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# Countering Violent Extremism and its Use in Social Media

## National Seminar on Preventing Violent Extremism

Time: November 19<sup>th</sup> 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<br>Director General Kauko Aaltomaa, Ministry of the Interior, Police Department   |
| 10.15 | Opening Remarks<br>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<br>Mr Vivek Venkatesh, Associate Professor, Concordia University, Montreal, Canada |
| 11.15 | Online Hate as Everyday Reality. Reflections on Identity and Ideologies among the Youth<br>Postdoctoral researcher Matti Näsi, Ph.D, Researcher, University of Helsinki   |
| 11.45 | Panel discussion/ Comments<br>Mr Rein Raud, Author/Professor, University of Helsinki<br>Mr Matthew Wood, Analyst, Amcham Finland  |
| 13.00 | Lunch break   |
| 14.00 | Online Interventions: Engaging with extremists through peer-to-peer messaging on social media<br>Mr Ross Frenett, Founding Director of Moonshot CVE, United Kingdom   |
| 14.45 | Community-Led Initiatives to Counter Religious Extremism<br>Mr Mahdi Abdile, Finn Church Aid, Brussels  |
| 15.30 | Closing words   |

