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Subject: Invitation: Strong Cities Network National-Local Cooperation Webinar, Wednesday 12 November 2025

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Good morning Mayor and Council,

I'm forwarding the invitation below in case you are interested in attending the upcoming Strong Cities Network webinar on National-Local Cooperation in Secondary and Tertiary Prevention **Challenges and Opportunities**, in partnership with the National Coordinator for Security and Counterterrorism of the Netherlands.

The session will take place as follows:

DATE: Wednesday, November 12, 2025

TIME: 09:00 PST

REGISTER: You can register by Monday, 10 November 2025 using the following link:

<https://forms.office.com/e/1biYqsmfu0>

Further details can be found below.

Thank you,
Sandra

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Dear Colleagues,

The Strong Cities Network is pleased to invite you to a webinar on **National-Local Cooperation in Secondary and Tertiary Prevention: Good Practices, Challenges and Opportunities**, in partnership with the National Coordinator for Security and Counterterrorism of the Netherlands.

Background

As they look to operationalise and sustain a whole-of-society approach to preventing and countering violent extremism, terrorism and other threats to social cohesion, governments worldwide are increasingly prioritising secondary and tertiary prevention. While primary prevention builds resilience and reduces vulnerabilities at a societal level, secondary and tertiary interventions require closer collaboration between national and local governments, as well as other relevant actors, to identify, support and, where necessary, manage individuals at risk of or already engaged in extremist or other forms of targeted violence.

Local governments often have the closest ties to communities and can provide trusted entry points for support, while national authorities offer strategic oversight, resources and security capabilities. Where trust and coordination are weak, however, assessments and/or interventions can be fragmented or ineffective. Strengthening national-local cooperation (NLC) is therefore key to ensuring that prevention frameworks are both effective, impactful and sustainable.

Building on [Strong Cities NLC](#) work to-date, this session will bring together representatives from national and local governments, as well as practitioners and subject matter experts, to discuss how structured collaboration can enhance secondary and tertiary prevention and share examples of effective models for such collaboration.

Key questions to be addressed include:

- How can national and local actors better coordinate and share information in identifying and supporting individuals at risk, while respecting fundamental human rights?
- What models and mechanisms are being used to deliver secondary and tertiary prevention effectively?
- How can governments ensure that interventions are rights-based, proportional and community-centred?
- What role can cities play in shaping sustainable reintegration and disengagement frameworks?
- What lessons can be drawn from international practice to strengthen cooperation?

The webinar will also include an **interactive Q&A session**, offering participants the chance to engage directly with speakers and peers.

The 90-minute session will be hosted on Zoom in English.

Intended Participants

This webinar is designed for local and central government officials, law enforcement, mental health and social service practitioners and partners working on prevention, intervention and/or rehabilitation and reintegration, as well as those engaged in designing and implementing national frameworks for countering violent extremism and strengthening social cohesion.

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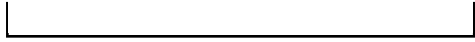
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About Strong Cities

Launched in September 2015, Strong Cities is an independent global network of more than 275 cities and local governments across 70 countries dedicated to addressing hate, violent extremism and polarisation, and building social cohesion. Hosted by the [Institute for Strategic Dialogue](#), the Network facilitates sharing and learning among mayors and local leaders on how to tackle some of the most pressing challenges facing cities today. Through peer learning, the Network seeks to unlock the full potential of local governments and cities more broadly in prevention and incident response, with a focus on multi-actor and whole-of-society frameworks and approaches that leverage existing resources and assets. The Network also works to amplify the voices of cities and local leaders at the national and international levels so that national and global policies to mitigate rising levels of hate, extremism and polarisation – often fuelled or exacerbated by mis/disinformation and conspiracy narratives – are informed by those closest to the ground. Learn more about the Network's mission, approach and engagement philosophy [here](#)