



Expert Group Meeting on Addressing Technology-Facilitated Sexual and Gender-Based Violence Linked to Terrorism

Palais des Nations, Geneva, 12 May 2026

Building A, Room XV

Agenda

9:00 – 9:30 **Arrival and registration of participants**

9:30 – 9:45 **Opening remarks**

H.E. Ambassador Thomas Gürber, *Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the United Nations and the other international organisations in Geneva*

09:45 – 10:00 **Introduction and tour de table**

10:00 – 11:15 **First Session: Unpacking TFSGBV and its links to terrorism and violent extremism**

Objectives:

- Developing a better understanding of what constitutes TFSGBV and its links to terrorism/violent extremism
- Exploring the relationship between TFSGBV and other forms of gendered harms online
- Identifying any gaps or challenges in the analysis of the phenomenon

Questions

- What forms does TFSGBV take?
- How does TFSGBV relate to broader forms of online misogyny? How do both phenomena link to terrorism and violent extremism?
- What is the role of artificial intelligence in creating new forms of TFSGBV?
- What are the key research gaps that need to be filled?

11:15-11:30 **Coffee break**

11:30-12:30 **Second Session: Understanding actors, technologies and impacts**

Objectives

- Examining how different actors use TFSGBV across contexts, regions and technologies
- Understanding the impacts of TFSGBV on victims/survivors and their communities

Questions

- What typologies of perpetrators and networks can be identified?
- What tools and platforms are being used and how (social media, encrypted messaging apps, gaming platforms etc.)?
- What are the online and offline consequences of these types of harm?
- How does this type of violence manifest itself across different geographical regions and across the ideological spectrum of violent extremism?
- What are the key challenges in monitoring and reporting?

12:30 - 1:30 **Lunch**

1:30 - 2:30 **Third Session: Relevant legal and policy frameworks**

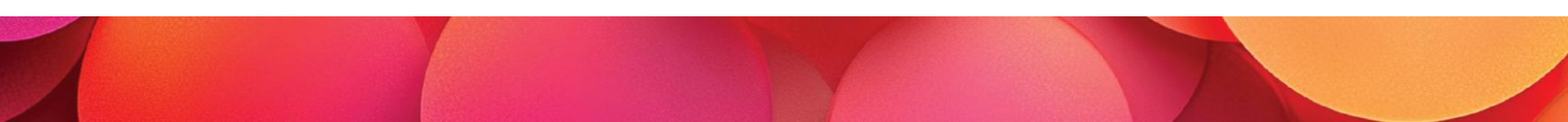
Objectives:

- Mapping of existing legal provisions in different national contexts
- Identifying key legislative and policy gaps

Questions:

- How do national laws and international legal instruments define and criminalize TFSGBV in the context of terrorism, and what are the legal and policy gaps?
- What are the challenges associated with investigating TFSGBV linked to terrorism, including legal and practical considerations, and evidentiary and procedural standards?
- What are some of the promising and emerging practices?

2:30-2:45 **Coffee break**



2:45-4:15

Fourth Session: Prevention and response to TFSGBV linked to terrorism

Objectives:

- Identify best practices and approaches for gender-responsive and human rights compliant prevention
- Discuss ways to improve reporting mechanisms and assistance to victims
- Identify key areas for training and capacity building

Questions:

- What are the main gaps in services for survivors of TFSGBV in terrorism contexts?
- What is the role of tech companies in prevention and response?
- How can digital safety and data protection be enhanced? How can reporting mechanisms be strengthened?

4:15-4:30

Conclusions and next steps

Objectives:

- Summarize key recommendations and priority areas where further research, policy guidance, and technical assistance are needed

