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## **The launching of the Arabic version of the OSCE Handbook**

The General Secretariat of the League of Arab States (International Political Affairs Sector - Europe and Arab- European Cooperation Department) organized the launching of the Arabic version of the OSCE Handbook on “Understanding the Role of Gender in Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism and Radicalization that Lead to Terrorism – Good Practices for Law Enforcement” on Monday, 17/2/2020 at LAS Headquarters. This event comes within the framework of cooperation between the General Secretariat of the League of Arab States (LAS) and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE).

The Event was chaired jointly by the Republic of Iraq - the current Chairman of the Council of the League of Arab States at the Ministerial level and the Republic of Albania - the current Chairman of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe. Delegates from LAS Member States participated in the event, in addition to some representatives of some European embassies in Cairo (Albania, Sweden, Italy, Norway), as well as, a group of international experts, such as experts from the OSCE, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women) and the International Centre for Counter-Terrorism.

The book, which was produced by the Action against Terrorism Unit in the OSCE Secretariat’s Transnational Threats Department, aims at supporting and increasing gender-sensitive responses and policies. The book provides guidance to law enforcement and security actors, including policymakers, on how to better understand gender dynamics in the field of Countering and Preventing Violent Extremism and Radicalization that Lead to Terrorism by providing the States with the necessary tools in order to enhance their capacity and efficiency.