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Terror threat: Lessons from Israel's experience on the home front

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16:30 – 18:00

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Europe has woken up to a new reality: terrorism has become a major domestic threat and the number of victims has risen dramatically since 2015. The attacks in Paris, Brussels, Berlin, Marseille, London and Stockholm have shown us that terrorists are constantly adapting their methods to instil fear by killing innocent victims. The EU and its member states will also have to adapt police and intelligence methods to cope with the changing threats.

Israel has suffered from terrorist attacks on its soil since its founding days and has thus won painful experience in dealing with the situation Europe now faces. The panel will discuss their recently completed independent fact finding report, based on unprecedented access to the Israeli state – from the Prime Minister, to Intelligence security and Intelligence agencies and the military. There are lessons to be learned from Israel's experience: What are the most important developments in Israel's strategy and methods? What can the EU learn from Israel's experiences? How can we cooperate to tackle terrorism together and protect the values of our liberal societies?

PROGRAMME

16:00	Registration
16:30	Welcome remarks: Tomi Huhtanen , Executive Director, Martens Centre Introduction: Davis Lewin , Rapporteur, High Level Military Group
16:45	Discussants: Lord Harris of Haringey , Counter-Terrorism Adviser to the Mayor of London; former Chair of Metropolitan Police Authority Col Richard Kemp , former Counter Terror Adviser to COBRA Committee, UK Government Nitzan Nuriel , former Director, Counter Terrorism Bureau. National Security Council, Israel Moderated by: Roland Freudenstein , Policy Director, Martens Centre Q&A
18:00	Reception