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## **RAN Collection practice template**

### Name of the practice

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.

# Multi-Agency Approach to Rehabilitation of radicalised detainees (MAR)

#### **Description**

(max. 300 words)

Short description of the aim and working method of the practice. Please note that in this description, it must be clear that there is an explicit connection to preventing and/or countering radicalisation and/or violent extremism. 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.

The Multi-Agency Approach to Rehabilitation of radicalised detainees (MAR), organised by the Dutch Custodial Institutions Agency, is an approach for detainees held on extremism or terrorism-related charges. Together with key partners, such as the probation service (specialised in radicalisation, extremism and terrorism), the municipality and the Custodial Institutions Agency we organise individual case conferences for each detainee. By bringing these organisations together in an early stage and exchanging information, we are able to develop individual resocialisation plans. Each organisation brings their own unique information and perspectives on the case. The MAR provides the platform where risk profiles and opportunities for interventions are discussed and decided. We use structured instruments such as VERA-2R, but also professional judgement from experienced and trained practitioners, ideological evaluation by an expert, and psychological, psychiatric examination and evaluation, as well as evaluation of a person's network. We look at opportunities for interventions on different factors, such as family, social network, ideology, mental health, personal identity, basic needs (housing, income) and responsivity. It is important to find the right balance between rehabilitation and security. Although formally advisory to the prison director, decision-making is usually based on common ground and mutual agreement and commitment from all involved organisations. Interventions can start in detention and can be





	continued after by the local multi-agency approach (municipality and Safety Houses).
<b>Key themes</b> Please <u>choose</u> 2 key themes most corresponding with the practice.	Multi-agency cooperation  Prison and probation
Target audience  Please <u>choose</u> a minimum of one target audience most corresponding with the practice.	Prison / Probation  Authorities  Local Community Organisations / NGOs
Geographical scope  Please indicate where the practice has been/is implemented (countries, regions, cities).	The MAR approach is a national programme that includes all prisons in the Netherlands. Some of the MAR target group will be placed in a regular prison, but most of them will be staying in one of the three high-level security wings reserved for terrorist suspects or offenders. There are three terrorist wings (two for men and one for women). For the final period of detention, detainees are eligible for transfer to a regular prison, in order to work more specifically on their individual rehabilitation goals.  The MAR continues throughout the whole detention period, regardless of whether someone is staying at the terrorist wing or a regular prison. When a detainee is transferred, the MAR follows in order to make sure all relevant information (including risk profiles) is transferred as well and that the rehabilitation goals and interventions will be continued in the next prison. After leaving prison, the MAR rehabilitation plan is transferred to the municipality that has been involved in the MAR approach from the start, and they will continue within their local multi-agency approach.
Start of the practice  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.	Starting year: 2019 Ending year: Select ending year of practice in case practice has ended.
<b>Deliverables</b> Please indicate if the practice has led to concrete deliverables, such as	A series of graphics is designed to illustrate the working methods of the MAR. They are used for presentations and are available on request.



(links to) handbooks, training modules, videos.

#### **Evidence and evaluation**

Short description on <u>performance</u> <u>measures</u> of the practice, including

- 1. <u>qualitative views and</u> <u>quantitative (statistical) data</u> e.g. measure of the success of your project or intervention.
- 2. evaluation and feedback, 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. <a href="mailto:peer review">peer review</a> which feedback did the practice receive in the RAN working group and/or study visit where the practice was discussed.

Please elaborate on the outcomes of your monitoring and evaluation efforts.

1. <u>qualitative views and quantitative (statistical)</u> <u>data</u> e.g. measure of the success of your project or intervention.

The Custodial Institutions Agency has carried out an evaluation (2020-2021) of the total range of interventions about deradicalisation and disengagement that can be deployed for detainees suspected of or convicted for terrorist offenses and for detainees showing signs of radicalisation. This evaluation was not aimed specifically at the MAR approach but some of the recommendations included opportunities for the multiagency approach. The researchers suggest the use of the MAR to regularly increase awareness of the existing range of interventions, for example, by developing factsheets per intervention. These factsheets have been developed by the MAR since, and are currently used in the MAR case conferences.

2. Evaluation and feedback, 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?

In 2022, an inspection investigation on tackling radicalisation was carried by the Inspections and Audit Service of the Ministry of Justice and Security. In their report there is special attention to the MAR. "Because of the MAR the contact between the responsible case partners is structurally secured. Therefore, the collaboration is less depending on individual knowledge and willingness of persons. Involved partners declare that they are very satisfied, the MAR plays a key role in information sharing. The importance of a well-functioning MAR is essential."

- 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.
  - a. Interesting, valuable, bridging prison and case/administration by including the municipalities this way in prison is unique, MAR's national approach prevents crucial information loss when transferring between prisons and after detention (NB. We will be able to complete this after the paper from the last RAN PRISONS meeting in Rome is shared).



## Sustainability and transferability

(maximum of 200 words)

Short description on the sustainability and transferability of the practice, including e.g. information on the costs of the practice. Please elaborate on which elements are transferrable and how.

## Presented and discussed in RAN meeting

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. Name: Ran PRISONS

Date: 07/07/2022

Place: Rome

Subject: Dealing with false or non-compliance in prison –

intervention strategies to mitigate risks

## Linked to other EU initiatives or EU funding

(maximum of 100 words)

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.

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#### Organisation

(enter maximum of 100 words and select organisation type)

Please briefly describe the organisation behind the practice including the legal status e.g. NGO, governmental, limited company, charity etc.

The Multi-Agency Approach to Rehabilitation of radicalised detainees (MAR) is a national programme, organised by the Dutch Custodial Institutions Agency.

Type of Organisation: Governmental institution

#### **Country of origin**

Country in which the practice is based.

EU or EEA country: Netherlands

or:

Non-EU country: Enter name if non EU country



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