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Emmanuel Reinert is the Executive Director of ICOS, a policy think tank working to combine grassroots research and policy innovation at the intersections of security, development, counter-narcotics and public health issues, with offices in Kabul, London, Rio de Janeiro, Brussels and Paris.

The Council provides innovative analysis and recommendations on the connections between foreign policy, security, development and counter-narcotics policies. It convenes politicians, high profile academics, independent experts and NGOs in order to accomplish its mission. It aims to work as the dialogue partner with senior policy-makers at the national and international levels in order to foster high-level exchanges and new ideas on bridging security, development and counter-narcotics policies.

In his role as Executive Director, for the past five years Mr Reinert has led international campaigns focusing on counter-narcotics and security issues and provided innovative analysis on these topics. Within his work for ICOS, Mr Reinert has been pivotal in establishing its European network, developing the Council's Poppy for Medicine initiative which was officially endorsed by the European Parliament in 2007, and setting up its work in Brazil on public security.

Mr Reinert holds a Diploma in Political Science and MA in International Private Law and European Union Law. Mr Reinert's expertise on counter-narcotics and security issues has put him in a position to give several keynote addresses to prestigious international security conferences at such venues as the Royal United Services Institute (RUSI) and the International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS). He has also conducted interviews with major international media such as BBC, CNN and Al Jazeera.

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