Factors Leading to Violent Radicalization

THREE MAIN CATEGORIES (not exhaustive)



Factors that may trigger an individual's radicalization



Failure at school or work

Estrangement from family

Difficult life event (job loss, death, etc.)

Encounter with an agent/source of radicalization

Political/social event that harms the group to which the individual belongs



Factors that increase individual vulnerability to radicalization



Lack of work prospects

Family problems



FACILITATING factors

- Identity or existential issues
- Feeling of lack of recognition/humiliation
- Polarizing discourses in public and in the media
- Feeling of being stigmatized or discriminated against
- Feeling of injustice or frustration



Cognitive intransigence

Low critical thinking skills

Relational or social isolation

Psychological fragility/mental health problems

Socioeconomic status





Factors that make the individual more vulnerable to radicalization

Prevention first: