

Extremism and terrorism – a webinar report



As revealed in our previous newsletter, Resilience First held a webinar on 9 September on the topic of ‘Preparing to mitigate extremism and terrorism’. A full report can be found [here](#).

Two key messages emerged. One was directed at businesses to keep a watchful eye open for disgruntled employees at work (including those working from home) who show signs of radicalisation. This may avoid subsequent claims of not acting soon enough should an incident occur.

The other message was for companies to consider the broader push factors for a wider extremist-focused landscape which are: lack of prospects, socio-political marginalisation, and economic vulnerability. The notions of both alienation (not belonging to society) and disgruntlement (with fewer personal opportunities in life) are likely to grow on the back of Covid-19. The outcome from the ‘have nots’ may be expressed and thrive in a variety of violent, criminal acts including extremism.

See also Resilience First’s news item on this subject [here](#).