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## Afghanistan: 20 Years after 9/11

### Two Decades of Military Occupation: Missteps and Lessons Learned

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**Welcome remarks: Prof. Christian Kaunert, Prof. Sarah Léonard and Dr. Joana de Deus Pereira**

10:00

**Moderator: Mr. Waqar Rizvi (Indus News)**

**Speakers:**

- **Dr. Arif Sahar (Sheffield Hallam University)** "State-building in Afghanistan after 2001: Missteps and Pitfalls"
- **Mr. Raffaello Pantucci (Royal United Services Institute)** "Successes and Failures of the Global War on Terror"
- **Prof. Daniela Irrera (University of Catania)** "The Role of Italy and Europe in the Attempted Democratization of Afghanistan"
- **Dr. Bhupinder Singh (Christ - deemed to be - University)** "India and the Impact of the Taliban Takeover"
- **Mr. Moign Khawaja (Dublin City University)** "Afghanistan's New Peacemakers and Old Foes: the Nation Facing the Challenges Posed by the Taliban, Al Qaeda and IS Wilayat Khorasan"

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**Keynote speech:**

**Prof. John M. Nomikos (Research Institute for European and American Studies)** "From Syria (2015) to Afghanistan (2021) Refugees: Lessons the EU Member States Must Learn"

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### A Safe Haven for Terrorism No More: Counter-Terrorism Cooperation and the Challenges Ahead

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**Moderator: Prof. Sarah Léonard (University of the West England Bristol)**

**Speakers:**

- **Mr. Kanishka Nawabi (University of South Wales)** "Madrassas: the Birthplace of Afghan Jihad and the Taliban - History and Future Trajectory"
- **Dr. Luciano Pollichieni (Critica, Research and Analysis)** "Afghanistan and the Evolution of the Crime-Terrorism Nexus"
- **Ms. Annelies Pauwels (Flemish Peace Institute)** "The Impact of the Afghanistan Withdrawal on Extremism and Terrorism in Europe"
- **Prof. Joseph Fitsanakis (Coastal Carolina University)** "Intelligence Collection in Denied Areas: the Lessons of Afghanistan"

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