

## Dr Alastair Reed



Dr. Alastair Reed is an Associate Professor at Delft University of Technology (TU Delft) in the Hague. Prior to joining the Ethics of Counter-Terrorism project team, Dr Reed was the Director of the International Centre for Counter-Terrorism (ICCT) in the Hague, and a Senior Researcher at Leiden University's Institute of Security and Global Affairs (ISGA). An expert in (Counter) Terrorism and Insurgency, he has provided policy advice and training to a wide range of government and international organizations. He has a strong background in grass roots field research in conflict affected areas, with a particular regional focus on South and Southeast Asia. He completed his doctorate research at Utrecht University, focused on understanding the processes of escalation and de-escalation in Ethnic Separatist conflicts in India and the Philippines. Prior to this he worked for eight years as a policy advisor and campaign manager in the UK. Since 2017, he has been a member of the Advisory Board for Europol's European Counter-Terrorism Centre (ECTC).

His main research interests are foreign fighters, radicalization, terrorist and insurgent strategy, propaganda and strategic communications. His current area of focus is on understanding and responding to terrorist propaganda, for which leads the Counter-Terrorism Strategic Communications project ([@CTSC Project](#)) - a collaborative research project that has brought together top researchers in the field from across the world. He is also an Associate Fellow at the Kings' Centre for Strategic Communications (KCSC) at Kings' College London in the department of War Studies.

### Education

#### **Utrecht University, The Netherlands**

PhD research: Investigating the dynamics of escalation and de-escalation of violence in irregular conflicts in India and the Philippines.

#### **Leiden University, The Netherlands,**

MA Political Science , (Cum Laude/Distinction)

#### **University of Glasgow, UK,**

M.Sci Physics and Philosophy, (2:1)(Combined Msc and Bsc)

### Key Publications

Reed, A. and Dowling, J. "The Role of Historical Narratives in Extremist Propaganda", NATO Defence Strategic Communications Journal, (forth coming autumn 2018)

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