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David Zimmermann

Providing understanding in order to impact change.



David Zimmermann is a retired FBI Special Agent and counterterrorism expert.

A 1992 U.S. Naval Academy graduate, he rose to Captain as a Marine Corps F/A-18D Weapons and Sensors Officer. He then served as an International Space Station flight controller at NASA's Johnson Space Center.

Appointed an FBI Special Agent in 1999, he spent 14 years working counterterrorism in two field offices, where he was a certified SWAT operator and Crisis Management team member. In 2013 he was promoted to Assistant Legal Attaché (ALAT) in London, working counterterrorism with British and Irish partners, and earned an MA in Terrorism, Security, and Society with high merit from King's College London (KCL).

Promoted again in 2020, he became ALAT in Tel Aviv. From October 2023 to July 2024, in coordination with American and Israeli partners, he led the FBI's Israel-based wartime efforts to seek the release/return of 255 hostages held by Hamas. He retired in July 2024 after receiving dozens of awards and commendations and founded two consulting firms.

He currently is a Visiting Senior Research Fellow in the War Studies Department at KCL and a Fellow at the Institute for Counter Terrorism at Reichman University.

SPEAKING TOPICS

- **October 7th and its Aftermath: A Personal Perspective from an FBI Agent on the Ground**
- **The Rising Trend of Global Antisemitism Since October 7, 2023**
- **Open Source Intelligence in Counterterrorism**

> I was privileged to be in the audience, can attest to all it was a major highlight of the conference! Senior Intelligence Officer, Leadership in Counterterrorism Alumni Association meeting, Dublin, Ireland (2025)

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