

June - July 2010

# COUNTER-TERRORISM STUDIES

**Executive Certificate Program**  
 at the Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya, Israel

June 27 - July 16, 2010

**The Executive Certificate Program in Counter-Terrorism Studies**, offered by the Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy and the International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT) at the Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya, is a unique opportunity for professionals to learn about central issues in homeland security and counter-terrorism both from those with first-hand experience and those involved in cutting-edge research in these fields. Based on years of extensive research, instruction and work in the field, this multi-disciplinary program brings together the best of academic theory and practical knowledge.

For the past eight years, the Lauder School of Government has been offering courses on terrorism studies, counter-terrorism and homeland security. These courses are taught by leading scholars and Israeli security professionals from the ICT, a research institute at IDC Herzliya.

Dr. Boaz Ganor, Co-Founder and Executive Director of the ICT and Deputy Dean of the Lauder School of Government, is the program's director.



*" The instructors' academic and real-world experience create an innovative course that is practical and much needed for the counter-terrorism arena. "*

*Detective Alex Vargas  
 Anti-Terrorism intelligence Section,  
 Los Angeles Police Department*

For more information and to apply to the program, please contact us:

[ctstudies@idc.ac.il](mailto:ctstudies@idc.ac.il)

[www.ict.org.il](http://www.ict.org.il)

**Counter-Terrorism Studies**

**ICT at IDC Herzliya**

P.O.Box 167

Herzliya 46150, Israel

Tel: 972-9-952-7277

Fax: 972-9-951-3073

## Program Content

The **Counter-Terrorism Studies Program** combines academic study, simulations, workshops and on-site briefings. The courses provide concentrated, in-depth exposure to the phenomenon of modern terrorism and its characteristics, modus operandi, scope and dissemination throughout the world. In addition, participants will obtain an understanding of the challenge this phenomenon presents to decision-makers, security establishments, first responders and the business sector, based on the experience Israel has accumulated in the field. Circumstances have forced Israel to develop sophisticated counter-terrorism strategies and techniques and to amass extensive knowledge regarding terrorism. The program will allow participants from around the globe to benefit from Israel's experience and advanced international counter-terrorism efforts.

## Courses for the 2010 Summer Semester

### Counter-Terrorism (CT) Issues and Challenges for Homeland Security (*Hoffman*)

The course will deal with current and future trends and patterns in terrorism, as well as levels of cooperation between police, military and civilian agencies, intelligence analysis and dissemination, preparing for CBRN terrorism and terrorist exploitation of the internet and other media.

### Shifting Battle Lines: Responding to new challenges in terrorism and CT (*Adato, Shahr, Shenhar*)

As warfare between states is gradually superseded by warfare between governments and non-state actors, the nature of warfare itself is changing. This shift is accompanied by the growing provenance and effectiveness of terrorism as a method of resolving political conflicts.

This course will deal with three aspects of the shift of conflict from the military sphere to the homefront-intelligence gathering, counter-radicalization, and homefront preparedness. The first part of the course will

examine the development of terrorism in information space and how the counter-terrorism community can exploit the terrorist presence in cyberspace for intelligence operations. The second part will deal with the threat of radicalization in the prison system and ways of managing imprisoned terrorists. The final section will focus on the challenges facing the homefront, including the threat of non-conventional terrorism, and will develop a model for homefront preparedness and crisis communications.

### Arab & Islamic Cultural Environment (*Mimran*)

The course provides comprehensive insights into the Arab and Islamic cultural environment, including its structures, accepted norms, values, social practices and characteristics of communication. Course participants will gain practical tools enabling them to better analyze situations and processes in the Arab environment, design useful policies when working with Arab and Islamic populations, and improve their communication skills.

### Radical Islamic Ideologies & Strategies: From Da'awa to Jihad (*Fighel & Azani*)

The course will explore the exploitation of the social, education and welfare activities aimed at bringing people closer to Islam, in order to spread radical jihadist ideology, for recruitment to terrorist organizations, to finance terror activities and establish a global jihadi network.

### Terrorist Organizations and Operations (*Gunaratna*)

The course will analyze the changing face of international terrorism. It will focus on the organization's leadership, membership, collaborators and sympathizers, terrorist group profiles, typologies, tactics, techniques, and modus operandi.

### Terrorism and Extortion (*Lotan*)

The course will analyze extortion by terrorists – i.e. hostage taking, kidnappings and hijackings – in different parts of the world, as well as the challenges and difficulties involved in negotiating with hostage-taking terrorists. This course will include interactive activities and group simulations.

## Faculty\*

The program's faculty is composed of ICT researchers and associates, Lauder School of Government faculty members and guest lectures from Israel and abroad:

**Prof. Bruce Hoffman** – Tenured professor in the Security Studies Program at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C.; the corporate chair in counter-terrorism and counterinsurgency and the former director of the RAND Corporation's Washington, D.C. office and the former senior advisor on counter-terrorism to the Office of National Security Affairs, Coalition Provisional Authority, Baghdad, Iraq. Prof. Hoffman is a senior fellow at the Combating Terrorism Center, U.S. Military academy, West Point, N.Y., and a visiting senior fellow at the Institute of Defense and Strategic Studies, Nanyang Technological

University, Singapore. He received his D.Phil. from Oxford University.

**Lt. General (Ret.) Orit Adato** – Lt. Gen. Orit Adato is the Managing Director of Adato Consulting Ltd., a company that specializes in correction management, strategic planning, prison privatization, and the management of terror inmates and organized crime gangs in prisons. In addition, Lt. Gen. Adato serves as the 1st International Vice President of the International Correction and Prisons Association (ICPA). Lt. Gen. Adato spent 24 years in the Israel Defense Forces, achieving the posts of Commander of Training Bases and Head of the Women's Corps. Following this, she was nominated by the Israeli government as the Commissioner of the Israel Prisons Service. She received her B.Sc. in Educational Administration from Haifa University and her M.A. in Political Science from Haifa University.

**Ms. Yael Shahar** – Director, ICT OSINT Database Project  
Yael Shahar heads ICT's database project. She designed the ICT terrorist connections database and the terrorist incidents database, used for tracking links between terrorist individuals, front companies, and organizations. Ms. Shahar specializes in the study of technological trends as applied to terrorism and intelligence sharing. She designed the database-driven algorithm used for ICT's threat assessments. Ms. Shahar is primarily responsible for conducting open-source datamining in support of ICT research projects, as well as venue-specific threat assessments for ICT's commercial clients. She lectures on terrorism trends, non-conventional terrorism, and threat assessment at the International Policy Institute for Counter Terrorism, Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya, and conducts threat assessment workshops worldwide.

**Col. (Ret.) Gilead (Gili) Shenhar** – Gili Shenhar is a senior consultant in the field of homeland security and an expert in emergency and disaster response assessment and planning, multi-agency /multi-disciplinary operational response, and risk communication planning and solutions. Shenhar serves as program coordinator for the Tel Aviv University Executive Master's Program for Emergency and Disaster Management. He is also an ICT research associate and researcher at the Israel Center for Trauma and Emergency Medicine Research at the Gertner Institute. During his service in the Israel Defense Forces (IDF), Shenhar was a leader of Doctrine and Development, R&D units, and other operational organizations. He served as senior advisor to the Commander of the IDF Home Front Command (HFC) during Operation Iraqi Freedom. During the 2006 Second Lebanon War, Shenhar assisted the HFC with planning and executing risk communication for the civil population. During the 2009 Gaza War, he served as a senior spokesman for the HFC. Since 2007, Shenhar has also served as an expert for the United Nations Disaster Assessment and Coordination Team.

**Mr. Yoav Mimran** – Mr. Yoav Mimran is an expert in Middle-Eastern, Arab and Islamic cultures, social behavior, environment and language. He has more than 20 years of experience in training military, police and intelligence forces in how to understand and adapt to Middle-Eastern environments. Mr. Mimran formerly taught spoken Arabic at Hebrew University of Jerusalem, where he received his Masters degree.

**Dr. Col. (res.) Eitan Azani** – Deputy Executive Director of the ICT and the former head of intelligence in the IDF's Lebanon Division. He is an expert analyst on terrorist organizations in the Lebanese and Palestinian arenas, in particular Hizballah, and lectures on counter-terrorism and global jihad at IDC Herzliya. His research focuses on: the financing of global and regional terrorism; the development of global jihad movements (from Da'awa to Jihad); and Iranian and Shiite terrorism.

**Col. (res.) Jonathan Figchel** – ICT Senior Researcher. Former Military Governor of the cities of Ramallah, Jenin and Tul Karem. He served in various operational and field positions in the IDF's Intelligence Corps. He is an expert on Palestinian terror organizations, counter-

terrorism, and Middle East affairs, as well as the Palestinian Authority, Islamist organizations (Hamas, Islamic Jihad and Al-Qaeda) and the phenomenon of Palestinian suicide terrorism.

**Prof. Rohan Gunaratna** – Head of the International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research at Singapore's Nanyang Technological University. Gunaratna was a trainer for GIGN France, US Navy SEALs, CTSO Canada, D88 Indonesia, and other elite counter terrorism tactical units. He has visited or worked in conflict zones worldwide. Invited to testify before the 9-11 commission, Gunaratna has 25 years of operational, policy and academic experience in counter terrorism. A litigation consultant to the U.S. Department of Justice, Gunaratna was United States expert in the Jose Padilla trial. He is author of the international bestseller "Inside Al Qaeda: Global Network of Terror" (Columbia University Press, New York).

**Col. (res.) Lior Lotan, Adv.** – Former ICT Executive Director. Former commander of the IDF's Hostage and Crisis Negotiation and Counter-Terrorism Units. He is also an attorney, who specializes in corporate law. His areas of expertise are hostage barricade situations and counter-terrorism strategy. In addition, he headed a professional team of operations and intelligence experts for the Olympic Games in Athens 2004

*\* Lecturers are subject to change.*

## Program Participants

The Counter-Terrorism Studies Program is designed for executives and practitioners who deal with homeland security and have counter-terrorism experience on various levels as well as scholars and graduate students who wish to expand their knowledge and understanding of the phenomenon.

## Program Structure

The Counter-Terrorism Studies Program will be taught in English over a three-week period during June 27 – July 16, 2010. It includes six graduate level courses delivered by top experts from Israel and abroad, who are among ICT's senior researchers and associates. Each course consists of 20 academic hours taught over a concentrated period of a week (see chart). Participants will be granted an Executive Certificate from ICT and the Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy upon completion of the program. Participants may also register for only part of the program (between one and six courses). In that case, ICT and the Lauder School of Government will issue certificates for each course separately.

## Tuition

Tuition for the Executive Certificate Program in Counter-Terrorism Studies is \$5,360 (for all six courses). The tuition fee for participating in part of the program is \$1,340 per course. Tuition fees do not include transportation to/from Israel or accommodation. If necessary, the program will help participants find suitable accommodation near the IDC Herzliya campus.

# Counter Terrorism Studies Program - June-July, 2010



**ICT**  
International Institute  
for Counter-Terrorism

ICT is an academic policy research institute and think tank dedicated to developing innovative public policy solutions to international terrorism. The Institute applies an integrated, solutions-oriented approach built on a foundation of real world and practical experience.

The Institute seeks international cooperation in the global struggle against terrorism, paving the way for multilateral action against terrorist networks, benefactors and states sponsoring terrorism.

The Institute not only provides situational recommendations to the private sector, but also aims to affect policy at the highest levels and stimulate joint international cooperation.

*"This course gives insights into fundamental issues fueling global terrorism and opens up new possibilities and models for countering the threat."*

*Cary Gleicher, FBI's Legal attaché to Israel*

*"The Counter-Terrorism Program is excellent for networking. I met wonderful people from all over the world."*

*Military Officer*

*"There was a real combination of theory and practice. They were able to provide more concrete knowledge and examples than I can get at a university."*

*Ph.D. Candidate*

*"The program gave an intellectual framework which is very useful for an analyst."*

*Intelligence Analyst*

*"The courses were enlightening and the lectures were of an exceptionally high standard. I doubt anywhere in the world would you get such a gathering of people from security and academia, especially in such a short period of time."*

*Rep. of the Prime-Minister's Office*

## Time Table: June 27 - July 16, 2010 \*

\* Program subject to change.

Day	Week 1						Week 2						Week 3					
	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	M	T	W	T	F
Date	27	28	29	30	1	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	11	12	13	14	15	16
09:00-10:30	Registration	Counter-Terrorism Issues and Challenges for Homeland Security	Shifting Battle Lines			Workshop	Arab & Islamic Cultural Environment					Workshop	Terrorist Organizations and Operations	Terrorism and Extortion				
11:00-12:30																		
12:30-13:30	Lunch Break																	
13:30-15:00	Counter-Terrorism Issues and Challenges for Homeland Security	Shifting Battle Lines		No Class	Radical Islamic Ideologies & Strategies: From Da'awa to Jihad					No Class	Terrorist Organizations and Operations		Terrorism and Extortion		Graduation Ceremony			
15:30-17:00																		