The OSCE Parliamentary Assembly established the Ad Hoc Committee on Countering Terrorism (CCT) in July 2017 to strengthen the contribution of OSCE parliamentarians in addressing violent extremism and radicalization.

**Composition**

- **Chair**
  Reinhold Lopatka (Austria)

- **Vice-Chair**
  Kamil Aydın (Türkiye)

- **Members**
  - Vilija Aleknaitė-Abramikienė (Lithuania)
  - Ravshanbek Alimov (Uzbekistan)
  - Paula Cardoso (Portugal)
  - Tsogtbaatar Damdin (Mongolia)
  - Ida Glanzmann-Hunkeler (Switzerland)
  - Maria Karapetyan (Armenia)
  - Pia Kauma (Finland)
  - Sverre Myrli (Norway)
  - Marc Veasey (United States of America)
  - Emanuele Loperfido (Italy)

**Goals of the Committee**

- **Advocate** for inclusive, effective and human rights-compliant counter-terrorism responses.
- **Contribute** to the timely implementation of the international counter-terrorism framework.
- **Develop** forward-looking policy guidance based on identified loopholes and new approaches.

**Act as enablers**, shaping national policy & legislative counter-terrorism frameworks and establishing the mandate of security-related bodies.

**Serve as controllers**, ensuring that all counter-terrorism measures fully respect fundamental freedoms, including through the oversight of national counter-terrorism bodies.

**Bridge diverging views** at all levels, whereby they promote constructive exchanges between civil society and state authorities, as well as inter-parliamentary dialogue and cooperation.

**Parliamentarians in Counterterrorism**

**CCT “Toolkit”**

- Committee Meetings and Hearings
- Official Visits & Conferences
- Policy Resolutions
- Oversight Initiatives
- Outreach & Public Messaging
- Partnerships
The OSCE PA was nominated as the first President of the new United Nations Coordination Mechanism among Parliamentary Assemblies on Counter-Terrorism in June 2022. Through this platform, the CCT promotes OSCE counter-terrorism commitments across the globe, extending the reach of its actions and fostering greater coherence of parliamentary efforts.

### Areas of Focus

- Promote the successful prosecution, rehabilitation, and reintegration of FTFs and their families, including women and children, in the OSCE Region.
- Strengthen border security and information sharing through sound Advance Passenger Information (API), Passenger Name Records (PNR) and biometric data management systems, in accordance with UN SCR 2396.

- Foster prevention efforts and promote sensible global parameters & guidance to counter radicalization, both offline and online.
- Support victims of terrorism and strengthen the role of victims' associations through advocacy and awareness-raising.
- Explore the intersection of terrorism with other serious threats, such as bio-terrorism, terrorism financing, nuclear proliferation, A.I and hybrid threats.

### Key Achievements

**Strengthened the engagement of parliamentarians**, assessed new trends and shared key lessons learned through dozens of expert meetings (20), international and regional parliamentary conferences (20) and field visits to OSCE participating States (10).

**Developed innovative policy guidance in topical areas of counter-terrorism:**
1. The Wagner Group’s Terroristic Nature and Actions (2023 Vancouver Resolution)
2. Victims of Terrorism (2022 Birmingham Resolution).
3. Addressing the Threats Stemming From the Return & Relocation of FTFs (2019 Luxembourg Resolution).

**Promoted the implementation of relevant international obligations**, such as on border security and information sharing stemming from UN SCR 2396 (2019), through targeted parliamentary oversight initiatives and consistent public messaging.

**Boosted international co-ordination** through a network of key partnerships, including with the OSCE, the United Nations and various regional interparliamentary assemblies. Since June 2022, the OSCE PA has been chairing the first ever Co-ordination Mechanism of Parliamentary Assemblies on Counter-Terrorism (under UN aegis).

**Encouraged OSCE governments to uphold inclusive and human rights-based responses** to counter terrorism & disinformation, and lend critical support to the most vulnerable and exposed groups in society, throughout the COVID-19 emergency (2020-2022).

### Upcoming

- **Fourth Coordination Meeting of Parliamentary Assemblies & Second Parliamentary Policy Dialogue, 4 - 5 October 2023** (Vienna, Austria)
- **Fifth Coordination Meeting of Parliamentary Assemblies & Third Parliamentary Policy Dialogue & Youth Forum, Jan/Feb 2024** (Doha, Qatar) - TBC
- **16th Meeting of CCT** on the margins of the OSCE PA Winter Meeting, Feb 2024 (Vienna, Austria)

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