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## **International Workshop on “Radicalization and De-Radicalization” Compares Experiences in Germany, Indonesia and Beyond**

Developments in the Middle East during the last year have brought the issue of foreign terrorist fighters into sharp focus internationally. From many parts of the world, young men and women are travelling to Syria and Iraq to join the ranks of the terrorist organization known as the Islamic State (IS). Various governments are facing similar challenges in finding methods to curb the movement of radicalized would-be terrorists, and in charging or supervising returnees.

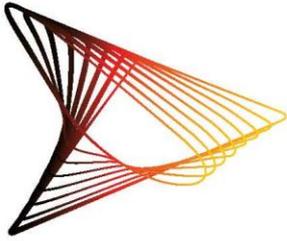
But beyond restrictive measures that governments may impose, lies the broader issue of the radicalization of young people. Preventing radicalization on the one hand and opening avenues for exiting a radicalized environment on the other hand are intertwined tasks beyond the scope of governments. They are tasks affecting and therefore concerning society as a whole.

An international workshop on the topic organized by the German Embassy Jakarta, the Goethe-Institut Indonesien in collaboration with PUSAD Paramadina and Konrad Adenauer Stiftung will take place in Jakarta from November 24 to 26.

It includes Indonesian and German academics, government representatives, policy makers, leaders of civil society and NGOs as well as activists. The core of this workshop is an intensive exchange among participants to share their knowledge, skills and experiences. The workshop is for invited participants only.

A public session will be held on **November 26 at 10:30 WIB** at the Goethe-Institut Jakarta. Concluding remarks will be held by **Sidney Jones**, Director of Institute for Policy Analysis of Conflict (IPAC) and **Dr. Thorsten Gerald Schneiders**, Editor Deutschlandfunk and expert on Islam. **Prof. Dr. Azyumardi Azra** of the Syarif Hidayatullah State Islamic University and German Deputy Ambassador **Dr. Thorsten Hutter** will deliver the closing speeches.





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The international workshop "Radicalization and De-Radicalization" is part of the German Season, an initiative of the Federal Foreign Office in Germany. The German Season is organized by the Goethe-Institut Indonesien, the German Embassy Jakarta and EKONID.

### AT A GLANCE

Radicalization and De-Radicalization  
Comparing Experiences – Germany, Indonesia and Beyond  
24 – 26 November  
Jakarta

Public Session  
26 November, 10:30 WIB  
Goethe-Institut Jakarta  
Jl. Sam Ratulangi 9-15  
Menteng, Central Jakarta

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