

and undergo military training in order to take on vastly superior military forces and inflict serious damage on enemy armies?

These questions have greatly troubled Don Radlauer, a research associate who specializes in information technology at the International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT), based at the Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) in Herzliya, Israel. The ICT is one of the world's leading counterterrorism studies centers and works with security officials and other centers around the world to pioneer new responses to terrorism.

In his attempt to understand what is taking place online, Radlauer takes an original approach. By examining the unique fusion of the Internet and the jihadi ideology that views human lives as sacrificial pawns for an ultimate cause, Radlauer believes that a new means is being used to fulfill an old objective. He defines that objective as the “switching off” of the basic human instinct to sympathize with other