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Ema Blatancic is the Senior Forensic Psychologist and Clinical Lead of Victoria Police's Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) Unit. She has over 10 years' experience in the assessment and treatment of young people within the criminal justice system, with research achievements focused on adult and adolescent serious mental illness and its relationship to violent behaviour.

Previously, Ema worked in the Service
Enhancement team supporting the Victorian
Fixated Threat Assessment Centre (VFTAC) and
presented at the Asia Pacific Association of Threat
Assessment Professionals (APATAP) Conference on
assessing and treating fixated threat and
grievance-fuelled violence. She served on the
working group and steering committee that
established the Countering Violent Extremism
Multi-Agency Panel (CVEMAP) in 2022. Ema also
developed the first bespoke CVE Case Management
Framework and Model implemented by Victoria
Police's CVE Unit in 2024.

A REVIEW OF NEURODIVERSITY WITHIN VICTORIA'S TERRORISM CONTEXT

Ema will present on the findings of a project to explore and address the increasing prevalence of neurodiversity within the Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) and broader Counter Terrorism Command (CTC) cohort. This session will cover the varying vulnerabilities that may lead to radicalisation towards violent extremism.