The past fifteen years witnessed the proliferation of counter-terrorism measures at the global, regional and national level, with prevention constituting a key element of the emerging global counter-terrorism regime. The presentation will focus on a key component of this preventive paradigm, namely the imposition of preventive sanctions on individuals deemed to be associated with terrorism and the challenges that preventive terrorist sanctions pose for fundamental rights and the rule of law. The presentation will focus on the interaction between international law (in particular UN Security Council initiatives) with the law of the European Union, in order to examine whether rule of law considerations lead to a unified or a fragmented legal framework on counter-terrorism.

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