

**Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED)**

**Open meeting of the Counter-Terrorism Committee  
with the CTED Global Research Network**

**“Emerging threats, trends and developments in terrorism and counter-  
terrorism: reflecting on 20 years of countering the terrorist threat”**

*United Nations Headquarters, New York,  
Friday, 3 September 2021, 10.00 a.m.-12.00 p.m. EDT*

**Summary report**

**I. Introduction**

1. In its resolution 2129 (2013), the Security Council directs the Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED) to identify emerging issues, trends and developments relating to the relevant Security Council resolutions on terrorism. In accordance with that resolution, and in order to strengthen its existing research and analysis capabilities, CTED launched the Global Research Network (GRN) in February 2015. The second open meeting of the Committee with the GRN was held on 16 November 2017.

2. In its resolution 2395 (2017), the Council recognizes CTED’s relationships with relevant experts in, inter alia, academia and think tanks, and takes note of the value of their participation in briefings, workshops, and open meetings to support the Committee’s efforts to advance implementation of resolutions 1373 (2001), 1624 (2005) and 2178 (2014) and other relevant resolutions on counter-terrorism, as well as to promote analysis of emerging threats, trends and developments. Council resolution 2395 (2017) also reiterates CTED’s essential role to identify emerging issues, trends and developments relating to the implementation of the relevant Council resolutions, as well as the importance of its work with relevant partners in this area, including through the GRN.

3. Currently consisting of over 100 leading research institutes and think tanks from across the world — including those regions most affected by terrorism — the GRN provides CTED with evidence-based research insights from diverse regional perspectives, with the aim of supporting the Committee’s efforts to promote Member States’

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### **II. Summary of discussions**

5. The open meeting featured remarks by H.E. Mr. Tarek Ladeb, Chair of the Counter-Terrorism Committee; Assistant Secretary-General Michèle Coninx,

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growing intersection between areas impacted by terrorism and areas facing significant humanitarian needs.

12. The meeting concluded with a statement by the Chair of the Committee, who emphasized the need for Member States to reflect on the new and emerging challenges identified and reaffirmed the Committee's intention to further strengthen its dialogue and cooperation with the research community in order to help bridge the gaps between the policy and research communities and further support implementation of the relevant Security Council resolutions.

*Additional information about the open meeting (including concept note, agenda and webcast recording) are available on the Committee's website:*

<https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/ctc/news/ctc-grn-open-meeting-reflects-past-twenty-years-counter-terrorism-and-highlights-key-future>