

# Preventing & Countering Violent Extremism 2022

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## Tuesday 29.11. Schedule

Conference room:  
Discover I-II 3.rd floor

- 9:00 Doors open, coffee and light breakfast
- 9:30 Welcoming Speech by SC Finland Secretary General Hanna Markkula-Kivisilta
- 9:50 Panel: SC Sweden and SC Finland presenting ongoing P/CVE projects
- 10:50 Coffee break
- 11:00 Lasse Josephsen: Norwegian Acceleration: The Children Who Worship Anders Behring Breivik and Philip Manshaus Online
- 12:00 Aya Winssi: Racism in the gaming world: a place where racism is normalized
- 13:00 Lunch
- 14:00 Gwenaëlle Bauvois: Emotionalised Mobilisation: Strategic Use of Emotional Narratives by the Radical Right
- 15:00 Coffee service
- 15:30 End of the conference

# Lasse Josephsen

## Norwegian Acceleration: The Children Who Worship Anders Behring Breivik and Philip Manshaus Online

Josephsens presentation will show how the so-called accelerationists have built a violent subculture based on Anders Behring Breivik's deadly terrorist attack in 2011, radicalizing young people into what amounts to a terroristic death cult.

Josephsen is a freelance journalist specializing in web-based right-wing extremism. He is currently writing a book about incels. Josephsen has appeared in *Surrounded by Enemies* on Viaplay and worked as a consultant to drama series like *Furia* and *Everything You Love*.



# Aya Winssi

## Racism in the gaming world: a place where racism is normalized

With the increase of digital gaming amongst youth, a new platform has made it possible for socializing and connecting with people all over the world. In the era of digitalization, the landscape of gaming and its forms has changed how we interact online. However, what happens when our way of speaking and interacting now can be protected by a screen, and how does this translate in a society with a growing movement of radicalization and extremism? In this presentation you will hear experiences and stories from youths in Sweden that have experienced racism online and how this has affected their interest and motivation to continue with gaming.



Aya Winssi is a project leader for Sverok and has led the pilot study on racism in the gaming world amongst youth and shared their experiences through a report on the normalization of racism online. Sverok is one of the largest youth organizations in Sweden with around 43 000 members in 1700 clubs and associations around the country.

# Gwenaëlle Bauvois

## Emotionalised Mobilisation Strategic Use of Emotional Narratives by the Radical Right

In different national contexts, the radical right is adopting emotional narratives in order to enhance mobilisation and bolster support, especially online. Emotions - such as fear, anger and resentment but also shame and pride - have a powerful mobilising potential. This presentation will explore how the radical right strategically constructs and exploits these emotions and also how they play a role in creating affective solidarity within online communities.



Gwenaëlle Bauvois holds a PhD in sociology and works as a researcher at the University of Helsinki. In her former and current projects - on the national and European level - she has conducted research on e.g. conspiracies in electoral times; countermedia practices, anti immigration movements (Soldiers on Odin, 'Finland First' and 'Close the borders'), the Yellow Vests and the anti-vaxx movements in Finland. In the upcoming EU project Analysis and Responses to Extremist Narratives, she will explore the circulation of extreme narratives in the media.

Her work has been published internationally e.g. in Emotions and Society, Sociological Inquiry, and Discourse, Context & Media. Her latest contribution will be published in the book Europe in the Age of Post-Truth Politics. Populism, Disinformation and the Public Sphere (Palgrave).

She teaches Master level courses on populist mobilisation, media and polarisation at the University of Helsinki. She is a member of RAN (Radicalisation Awareness Network, EU Commission).