



# AETAP's 16<sup>th</sup> CONFERENCE & WORKSHOP DAY Lugano 07.-10.04.25

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AETAP is an international non-profit organization aimed at promoting threat assessment and management as a means of preventing targeted and interpersonal violence, including femicide, violent extremism, and threats against institutions and public figures, among others. Since 2008, it has been organizing an annual international conference to showcase new research, intervention strategies in threat assessment and management, recent case studies, and to provide ongoing education and networking opportunities for professionals in the field.



# 16th AETAP Conference Lugano, Switzerland Workshop Day 07 April 2025 Conference 08-10 April 2025

In recent years, professionals dedicated to preventing targeted and predatory violence have recognized an increasing demand for the latest information on threat assessment and management across Europe. Representatives from law enforcement, private security, law, victim support, forensic and clinical psychology and psychiatry, as well as academics, have emphasized the importance of networking to facilitate trans-European information exchange.

Join us to network, stay updated on global threat assessment and management, and connect with leading experts in the field. This conference is a must-attend for those involved in security management, the prevention of targeted violence, violence risk assessment, threat management, and anyone interested in networking throughout Europe.

## ASSOCIATIONS







## Conference and workshop day location

Università della Svizzera italiana,  
Via Buffi 13, 6900 Lugano,  
Switzerland

## Registration and payment

You can purchase tickets online at [www.aetap.eu/next-conference](http://www.aetap.eu/next-conference)  
Payment should be made via PayPal  
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## Lunches & coffee breaks

AETAP provides coffee breaks and lunches  
during the seminar and workshop.

## Conference badges

Name badges supplied by AETAP should be  
worn to all events.

## Conference languages

The primary language for conference  
presentations will be English. Professional  
translation services in Italian, French, and/or  
German will be provided based on the languages  
and the number of non-English-speaking  
participants.

## Conference dinner

On the top of Monte San Salvatore.

## Contact

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## Conference fees (excluding workshop day)

### Members

[AETAP, APATAP, ATAP, CATAP,  
AFATAP and ALATAP]  
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### Non-members

**810€**

## Free attendance for speakers\*\*

### Students\*\*

[below 30 years of age]  
**250€**

\*\*Conference dinner (Tuesday  
evening) not included.

## Conference dinner (Tuesday)

Additional guests / speakers /  
students  
**95€**

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## Workshop day (Monday)

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# WORKSHOP AND CONFERENCE SCHEDULE 2025

## Monday 07 April 2025 - Workshop day

### Foundations of threat assessment and management

#### Track 1

08.00-09.00

#### REGISTRATION

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Switzerland

09.00-10.30

Foundations of threat assessment and management

**Karoline Roshdi [DE]**

10.30-11.00

Coffee / tea

11.00-12.30

Gathering information for threat assessment and interview techniques

**Bram van der Meer [NL]**

12.30-13.30

Lunch

13.30-15.00

Domestic violence and Stalking

**Lieke Bootsma [NL]**

15.00-15.30

Coffee / tea

15.30-17.00

Threat management – what to do after the analysis

**Totti Karpela [FIN]**

### Advanced training day

#### Track 2

08.00-09.00

#### REGISTRATION

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Switzerland

09.00-10.30

The role of mental health in threat assessment / targeted violence

**Caroline Logan (UK)**

10.30-11.00

Coffee / tea

11.00-12.30

The role of mental health in threat assessment / targeted violence

**Caroline Logan (UK)**

12.30-13.30

Lunch

13.30-17.00

Mental health of threat assessment professionals - Mental check-up: strengthening resilience

**Mirte Heringa [NL] and Anne Winters [NL]**

18.00-18.45

Welcome drinks

**Asilo Ciani, Viale Carlo Cattaneo 5, 6900 Lugano**

## Tuesday 08 April 2025 - AETAP Conference

08.00-09.00

#### REGISTRATION

Università della Svizzera italiana, Via Buffi 13, 6900 Lugano, Switzerland

09.00-09.45

Opening of the conference

**Raoul Jacard [CH] / Norman Gobbi [CH] / Colonel Matteo Cocchi [CH]**

09.45-10.30

Radicalization and attempted assassination: the case of Lugano  
**Jacques Brilli [CH] and Mattia Prospero [CH]**

10.30-11.00 - Coffee / tea

11.00-11.45

Organised crime: guiding principles for threat assessment professionals  
**Caroline Logan [UK]**

11.45-12.30

Interviews with UK terrorism act offenders  
**Paul Gill [UK]**

12.30-13.30 - Lunch

13.30-14.15

The Evolution of threat management units within Swiss police forces

**Reinhard Brunner [CH], Stefan Aegerter [CH] and Claudia Grande [CH]**

14.15-15.00

10 years on the road – successful risk management in Canton Zürich (Swiss) and future steps

**Ellen Harbers [DE] / May Beyli [CH]**

15.00-15.30

Coffee / tea

15.30-16.15

Getting ahead of the situation – requirements for the development of threat assessment in police threat management

**Lena Deller-Wessels [DE]**

16.15-17.00

We didn't start the fire. The link between altruistic suicide and targeted violence: a case study

**Heather Morris [US] and Morgan Cebula [US]**

14.30-14.15

Decoding terrorism: an interdisciplinary approach to a lone-actor case

**Marcus Papadopoulos [US] and Julia Kupper [DE]**

14.15-15.00

Behavioral threat assessment through the lens of warning intelligence

**Ted Baggson [US]**

15.00-15.30

Coffee / tea

15.30-16.15

Investigation: the foundation of threat assessment and risk management

**Bram van der Meer [NL] and Chuck Tobin [US]**

16.15-17.00

The importance of good & verified intelligence in managing a stalking case from a private security perspective

**Niall Burns [UK] / Tony Crampton [UK] / Joe Dalu [US]**

**AETAP Dinner**

On the top of Monte San Salvatore

## Wednesday 09 April 2025

08.00-09.00

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09.00-09.45

Language use and threat assessment  
**Isabelle van der Vegt [NL] and Bram Sizoo [NL]**

09.45-10.30

Unpacking the relationship between domestic abuse and violent extremism  
**Caitlin Clemmow [UK]**

10.30-11.00 - Coffee / tea

11.00-11.45

Soul wounding: Unpacking the relevance of war, trauma, & moral injury in behavioral threat assessment and management  
**Lynn van Male [US] and Totti Karpela [FI]**

11.45-12.30

Comprehensive safety assessment and planning for threat assessment professionals  
**Kelly Watt [CA]**

12.30-13.30 - Lunch

13.30-14.15

Case study on a threatening case with a querulous offender posing a risk  
**Pascal Michel [DE]**

14.15-15.00

Perpetrator assessment in the case of anonymous threatening letters by the Hessian police  
**Sarah Bering [DE] and Lena Schlempp-Kasimir [DE]**

15.00-15.30

Coffee / tea

15.30-16.15

That which we do not know: managing autism and threat  
**Stephanie Leite [US]**

16.15-17.00

The journey from hindsight to foresight: how behavioral threat assessment and management disrupted terrorism and a potential school tragedy  
**Bruno Dias [US]**

17.00-17.30

**AETAP General Meeting**

13.30-14.15

Domestic Violence and the Pyramid project  
**Marina Lang [CH] / Cinzia Campello [CH] / Karin Valenzano Rossi [CH]**

14.15-15.00

Working towards a unified approach to risk assessment in intimate partner violence  
**Sophie Wouters [BE]**

15.00-15.30

Coffee / tea

15.30-16.15

The pathway to support: mental health's professional role in preventing targeted violence  
**Joseph E. Holifield [US]**

16.15-17.00

Caring for the sentinels: addressing stress, trauma and betrayal among threat assessment professionals  
**Gene Deisinger [US] and Jeff Cugno [US]**

## Thursday 10 April 2025

08.00-09.00

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09.00-10.30

Violence risk assessment of youth  
**Stephen Hart [CA]**

10.30-11.00 - Coffee / tea

11.00-11.45

Strengthening the relationship between security and HR - practical tools for reducing risk and increasing safety in our workspaces  
**Melissa Muir [US]**

11.45-12.30

Managing threat: hard problems, hard answers  
**Kostas Katsavdakakis [US]**

12.30-13.30 - Lunch

13.30-15.00

Corporate threat assessment and management exchange session

Facilitated by  
**Claudia Brandkamp [DE] and Ibrahim Karakus [DE]**

13.30-15.00

Exchange session on threat assessment and management for law enforcement: group juvenile violence

Facilitated by  
**Pippa Gregory [UK] and Stephen Hart [CA]**

13.30-15.00

Exchange session for academics active in or interested in research on threat assessment and management (to be confirmed)

Facilitated by  
**Paul Gill [UK]**

15.00-15.15 - Conference closing remarks

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