

## **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.

# **Expert Center on Gender and Right-Wing Extremism**

#### **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 primary goal of the Expert Center on Gender and Right-Wing Extremism is to look at right-wing extremism from a gender perspective and achieve gender-sensitive approaches in all strategies and actions to prevent right-wing extremism. Right-wing extremism continues to be perceived as predominantly a "male problem". This is highly problematic, as it hinders an accurate perspective on the power, influence and activities of right-wing women in Germany and therefore impedes the development of effective counter-strategies to deal with them. The general level of awareness concerning the racist, anti-Semitic and radical attitudes of girls and women in German civil society, in social work and education, in the media, as well as in local government is very low. The Expert Center trains kindergarten teachers, youth clubs, community centers, journalists and scientific associations of social work and education departments on how to implement a gender-sensitive approach and in order to help them to implement "democratic principles" for their institutions.

#### Peer reviewed

No

#### **Key themes**

Please <u>choose</u> 2 key themes most corresponding with the practice.

Violent right-wing extremism

Gender/women





#### **Target audience**

Please <u>choose</u> a minimum of one target audience most corresponding with the practice.

#### Educators / Academics

First responders or practitioners

Youth / Pupils / Students

#### Geographical scope

Please indicate where the practice has been/is implemented (countries, regions, cities).

#### Germany

#### 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: 2011

#### **Deliverables**

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

#### Essays

- Heike Radvan (2012): Geschlechterreflektierende Rechtsextremismusprävention. Eine Leerstelle in Theorie und Praxis. In: Dietrich, Anette/Heise, Ljiljana:
   Männlichkeitskonstruktionen im Nationalsozialismus und deren Reproduktion und Rekonstruktion in der Gedenkstättenpädagogik. Hamburg (im Erscheinen).
- Heike Radvan; Esther Lehnert (2012): Gender als wesentlicher Bestandteil des modernen Rechtsextremismus. Konsequenzen und Herausforderungen für das pädagogische Handeln. In: BAG OKJE (Bundesarbeitsgemeinschaft Offene Kinder- und Jugendeinrichtungen e.V.): Rechtsradikalismus: Prävention und Gender. Stuttgart, 4/2012; S. 34–51. Download (PDF-Dokument, 174.9 KB) (Das gesamte Heft ist unter www.tbt-verlag.de bestellbar, unter www.agjf.de gedruckt.)
- Esther Lehnert (2011): Gender und Rechtsextremismusprävention. In: Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung: Expertisen für Demokratie. Berlin, 2/2011 Download (PDF-Dokument.

#### **Brochures**

- 1. Instrumentalisierung des Themas "sexueller Missbrauch" durch Neonazis. Stratgien und Handlungempfehlungen Download
- 2. Demokratie ist (k)ein Kindergeburtstag. Handreichung für Kindertagesstätten im Umgang mit Rechtsextremismus Download (PDF-Dokument, 1.6 MB)





3. Was Sie über sexuellen Missbrauch wissen sollten. Gedankenanstöße für einen wirksamen Kinderschutz jenseits polemischer Scheinlösungen Download (PDF-Dokument, 358.2 KB)

#### Books

• Geschlechterreflektierende Rechtsextremismusprävention. Eine Leerstelle in Theorie und Praxis? In: Amadeu Antonio Stiftung (Hg.): Gender und Rechtsextremismusprävention. Berlin: Metropol Verlag 2013.

#### **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 Expert Center on Gender and Right-Wing Extremism is part of the Amadeu Antonio Foundation (AAS). This foundation has got a professional governance structure with checks and balances to ensure that all of its projects function as well as possible and that the expertise of all of the staff members can be used adequately. Anetta Kahane is the full-time chairwoman of the AAS and responsible for all tasks related to the general management. Timo Reinfrank is the main coordinator of the AAS's activities, whereas Dr Heike Radvan is responsible for the scientific leadership. Kahane, Reinfrank and Dr Radvan form the internal leadership "trio" which steers the direction of the organisation and makes policy and strategic decisions.

AAS maintains biweekly team meetings to facilitate the communication between the staff responsible for the different operative projects and the leadership. The operative projects have their own expert advisory committees. AAS has got an elaborated system of self-evaluation – the different projects evaluate themselves, but they also receive external evaluation by professionals specialized in qualitative scientific methods.

AAS has got a board of trustees which consists of six members. It is led by Anetta Kahane and Dr Pia Gerber. The board of trustees meets twice a year to support the managing board and to decide about bigger funding proposals.

The Expert Center participated and presented their work at the OSCE ODHIR expert roundtable on preventing women terrorist radicalisation in December 12th in 2011 and at the OSCE-GCTF workshop on women and countering violent extremism and radicalisation that lead to terrorism on 13-14 May in Istanbul.

### Sustainability and transferability

The Expert Center published different brochures focusing e.g. on women in right-wing extremist organisations in order to use it to raise awareness, for political lobbying, etc. The





(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.

Expert Center works closely with AAS´ pilot program "Strategies against right wing extremism in Mecklenburg-Vorpommern – civil society engagement and empowerment of girls and women" and develops a sustainability and recourse mobilization plan for both initiatives. The Expert Center's work should be sustainable because of the partnership with newspapers, the training sessions for journalists, the panel discussions, etc. Sharing the findings and experiences with other organisations in different German federal lands should produce multiplication effects and sustainable change.

Neo-Nazi violence is always a threat when trying to establish democratic and diverse structures in Germany. AAF has faced threats from neo-Nazis in several cases, but it has long-lasting experience and enough support by its partners and the media and also communicates with the security agencies. The organisation is able to whstand the difficulties.

## 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

Date: December 2013

Place: Berlin

Subject:

Name: RAN.

Date: September 2014.

Place: Frankfurt.

### 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

The Expert Center on Gender and Right-Wing Extremism is part of the Amadeu Antonio Foundation, which is a non-profit foundation. The projects are funded by donations, the foundation's capital and programs of the German Government.





including the legal status e.g. NGO, governmental, limited company, charity etc.	Type of Organisation: Other
Country of origin  Country in which the practice is based.	EU or EEA country: Germany or: Non-EU country: Enter name if non EU country
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