

Event Safety, Security, Crowd Safety and Counter Terrorism Risk Management Training & Consultancy



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EVENT COUNTER TERRORISM RISK MANAGEMENT, (EV CTRM)

Dear FSOA Member, we are delighted to have recently become Corporate Members of the FSOA and look forward to meeting those of you we have yet to come across. We are hoping to attend your next event in March, please feel free to search us out and say hello.

This letter is by way of an introduction to what we do by outlining the next course to come online. If you wish to know any more about us please visit the website or call me or Garry on the numbers below.

Following the recent escalation of event related attacks worldwide and throughout Europe the requirement for qualified and competent Counter Terrorism Risk Managers has never been more relevant to the industry. As FSOA Members we are pleased to offer to you an opportunity to attend the first Event Counter Terrorism Risk Management Course in the UK at a significant discounted rate.

This course has been developed to address the need within the Industry posed by the current and future risks of terrorism and associated threats and will be delivered by Steve Blake with his in-depth knowledge and experience of the events and security industry who contextualises the delivery from Garry Jones and Phil Boardman. Garry and Phil are the only trainers in the UK delivering the UK Police Counter Terrorism Security Coordinators course on behalf of the College of Policing.

The course is aimed at those who undertake safety and security planning and / or management at events, within crowded places, or who belong to stakeholder groups involved with the safety planning and management process. Open to Safety Officers, Security Managers, Crowd Managers, Local Authorities, Safety Advisory Group Members and Corporate entities.

Counter Terrorism Planning is now considered part of the event planning process and the Sports Ground Safety Authority (SGSA) has developed in partnership with NaCTSO a set of guidance. It goes without saying that although this applies to the licencing of Sports Grounds it bears as relevance to all events and crowded places. Much of this has already been muted by Safety Advisory Groups, Local Authorities and Police Forces with regards to the planning of various non-sports ground events and it should already have been on the agenda of every event safety / security management team throughout the industry.

Sports Ground Safety Authority (SGSA) revised meaning of "safety at a sports grounds" is now;

Safety is a broad term protecting people at sports for an event against the dangers of physical harm or injury arising from being present.

This includes; 1) protecting all people present not just spectators, 2) crowd disorder and anti-social behaviour likely to cause physical harm or injury, 3) protecting people from terrorist threat or attack.



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Further the following now applies as far as licencing is concerned. Counter Terrorism actions required by Local Authorities;

- 1) Ensure counter terrorism plan is in place, 2) Consider use of conditions to ensure safety at ground, 3) Ensure suitable expert advice is available, 4) Understand who is who (NaCTSO; MI5; CPNI), 5) Understand threat levels and response levels, 6) Consider how to use sensitive information.

Counter Terrorism actions required by Sports Grounds

- 1) Grounds should have a counter terrorism plan in place, 2) Grounds are advised to use NaCTSO "Crowded Places" guidance to help form their plans, 3) Any inspections by SecCo or CTSA to inform plan, 4) Understand who is who (NaCTSO; MI5; CPNI), 5) Understand threat levels and response levels, 6) Consideration of sensitive information.

Within the industry in general there is a significant skills gap that has been recognised, that despite the requirement for Counter Terrorism Risk Managers and planning there are very few private sector individuals that can be considered as competent in Counter Terrorism Risk / Threat Assessment and Management. The Police are currently under resourced and cannot be expected to have an input on every event in the UK. The Police SecCo role is rarely involved other than Major Events and the event organisers still have the responsibility the same laws concerning risk management, assessment, implementation and monitoring which apply in the same way they always have, as does the organisers 'Duty of Care'. What has changed is the fact that the 'reasonably foreseeable' element of the 'duty of care' (as far as the risk of a terrorist threat to UK events is concerned) is now undeniable and how the current regulations can be interpreted in relation to the use and competency of the 'Competent persons' for Counter Terrorism Risk Management for Events.

This course has been developed by Garry Jones and Steve Blake to train the private sector and to bridge the skills gap between event safety / security and the role of the Police SecCo.

Garry Jones has 30 years, extensive Police Service and an in-depth experience of managing and delivering High Risk Events, Contingency and Emergency Planning. He is trained in Counter Terrorism Security Coordination with significant practical experience in the production of Security Plans for high risk events e.g. Protected visits (Ministerial and Royalty); Protected routes (Olympic Torch Relay 2012, NATO 2014) and protected sites (NATO Summit 2014, Welsh Parliament 2016, Champions League 2017). He is a Trainer, Assessor and Internal Quality Auditor, being Lead Assessor/Course Director for the UK Police Counter Terrorism Security Coordinator (CT SecCo) training since 2012 including delivery to UK and International Police Forces, Military and FCO. He has trained more than 300 of the UK Police CT SecCos (in excess of 80 percent of all operational police CT SecCos within the UK). Developed and completed the Counter Terrorism Cyber SecCo Security Plan for the NATO Summit 2014 & Champions League Final 2017.



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This is a challenging and intensive 5-day course requiring delegates to pass a final exam, submit a EvCTRM report and interview, before gaining occupational competence.

Once competence is gained, then individuals can be added to the national register of Event Counter Terrorism Risk Managers for commissioned work either nationally or internationally.

The outcome of the course is;

"To improve individuals' knowledge and understanding of protective security tactical options and the implementation of proportionate and rationalised mitigation for events."

The first EvCTRM Course will be between 26th Feb and 2nd March 2018 at The Fire Service College, London Road, Moreton-in-Marsh Gloucestershire, GL56 ORH.

The cost of course the First Event Counter Terrorism Course being offered to FSOA Members is (a one time) £950.00 (Normally£ 1950).

Please find the brochure and booking form for the course attached to the e-mail.

Please note there are limited places on each course and we would suggest that you book as soon as possible to secure your place at this price.

On site accommodation is available to all candidates at £80.00 per night Bed, Breakfast Lunch and Evening Meal inclusive.

Kind Regards

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