

# **NEWSLETTER**

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This month, the RAN Update continues to explore the topic of 'violent right-wing extremism' (VRWE). While the previous Update examined how the challenge has evolved, including how VRWE groups have exploited crises such as the Covid-19 pandemic to radicalise and recruit, this Update features some of the content produced in the past months which highlights some of the good work being done by RAN practitioners to address it. The Update includes two films produced by the RAN, a new publication called 'Spotlight', and a roadmap which details the RAN's previous activities on the topic as well as activities planned for the coming weeks and months.

# **VIOLENT RIGHT WING EXTREMISM**

# Roadmap

In 2020, the RAN is developing a series of 'roadmaps' which establish how the RAN will tackle some of the priority P/CVE issues of the day. The first of these roadmaps for 2020 is on VRWE. The VRWE roadmap points practitioners to existing material produced by the RAN over recent years, including the recent 'RAN Factbook on VRWE', and

details the RAN activities which will address the topic in 2020, through Working Group meetings, papers and other activities. The roadmap is a live document which will be regularly updated to inform practitioners on future activities in 2020 and beyond. The roadmap can be viewed here...



# **Spotlight**

Spotlight is a new publication, published quarterly, which highlights and showcases the work of RAN practitioners in doing their work. In the first publication practitioners share their insights and stories on the topic of violent rightwing extremism. The first Spotlight – 'Violent right-wing extremism in focus' – features original articles written by practitioners, film content, interviews with practitioners about their work, a feature on a stand-out project and plenty more. The brochure can be viewed in full <a href="here">here</a>. If you would like to feature in a future publication please contact the RAN communications team at ran@radaradvies.nl



## Film

Two short five minute films, produced by the RAN, explore the evolving violent right-wing challenge in Europe and how practitioners are addressing it. We hear from a diverse range of practitioners from the RAN network about their experiences. The first film – 'The evolving violent right-wing challenge' – touches upon how VRWE groups exploit crises, such as the COVID-19 pandemic, to radicalise and recruit. The second film – 'Addressing the violent right-wing challenge' – features four different approaches being taken to address the challenge, particularly online. You can view the films in full here....

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Due to the global COVID-19 pandemic, all remaining Working Group meetings scheduled to take place in June will be held online. We will be planning the activities for the next few months in the coming weeks and will make an announcement in the next newsletter.

#### **JUNE 2020**

#### Ethics for mental health workers in the prevention of radicalisation

RAN Mental Health

16 and 17 June

This meeting will explore the unique aspects of the treatment of women during imprisonment, how the approach for men applies to women and which assessment tools work.

#### Practical know-how on violent right-wing extremism (VRWE) for the police

Webinar

18 June

This meeting will provide police officers with basic know-how on how police can contribute to prevent and counter VRWE providing insight on how VRWE manifests itself and what the police responses could be. The meeting is for police officers only.

#### Families 'left behind' by FTFs

RAN Families, Communities and Social Care

29 and 30 June

This meeting will explore how family, community and social care workers can better support the families 'left behind' by FTFs, dealing with loss, grief, trauma, and stigmatisation.

#### RAN Rehabilitation Manual

Webinar

30 June

This meeting will share the key findings of the upcoming 'RAN Rehabilitation Manual', including challenges and recommendations regarding the rehabilitation process, while drawing on a practitioner's perspective from a national context.

# LATEST PUBLICATIONS

### **RAN Collection**

The RAN is updating the RAN Collection, which consists of over 200 inspiring practices in the field of P/CVE. Experts from the RAN expert pool will review existing practices to categorise them as either 'best' or 'inspiring' practices. This review will be based upon a set of criteria, including the success of the practice and the methodology and approach taken. In 2020, RAN will invite 35 practices to be reviewed on a voluntary basis. The reviews will not be published. Read more about the criteria for selection and the review process here...



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