

ALISAH ALTERTHUM

Consultant

PERSONAL PROFILE

Multi-faceted professional equipped with a wide range of experiences ranging from security and terrorism studies, Middle East (focus: Turkey, Iran, Lebanon, Gulf Region) and Caucasus policy, CVE/PVE consultancy to risk assessment analysis. Possesses a sound working knowledge of the MENA region's political and security landscape. Acquired versatile language proficiency in English, German, Turkish, French and Farsi

SKILLS

- Advanced Communication Skills
- Leadership and Negotiation Skills
- Advanced Analytical Thinking Skills
- Performance Management
- Resource Management

LANGUAGES

- German: Native
- English: Bilingual
- Turkish: Proficient/Fluent (C2)
- Azerbaijani: Proficient (C2)
- French: Advanced (C1)
- Farsi: Advanced (C1)
- Hebrew: Elementary (A2) **Currently attending ULPAN

TRAINING

US Dep. Homeland Security/ National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism
(February 2019)

- Effectively Researching & Interpreting Data for Defense and Security Professionals
- Understanding Terrorism and Terrorism Threat
- Using Global Terrorism Database
- Cyber Threats faced and Ways to Mitigate Threat
- Training in Risk & Crisis Communication (TRCC)
- Community-led Action in Response to Violent Extremism

CONTACT DETAILS

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CAREER HISTORY

ISRAEL MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Fellowship, September 2019 - present

- Drafting UN Resolution proposals/protocols for the UN Division
- Writing official speeches disseminated to Israeli ambassadors and Perm. Rep. of Israel to UN
- Conducting demand research/policy proposals on Turkey, Iran, and Gulf Region for Strategic and Regional Security Division
- Conducting demand research linked to the UN Office for Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT) in New York

CVE/PVE AND RISK REDUCTION CONSULTANCY

Freelancer, December 2019 - present

- Assisting clients to address root causes of violent extremism to effectively counter efforts to recruit followers of jihadi ideology
- Drafting targeted CVE/PVE (countering/preventing violent extremism) programs
- Applying specialized tool and methodologies to identify drives of violent extremism on individual and community level

GERMAN INSTITUTE ON RADICALIZATION AND DE-RADICALIZATION

Advocacy Officer, January 2017- August 2018

- Implemented CVE projects in collaboration with law enforcement countering recruitment of potential violent extremists
- Drafted workshop curricula for de-radicalization programs for targeted communities

INSTITUTE FOR NEAR EAST AND GULF MILITARY ANALYSIS (INEGMA)

Research Analyst (Intern), March 2016 - December 2016

- Produced Risk Mapping and Threat Assessments on strategic and operational level security risks (Iran focus)
- Conducted Risk Reporting and Analysis of macro-level political risk factors
- Identified implications of integrated air and missile defense

CESTRON INTERNATIONAL GMBH

Risk Assessment Analyst, April 2014- November 2016

- Identified targeted countries' security situation for field projects
- Assessed general threat environment and threat levels
- Classified security-related risks and concerns to company personnel and scope of operation
- Developed threat vulnerability probability and impact analysis
- Consulted with contracting government departments and international agencies e.g. NATO on current security trends

CENTER FOR ECONOMICS AND FOREIGN POLICY STUDIES (EDAM)

Research Intern, October 2013 - March 2014

- Formulated research papers assessing security instruments and military strategies of Turkey, Iran, and Israel
- Conducted university-led research on security, terrorism, and counter-terrorism studies
- Conducted in-depth research on Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) and its military capabilities
- Prepared portfolios on terrorist organizations: Hezbollah, Hamas, and Islamic Jihad

ACADEMIC HISTORY

Portland State University, Oregon (hybrid)

BA Political Science - 2011-2015

Minor: Law and Legal Studies / Middle East Studies

Lewis and Clark College, Portland Oregon

Certificate in International Law - 2011-2012

University of Maryland, Maryland (hybrid)

Certificate in Terrorism Analysis - 2018

University of Maryland, Maryland (hybrid)

MA Homeland Security Management - 2018 - current

Specialization: Counter-Terrorism