



WORKSHOP

GOVERNMENTAL RESPONSES TO TERRORIST ATTACKS IN EUROPE SINCE 2000

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■ INTRODUCTION

The terrorist attacks that struck Paris in January 2015 were neither the first nor the most lethal of those perpetrated by people claiming allegiance to radical islamism. However, they mark the beginning of a new wave of killings in European cities (in France, Germany, Denmark, Belgium, the UK, Spain). We know little about how, and how effectively, European governments whose countries have been struck by terrorism on their soil respond to the social emotions and conflicts potentially stirred by these attacks. How do they gauge public expectations? How do they define the event and manage it? How does the specific context of each event affect the reactions from the publics, the media, the opposition? How do governments work to restore trust in their ability to protect, to anticipate and to heal? The papers in this workshop examine what symbolic resources are available and which ones are mobilised by public actors in a comparative perspective.

■ PROGRAMME

8.45 - 9.00 *Welcome coffee*

9.00 - 12.30 **Laurie Boussaguet** and **Florence Faucher**
Drawing boundaries of citizenship as a response to terrorism

Pietro Castelli Gattinara | University of Oslo and
Andrea Felicetti | Katholieke Universiteit Leuven
Political responses to terrorist attacks in neighbouring countries UK and Italy after the January 2015 attacks in Paris

Tony McNulty | Queen Mary University of London
"Why the hell stir it all up again?" Understanding government responses to

terrorist attacks: forty-two days pre-charge detention and the counter-terrorism bill 2008

Francesca Galli | European University Institute
Counter-terrorism policies within the Union: towards a more inclusive approach?

12.30 - 14.00 *Lunch break*

14.00 - 17.30 **François Foret** | Université Libre Bruxelles
National and European re-framings of god after terrorism. Religion as a category of action and legitimization

Chloé Thomas | Saint-Louis University, Brussels
Belgium's response to terrorism through performance and communication
(coffee break around 15.30)

Jeanine de Roy van Zuijdewijn | Leiden University
The process of meaning-making after the 2016 Brussels bombings: a study into frames, rituals and symbols

Concluding remarks: **Zaki Laïdi** | Science Po Paris

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