RADICALIZATION PROBLEMS TODAY IN DENMARK

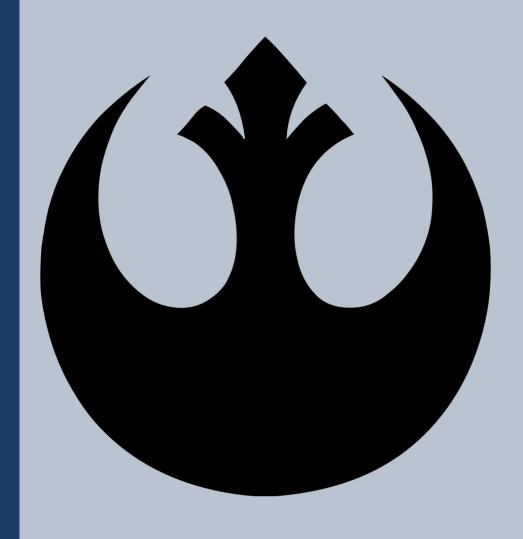
ARE THERE BIG RADICALIZATION PROBLEMS?

In Denmark there are not many cases of violent extremism. There has only been a few incidents in the last many years. One of the cases was, In August 2007. A 38-year-old man encouraged others to set fire to Lars Løkke Rasmussen's house. This is first of all violent and it was a big statement, because Løkke is Denmark's prime minister. Løkke is a right-winged politician, but he is still a target for the right-winged extremists.



RIGHT-WING EXTREMIST

The right-wing extremist environment today is characterised by two elements, each of which is characterised by particular ideological, political and organisational features. Right-wing extremist element involves national socialist groups that are anti-democratic, anti-Semitic and racist. Like the last mentioned case, the Danish right-wing extremist environments are willing to use violent methods as part of their political battle, and support the use of such methods.





TERROR

A main reason for terror in Denmark is that emigrants do not feel welcome and are not integrated in society. Extreme Islamism in Denmark has a lot to do with global Islamism and is influenced by violent conflicts in other countries. FX, the movie The Warriors From the North, is focusing on the immigrants, who come to Denmark, and are influenced to fight 'for' Somali by the terror group Al-Shabaab. One of the main-persons, lives a normal life in Denmark, until he finds a group of friends, who also feels distanced to the Danish community. The boys started watching You-Tube videos about Al-Shabaab, and they got very interested. They felt like they had found purpose in life. They wanted to join the group, so they did. Their involvement in Al-Shabaab group made them violent extremists. This is a common thing, that happens when speaking about terror groups.