

Everyday Security: Countering Radicalisation in Ordinary Spaces

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Research on everyday, vernacular, and ontological security is burgeoning in International Relations, including in studies of Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism. However, these literatures have at times reduced the agency of publics, positioned as vectors through which security happens. This panel is one of two connected panels which brings together critical scholarship that is reimagining the way that Security becomes produced, re-produced and co-produced, through everyday interactions and relations. The papers within this panel explore the UK's central counter-terrorism policy apparatus, Prevent. They draw on rich, empirical data which examines how publics enact pre-crime state policy, within 'ordinary' spaces. Further, they offer critical insights into the realities of delivering counter-/de-radicalisation initiatives within multifaceted spatio-temporal contexts, revealing the multiplicity of challenges felt by those tasked with implementation. In bringing together these empirically rich studies, at the forefront of reshaping how the production of (in)Security is viewed, we reveal how everyday practices and interactions are at the heart of the possibility of transforming politics from the ground up.

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