

# **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.

# Training sessions on the phenomenon of radicalisation, under the aegis of the Strategy for the prevention of radicalisation in the penitentiary environment

### **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.

Training sessions on the phenomenon of radicalisation, under the aegis of the Strategy for the prevention of radicalisation in the penitentiary environment.

The training course is aimed at penitentiary units from every corner of the country; eight penitentiary units have been selected punctually, in order to pilot and establish the degree of sustainability of the form of delivery of the course to the penitentiary staff.

The target audience is penitentiary administration staff who carry out specific activities with inmates as well as staff who occupy management positions in penitentiary units.

It is expected that from 2020, the training course will be delivered to all prison units in Romania.

- The training sessions aim at transmitting, for learning, theoretical and methodological concepts regarding the phenomenon of radicalisation in the penitentiary environment and the use of specific tools within the Strategy for preventing radicalisation in order to identify the people who present a risk in the target phenomenon.
- Workers from the department in charge of preventing crime and terrorism from penitentiary units deliver the training course.
- The training sessions were organised over two months in 2019, the information being





	transmitted in the form of PowerPoint presentations and a physical material course providing support for the frontline staff. Starting in 2020, courses with annual frequency will be delivered to all penitentiary units in Romania.  • The resources used: human, IT equipment, A4 sheets with brief information.  The key principles on which the training sessions are based are synthesised from social sciences and best practices learned from participating in various events.  The course is based on elements specific to radicalisation, which led to elaborating the Strategy for preventing radicalisation in the penitentiary environment: Identification of radicalisation indicators:  • working together with civil society for reintegration;  • multidisciplinary activities for efficient recuperative interventions;  • speciality support from national qualified structures in regard to radicalisation and terrorism.  The training course is put together with information and data collected from active participation into R2PRIS project.
Peer reviewed	No
Key themes	Deradicalisation/disengagement
Please <u>choose</u> 2 key themes most corresponding with the practice.	Prison and probation
Target audience	Prison / Probation
Please <u>choose</u> a minimum of one target audience most corresponding	First responders or practitioners
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target audience most corresponding with the practice.  Geographical scope  Please indicate where the practice has been/is implemented (countries, regions, cities).	Law enforcement officers  South-east (Bucharest, Slobozia, Constanta), West (Arad), South-west (Craiova), Centre (Brasov) and East (Vaslui).





practice is no longer active, please indicate when it ended.

### **Deliverables**

Please indicate if the practice has led to concrete deliverables, such as (links to) handbooks, training modules, videos.

### **Evidence and evaluation**

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

- qualitative views and quantitative (statistical) data 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?
- peer review 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.

The success of the training was monitored both at the level of the penitentiary unit in which it was delivered, by the commission specifically constituted for the implementation of the Strategy for preventing radicalisation in the penitentiary environment, and at the level of the National Administration of Penitentiaries, by the department in charge of preventing crime and terrorism as coordinator of the implementation of the Strategy.

The trainings are completed by assuming the target group under signature understands the concepts explained and their subsequent application, when the situation requires it.

The training will be evaluated internally, after completion of the Strategy piloting (at the end of 2019); thereafter, it is to be evaluated annually.

Feedback received so far from the trainees has been positive. Initially the training was provided as a single training session with approximately 100 participants, but it was observed that a smaller number of trainees facilitates the interaction and understanding of the provided information.

# 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.

It is appreciated that the theoretical part of the training course can be used by other penitentiary systems in the European Union, but the methodological concepts and practices were tailored especially for Romanian penitentiary units. The training course will be repeated or continued if needed annually in all penitentiary units.





# 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. This practice was undertaken in collaboration with EUROPRIS.

# 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.

**EUROPRIS** 

## **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.

National Administration of Penitentiaries, Romania

Governmental institution

# **Country of origin**

Country in which the practice is based.

Romania

### **Contact details**

Please provide contact details of who can be contacted within the organisation, with name and email address.

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