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r. Daveed Gartenstein-Ross is an expert on terrorism and counterterrorism, whose career has spanned high-level roles as a practitioner, scholar, and entrepreneur. He is the founder and former CEO of Valens Global, a private firm twice recognized by *Entrepreneur Magazine's* E360 list of the best entrepreneurial companies in America. The director of the U.S. Department of Defense's Strategic Multilayer Assessment program has described him as "the expert that the experts call to discuss the nettlesome challenges with terrorism and counterterrorism"

Dr. Gartenstein-Ross has advised multiple U.S. government agencies, including the Department of Homeland Security, where he led Valens Global's contributions to the 2019 *Strategic Framework for Countering Terrorism and Targeted Violence*—a widely praised document that continues to guide the Department's mission.

Beyond his work in counterterrorism, Dr. Gartenstein-Ross is the founder and CEO of Valens Games, a firm specializing in Immersive Exercises—a unique style of "serious games" designed to provide real-world insights in an engaging format. He has led these exercises for major tech companies, government agencies, and universities, applying his expertise in strategic problem-solving to new domains.

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