



## **10 Benchmarks for a Comprehensive Response to Violent Extremism**

Thought Leadership from *Towards a Global Consensus - Stop Violent Extremism!*

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*We urge:*

- (1) All leaders to have a genuine commitment to open and accountable government, and respecting the rights of minorities.
- (2) Political leaders to ensure that every individual, group and community has equal access to opportunity.
- (3) Religious leaders to serve as role models and engage with disenfranchised youth.
- (4) Educators to promote meaningful employment, human wellbeing, the empowerment of women, as well as tolerance and pluralism.
- (5) Governments, civil society and the private sector to adopt online strategies that encourage free expression while challenging extremist ideologies.
- (6) Governments to introduce well funded national prevention strategies and collaborate internationally.
- (7) All leaders to renew their commitment to conflict resolution.
- (8) All leaders to engage in genuine regional dialogue and cooperation.
- (9) Political leaders to make sure that security measures are lawful, balanced, and foster peaceful and cohesive societies in the long-term.
- (10) All leaders to act with courage and credibility, and practise what they preach.

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