

## Question 8: The Far-Right Global movement: What is there to know?

The threat posed by the Global Far-Right movement has grown exponentially in the last decade. This threat has been particularly pronounced in Europe and the United States, but is also significant elsewhere, such as in Australia, Israel, Japan, India and New Zealand, as the 15 March 2019's Christchurch attack underlined. Yet the Far-Right movement remains nebulous and poorly understood. This lecture examines the key characteristics of this movement, its main manifestations and queries what structural changes have contributed to its recent reinvigoration.

### *Discussion questions*

1. What are the main differences between the Salafi-Jihadist and the Far-Right movements?
2. What is the driving ideology of the Far-Right movement?
3. Is the Far-Right movement a vital threat to the Western way of life?

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