



In this special edition of the RAN Practitioners Update, we focus on the annual highlight that is the RAN's High Level Conference and RAN Practitioners' Plenary. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, both events will be taking place online, but their importance is more pronounced than ever.

This year has been one of, if not the most, challenging in RAN's 10-year history. RAN has had to rise to the challenge of COVID-19, tackling emerging threats that have only been exacerbated and accelerated by the pandemic, such as the proliferation of disinformation and conspiracy narratives, the emergence of more extreme and violent narratives (both left and right), mental health and increased digitalisation.

As Europe slowly begins to emerge from the pandemic, this year's High Level Conference and Plenary will look to straddle between two areas: looking back at the RAN's ten-year foundation and its successes, whilst also looking ahead to the next decade and the future of P/CVE.

This Update links back to a special edition of the RAN's Spotlight magazine, looking back at the past ten years of RAN and ahead to the future, reflecting on why it was established, the evolution of the network, the people at the heart of it, and its successes and achievements. The Update also links to a new film highlighting the achievements of RAN over the past ten years.

The dates for the RAN High Level Conference & RAN Practitioners' Plenary are confirmed as:

- [The High Level Conference 2021 \(10 Years of RAN\)](#) will take place on **Tuesday 12 October 2021 (afternoon)**
- [The Plenary 2021](#) will be held on **Wednesday 13 October 2021**.

Both events will be in an online format. Please check the RAN Website and your mailbox for more information relating to it.

HIGH LEVEL CONFERENCE & PLENARY

Spotlight

Ahead of the High Level Conference & Plenary, we link back to August's special edition of the RAN Practitioners Spotlight magazine. In commemorating and celebrating the momentous ten-year anniversary of the RAN's formation, the magazine features a series of articles, case studies and interviews with practitioners. It takes a look back at the past ten years of RAN and looks ahead to the future, reflecting on why it was established, the evolution of the network, the people at the heart of it, and its successes and achievements. It hears from Working Group leads both past and present, fellow RAN practitioners, representatives from landmark RAN programmes and projects as well as the European Commission.

[Read the Spotlight publication in full here ...](#) ▶

Film

This new film is the latest in the series commemorating the 10 Year Anniversary of the RAN's foundation. A mixture of animation and realworld footage, the film highlights the main achievements of RAN and its practitioners over the last decade, as it continues to address the evolving and emerging terrorist and extremist threats.

[You can view the film here...](#) ▶

UPCOMING EVENTS

Due to the global COVID-19 pandemic, RAN Practitioners will continue to deliver all meetings in the coming months online. For more information on planned meetings please go to the [RAN website](#). A number of other meetings, to those listed below, planned for the upcoming months of 2021 will be published in due time

2021

RAN High Level Conference 2021 - 10 Years of RAN

12 October 2021

RAN Plenary 2021

13 October 2021

Webinar - Contemporary Online Islamist Extremism

English, German & French | 26-29 October 2021

Joint P/CVE training on mental health aspects in P/CVE

RAN HEALTH WG Meeting (multi-meeting with input from RAN POL, Prison, FC&S and Y&E) | 04-05 November 2021

Small-scale meeting on Returning foreign terrorist fighters: exploring post-conflict reconciliation

08 November 2021

Small-scale expert meeting P/CVE perspectives on the vulnerabilities of asylum seekers and refugee communities

18 November 2021

Working with (violent) right wing extremists in your community

RAN FC&S WG Meeting (multi-meeting with input from RAN LOCAL and POL) | 23-24 November 2021

Inclusion through sports

RAN Y&E WG Meeting | 30 November-01 December 2021

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