

**The Terrorism, Transnational Crime and Corruption Center (TraCCC)**  
at George Mason University's School of Public Policy  
**PRESENTS**

**The Nature, State and Capacity to Address Illicit Trade in  
Tajikistan and its Effect on (In)Security in Central Asia**

**Tuesday, 22 February 2011**

**9:30am-3:30pm**

**Room 125**

**3351 Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22201**

**Event Program:**

- 9:30-10:00                    **Registration**
- 10:00-10:30                  **Opening Remarks: Dr. Edward Rhodes, Dean, George Mason University's School of Public Policy**
- 10:30-12:15                  **Actors and the Stage: The State of Tajikistan Today**
- **Dr. Louise Shelley, TraCCC Founding Director and George Mason University Professor, *Past as Prologue: Is Tajikistan Really a Sovereign State?***
  - **Dr. Kimberley Thachuk, *Corruption and Cronyism: Government Links to Illicit Trade in Tajikistan: What Forces Influence President Rakhmon's Leadership?***
  - **Ms. Karen Saunders, TraCCC Researcher, *Radical Groups in Tajikistan***
- Discussion***
- 12:15-1:30                    **Lunch and Networking**
- 1:30-3:15                     **Terror and Crime: A Nexus or Just Convergences of Opportunity?**
- **Dr. Aleko Kupatadze, Visiting Scholar, The George Washington University, *Security Relations between Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan***
  - **Dr. Alisher Latypov, TraCCC Researcher in Central Asia, *Drug Trafficking and Regional Security***
  - **Mr. Ashraf Haidari, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Afghanistan, *How the Security Situation in Afghanistan is Only Part of a larger Regional Dynamic***
- Discussion***
- 3:15pm                         **Closing Remarks**

This event is **FREE** and open to the public but seating is limited.  
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