Call for Papers

Society for Terrorism Research, 14th Annual International Conference

September 3rd-4th, 2020

Conference Theme: Unanswered Questions and Under-Researched Topics in Terrorism Research



The Society for Terrorism Research (STR) and the School of Law and Social Sciences at Royal Holloway, University of London are delighted to announce the Call for Papers for the 2020 STR Annual International Conference.

Proposals for paper presentations, symposia, posters and other formal sessions will be considered for inclusion in the programme if they are received by March 3rd, 2020.

In addition to showcasing the best examples of new research on terrorism, the goal of this conference is to look towards the future. We encourage participants to engage with the challenges of identifying what the key unanswered questions and under-researched topics for terrorism researchers are. It is our hope that by identifying these areas that new research agendas may begin to emerge.

This call is open to researchers and practitioners alike.

All proposals need to be submitted via email to str2020@rhul.ac.uk by March 3 rd, 2020. Please note that we must be able to edit the proposal document to create the conference programme. We therefore request that it is sent to us in MS Word Format. All proposals must include:

- Author/Presenter Name(s) & Title(s)
- Affiliation
- Mailing Address(es)
- Email Address(es)
- Telephone Number
- Website URL
- Twitter Handle
- Title and Abstract (maximum 200 words)

Biographical Information, Twitter Handle and the Abstract provided will be published in the conference programme unless requested otherwise.

Alongside the traditional 15-minute conference presentations the 2020 conference programme will also include a series of 5-minute emerging research presentations. This will allow delegates to present on their new and emerging research, which may not yet be ready for a more detailed paper presentation. If you plan to give one of these emerging research presentations please indicate this on your submission.





Student Paper Contest



The organising committee wishes to promote the work of graduate students (MA/MSc/PhD) in the area of terrorism research. All paper presentations submitted by graduate students will therefore be eligible for the award of Best Student Paper. The winner will have the written paper published in the peerreviewed journal Behavioral Sciences of Terrorism and Political Aggression. A committee comprising of the STR Governing Board members, editors of the journal, and selected specialists will make the award decision.

The author(s) must initially submit an abstract by the general submission date of

March 3rd, 2020. At the time of abstract submission they must indicate that they wish their paper to be considered for the Student Paper Contest. It is only after their abstract is accepted that competition entrants should send a full paper to the conference organisers. All those papers eligible for consideration must be submitted by July 3rd, 2020. This paper must comply with the author guidelines for the journal.

Eligibility

To be eligible for the student paper contest the primary author's presentation of the paper at the Conference is required. The primary author should be a current graduate student studying through a third level institution.

Alternatively they must have successfully completed their graduate studies since January 1st, 2020.

This competition is not open to current undergraduate students.



About the Conference



Since the dawn of the 21st century there have been significant advances made in our understanding of terrorism. Aided by the 'data revolution' referenced in the 2019 STR Oslo conference theme we are now closer to answering many of the questions that have been challenging us for years. However, there are still many more unanswered questions, and underresearched topics that we need to address. The 2020 conference theme challenges

delegates to consider these questions and topics in their conference contributions.

Hosted at Royal Holloway's picturesque Egham campus, the 2020 conference promises to be a memorable event. Royal Holloway, University of London is emerging as yet another leading university to be engaging in terrorism research. This is exemplified by the newly established MSc in Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism Studies, and the Conflict, Violence and Terrorism Research Centre co-directed by Dr. John Morrison and Dr. Akil Awan.

For those who wish to attend and present at the conference the key dates to put in your diaries are:

March 3rd: Abstracts due
April 15th: Notification of Acceptance
June 3rd: Early Bird Registrations
July 3rd: Student Paper full submission
deadline.

August 12th: Registration Deadline

All conference abstracts should be sent via email to str2020@rhul.ac.uk. For all the most up to date information about the conference please follow the conference Twitter account @STR_2020.

The organising committee plans to facilitate smaller round-table discussions during the conference. Please email us any round-table suggestions you may have to the conference email address.

If you are proposing a symposium please submit the symposium abstract identifying the moderator, the names of each presenter and the topic of each presentation. Each symposium participant should email their contribution's abstract, identifying in which symposium they will present.

We are really looking forward to receiving your proposals, and welcoming you to Royal Holloway in September 2020.