How to counter jihadist propaganda effectively and promote alternative narratives?

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The European Foundation for Democracy (EFD) is delighted to invite you to this Policy Dialogue, in partnership with the European Policy Centre (EPC) and the Counter Extremism Project (CEP).

Extremist propaganda is a major challenge and an absolute priority in the fight against terrorism. Jihadists' skilful use of propaganda, including as a recruitment tool, both online and offline, poses a multi-dimensional challenge for policymakers and the wider expert community in countering and preventing the indoctrination of vulnerable individuals.
What makes counter-propaganda effective and what are the opportunities and risks related to existing approaches? How exactly can civil society be empowered to become more involved in countering extremism propaganda? What is, and should be, the role of EU Member States and institutions in this crucial domain? Is there a need for additional finance or different funding mechanisms to support civil society in counter-propaganda efforts?

A panel of experts will address these questions as part of a new joint EFD-EPC-CEP project on policy priorities in Europe's response to jihadist radicalisation.