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Why Do They Quit?

Disengaging from Terrorism & Lessons from the Turkish Penitents

Dr. Kamil Yilmaz, Turkish National Police Academy, Ankara



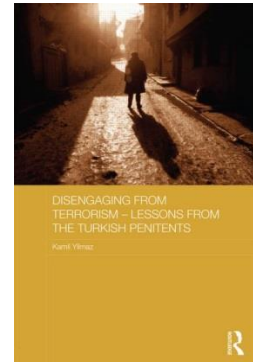
Kamil Yilmaz

On July 18th, 2014, TraCCC will host a talk by Dr. Kamil Yilmaz, who will discuss his recently published book in the TraCCC book series, *Disengaging from Terrorism: Lessons from the Turkish Penitents* (Routledge, 2014).

Disengaging from Terrorism examines what motivated individuals to terrorism, how they participate, why they become disillusioned, and the difficult process of disengagement from both the PKK and leftist terrorist groups. It also discusses how individuals can be encouraged to move away from terrorism, and how states can construct repentance mechanisms and protection mechanisms to assist with this.

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Introduction given by Dr. Louise Shelley, University Professor and Director of TraCCC

Date: Friday, July 18th, 2014, 12:00-1:30pm

Location: Room TBA, Founders Hall
3351 Fairfax Drive
Arlington, VA 22201
(Virginia Square Metro Stop)

Attendees are welcome to bring lunch; beverages will be provided

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