

RAN Collection practice template

<p>Name of the practice</p> <p>Please note that by practice we mean an activity/method/tool that has been used or is in use by professionals and/or community members.</p>	CEC Project: Convicts Educational Community
<p>Description (max. 300 words)</p> <p>Short description of the aim and working method of the practice. Please note that in this description, it must be clear that <u>there is an explicit connection to preventing and/or countering radicalisation and/or violent extremism</u>. This means that in the aims and/or the activities/methods/tools of the practice, there is a link to preventing and countering radicalisation and/or violent extremism. Practices without this link cannot be included in the RAN Collection.</p>	<p>The method aims at the recovery and the rehabilitation of prison inmates by facing the reasons leading to their criminal behavior and replacing them with more positive ones. This is possible inside a community made up of inmates, volunteers, and educators which work together to help and look for new solutions to rehabilitation.</p> <p>In order to move on from the certainty of punishment to the certainty of recovery it is absolutely necessary to believe in the extraordinary power of authentic relationships between human beings and trust in human potential for change. During the process, inmates may move from very high levels and circles of violence to recognition, happiness and transcendence by means of taking care of their existential needs. This is presumably also valid for violent extremist offenders.</p>
<p>Key themes</p> <p>Please <u>choose</u> 2 key themes most corresponding with the practice.</p>	Community Volunteers
<p>Target audience</p> <p>Please <u>choose</u> a minimum of one target audience most corresponding with the practice.</p>	General prison population including VETOs
<p>Geographical scope</p> <p>Please indicate where the practice has been/is implemented (countries, regions, cities).</p>	Italy, Emilia-Romagna, Tuscany, Puglia, Lombardia, Abruzzo

<p>Start of the practice</p> <p>Please indicate when (year) the practice was developed and implemented to indicate the maturity of the practice. In case the practice is no longer active, please indicate when it ended.</p>	<p>Starting year: 2004</p> <p>Ending year: ongoing</p>
<p>Deliverables</p> <p>Please indicate if the practice has led to concrete deliverables, such as (links to) handbooks, training modules, videos.</p>	<p>Book: Carcere: l'alternativa è possibile by Giorgio Pieri</p>
<p>Evidence and evaluation</p> <p>Short description on <u>performance measures</u> of the practice, including</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <u>qualitative views and quantitative (statistical) data</u> e.g. measure of the success of your project or intervention. 2. <u>evaluation and feedback</u>, including surveys and/or anecdotal evidence e.g. have you done either an internal or external evaluation, have you encouraged any feedback from your target group? 3. <u>peer review</u> which feedback did the practice receive in the RAN working group and/or study visit where the practice was discussed. <p>Please elaborate on the outcomes of your monitoring and evaluation efforts.</p>	<p>Ministerial data show an overall recidivism rate of 70% for general offenders.</p> <p>In the CEC project, after completion of the entire programme the recidivism rate of those who participated lies at about 12-15%, thus being significantly lower than the average recidivism rate.</p> <p>Similar data can be taken from evaluations of the APAC Prison Model in Brazil, by which the CEC model was inspired: for this reason the UN has defined APAC as the most effective rehabilitation method worldwide.</p> <p>In a RAN PRISONS Working Group meeting in Berlin in 2022 the project aroused interest among the participants, stimulating a lively discussion.</p>
<p>Sustainability and transferability (maximum of 200 words)</p> <p>Short description on the sustainability and transferability of the practice, including e.g. information on the costs of the practice. <u>Please elaborate on which elements are transferrable and how.</u></p>	<p>The costs of the project are now borne fully by the Community Pope John XXIII but are much lower than those in the prison: a prisoner costs about € 200 a day in jail whereas a rehabilitee about €50 a day in our custody center.</p>

<p>Presented and discussed in RAN meeting</p> <p>Please note that to be included in the Collection, the practice is preferably nominated through one of the RAN meetings. Add name of the RAN Working Group/event, date, place and subject of meeting.</p>	<p>Name: RAN PRISONS Working Group meeting</p> <p>Date: 15 - 16 November 2022</p> <p>Place: Berlin</p> <p>Subject: What is in the European prison toolbox of DDR programmes?</p>
<p>Linked to other EU initiatives or EU funding (maximum of 100 words)</p> <p>Please indicate how your project was funded, if your practice is linked to other EU initiatives or projects, AND explicitly note if it is (co-) funded by the EU, and if so, by which funds? Such as Erasmus +, Internal Security Funds (ISF), European Social Fund (ESF), Horizon 2020, etc.</p>	<p>The method was presented in Europe and indicated as one of the best practices in the Project: Reducing Prison Population.</p> <p>The Project CEC was inspired by the experience of APAC, Association for the Protection and Assistance of the Convicted . The first APAC prison was created in 1972 in Brazil. The at the time new approach centers the human being and takes their experiences as a starting point.</p> <p>Mario Ottoboni, the founder of this method claimed that APAC's objective is to kill the criminal and save the man, unlike the prison system, which kills the man and the criminal within him. APAC assumes that every person is capable of doing wrong but also of doing good.</p>
<p>Organisation (enter maximum of 100 words and select organisation type)</p> <p>Please briefly describe the organisation behind the practice including the legal status e.g. NGO, governmental, limited company, charity etc.</p>	<p>Community of Pope John XXIII', an international religious association that is working for more than 30 years to fight marginalisation in Italy and in 25 other countries across 5 continents.</p> <p>Type of Organisation: Charity</p>
<p>Country of origin</p> <p>Country in which the practice is based.</p>	<p>EU or EEA country: Italy</p> <p>or:</p> <p>Non-EU country: Brazil</p>
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