radicalisation of Muslims in Europe.

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2. Scope
3. Definition of radicalization
4. History
5. Roots of Islamic extremism
5. Not all is radicalisation
 - a. Mainline Muslims vs radical Muslims
 - b. Fundamentalist Muslims vs radical Muslims
6. Islamists

a. Missionary Islamists

b. Political Islamists

c. Jihadi Islamists

7. Salafists

a. Salafi pietists

b. Salafi Jihadis

8. Political radicalization vs theological radicalization

9. Examples of radical groups

10. Characteristics of radical Muslims in Europe

11. Future of radical Muslims in Europe

12. Conclusion

Suggested Readings:

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