



RAN

Practitioners Update 97

May 2022

10
YEARS OF
RAN

Contents

- ▶ Practitioners
- ▶ Gender
- ▶ Event
- ▶ Upcoming events
- ▶ Publications
- ▶ Contact

At RAN Practitioners we are mindful to support practitioners to both understand and address the full range of existing P/CVE challenges which we collectively face and to anticipate future challenges. However, while our focus is on bringing practitioners together to share insights, ideas and good practices, it is also important to sometimes take a moment to take stock of what practitioners practically need to do their work. At a time when practitioners seemingly face a plethora of challenges – as a result of events such as the Covid-19 crisis and the Ukraine war – we take a look at whether practitioners are sufficiently and properly equipped to tackle them. In this edition of the RAN Practitioners Update, we feature the latest episode of our podcast series, RAN in Focus, which hears from three leading practitioners who discuss this very topic. If you would like to contribute to the discussion, please do get in touch.

PRACTITIONERS

Podcast

The latest episode of RAN Practitioners' podcast series, 'RAN in Focus', takes a holistic look at the current status of the practitioner environment in Europe today and the P/CVE landscape they have to operate in. The podcast hears from three leading experts from the RAN Practitioners network, including Angela Antonova, the co-chair of the Families, Communities and Social Care Working Group, Jean-Philippe Fons, the co-chair of Youth and Education Working Group, and Kelly Simcock, a former Working Group lead.

[You can listen to the podcast in full here...](#) ▶

Spotlight

In 2021, we took a look at some of the evolving and 'emerging threats' which practitioners face today. In a RAN Spotlight publication, RAN practitioners and Working Group leads shared their views, insights and work in addressing some of these threats. These include emerging violent right-wing extremism (VRWE) accelerationism narratives, a look into the new and quietly developing violent Incel movement, as well as

lone actors in an increasingly transformed digital world.

[You can read the publication in full here...](#) ▶

GENDER

Podcast

An episode of RAN Practitioners' podcast series, 'RAN in Focus', takes a look at gender in P/CVE, including some of the gender dynamics within violent Islamist and violent right-wing extremism. The podcast hears from three leading academics and experts, including Katherine Brown, from the University of Birmingham, Eviane Leidig, from the International Centre for Counter Terrorism, and Christian Mogensen, an expert in gender-related issues from a male perspective.

[You can listen to the podcast in full here...](#) ▶

Paper

'Extremists' Targeting of Young Women on Social Media and Lessons for P/CVE' is the title of a recent paper by RAN Practitioners. It explores which narratives and strategies are used by right-wing (RWE) and Islamist extremist (IE) actors to lure and recruit young women and girls to (violent) extremism. The paper identifies implications for P/CVE in order to better prevent and counter extremists' online targeting of women and girls.

[You can read the publication in full here...](#) ▶

EVENT

On 7th June 2022, the European Commission and UNDP are jointly hosting an EU-UN Strategic Dialogue, on the utilisation of online data for the prevention of violent extremism (PVE). The event will explore different risk-informed approaches to addressing the growing threat of online radicalisation and the spread of terrorist content online, including monitoring, data

analysis - which can inform programmes that aim to prevent the appeal of violent extremists while protecting individuals' freedom of speech and rights to privacy in the digital space - and content removal. The event is open to practitioners, civil society organisations (CSOs), experts in the field and tech companies.

[You can find out more and register for the event here...](#) ▶

UPCOMING EVENTS

For more information on all planned meetings over the coming months of 2022 please go to the [RAN Practitioners website](#).

May 2022 – June 2022

Gender specific approaches: preventive work for girls in and around school

RAN Y&E | 31 May-1 June 2022

Rehabilitation in an open setting

RAN REHABILITATION | 2-3 June 2022

Support tool for families dealing with conspiracy narratives

Small-scale meeting | 14 June

Digital frontrunners in P/CVE work: How early prevention, trend monitoring, individual interventions, and counter messaging are used online by practitioners

RAN C&N | 16-17 June 2022

Anti-government extremism and hostility against the police in Europe

RAN POL | 16-17 June 2022

'How to deal with the local impact of online extremist activities?'

RAN LOCAL | 16-17 June 2022

On VRWE trends and developments in French

Webinar | 21 June 2022

Personality disorders and mental illnesses with implications in preventing violent extremism

RAN HEALTH | 20-21 June 2022

On VRWE trends and developments in German

Webinar | 22 June 2022

The challenges of anti-authorities extremism for police

RAN POL | 23-24 June 2022

On VRWE trends and developments in English

Webinar | 28 June 2022

How to better integrate evaluation (impact assessment) into counter and alternative narrative campaigns? (in French)

Webinar | 29 June 2022

RAN Study Visit to German NGO/security cooperation

30 June- 1 July 2022

PUBLICATIONS

Manifesto for Education 2nd Edition, 2021

A 'manifesto', published by RAN Practitioners in April 2022, describes the nature of the extremism challenges in the education system across Europe today. The 'manifesto', which is the second edition of a manifesto published in 2015, reviews progress made to date, identifies areas for further development and details new or developing themes for consideration. The paper serves as a call to action for practitioners in education and youth work. [Read more here...](#) ▶

CONTACT

RAN Practitioners is implemented by RadarEurope, which is a subsidiary of the RadarGroup:

Phone: +31 (0)20 – 468 06 08 (office)

E-Mail: ran@radareurope.nl

Would you like more frequent updates on RAN's activities? Gain access to all public RAN papers as they are published, other RAN news and thought-provoking articles on the radicalisation process by following RAN on

[YouTube](#) / [Facebook](#) / [Twitter](#) / [LinkedIn](#)

This is an update on the activities of the Radicalisation Awareness Network Practitioners (RAN Practitioners). You receive this email, along with more than 6,000 other people, because you have participated in a RAN activity or because you have registered your interest in the network. If you wish to unsubscribe, please let us know. Feel free to distribute this RAN Practitioners Update to colleagues and invite them to [subscribe](#).