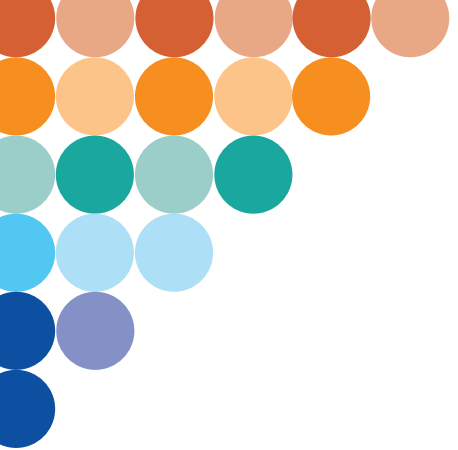




Call for Applications

Ad-hoc Meeting on Online Radicalisation
and Disinformation in the Western Balkans

11–12 September 2025
Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

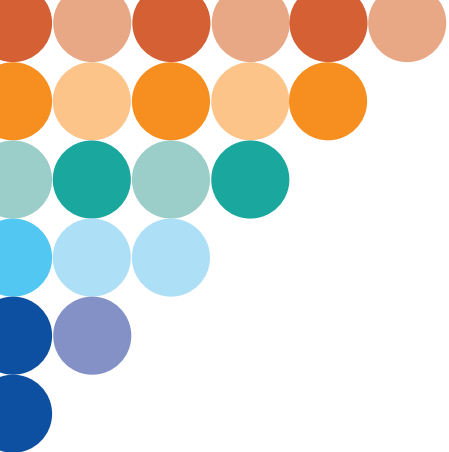
Organised by the EU Knowledge Hub on Prevention of Radicalisation – Western Balkan Activities

The EU Knowledge Hub on Prevention of Radicalisation plays a pivotal role in supporting regional efforts to counter violent extremism across the Western Balkans. Through a range of targeted initiatives, the EUKH fosters dialogue, strengthens capacity building, and facilitates policy coordination. It promotes alignment with EU frameworks, enhances local resilience, and deepens cooperation.

Background

A dangerous mix of **online radicalisation and disinformation** is increasingly targeting the Western Balkans. From influence-driven extremist content to unchecked hate speech in local languages, the region faces growing vulnerabilities. Governments, civil society, and tech platforms must act swiftly and collaboratively to counter these threats.

This ad-hoc meeting will bring together key stakeholders to explore the evolving nexus between radicalisation and disinformation, and to co-develop actionable strategies for resilience and response.



Objectives

Participants will engage in four interactive sessions—expert panels to:

- Analyse current trends and vulnerabilities in the Western Balkans
- Explore hybrid narratives linking radicalisation and disinformation
- Assess government responses and identify gaps
- Define urgent capacity-building needs
- Discuss platform accountability and content moderation
- Align regional efforts with EU frameworks such as the Digital Services Act (DSA) and the Terrorist Content Online regulation

Who Should Apply

We invite applications from **practitioners and experts** from the Western Balkans working in the field of online radicalisation, including:

- First-line practitioners
- Researchers and academics
- Civil society representatives
- Professionals from high-tech companies and digital platforms

Applicants should have demonstrable experience or active engagement in countering online radicalisation and/or disinformation.



How to Apply

The Call for participants to the Ad Hoc Meeting on “**Online Radicalisation and Disinformation in the Western Balkans**” closes on **15 August 2025 EOB**.

1. To be eligible to attend this and future meetings, participants must register in the KH database: **EU Knowledge Hub Database Registration**
2. After the registration in the KH database, candidates who are interested should complete the application form and submit the required documents before the deadline through the following link: **Ad-hoc meeting in Western Balkans – Registration**.

For further information or inquiries, contact **eukh@ntu.eu**
Travel and accommodation will be covered by the organisers.

