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## Discourses of Counter-Radicalisation and Counter-Terrorism: Critical Approaches

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This panel discusses the discourses around different counter-radicalisation and counter-terrorism approaches. Three papers cover the case of Prevent in the UK, which is one of four strands of the UK counterterrorism strategy - CONTEST. One paper focuses on the gendered nature of the discourses surrounding these issues and another paper compares US and EU approaches to far-right extremism. The different but related issues covered in this panel will shed light on contentious points around these types of approaches, which tend to rest on ill-defined and poorly evidenced assumptions about how people become involved in political violence, further embedding religious and ethnic discrimination through its overwhelming focus on individuals identified as being at risk of radicalisation into Al Qaeda- or ISIS-inspired violent extremism.

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