# **NEWSLETTER**

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The RAN is launching a new initiative to support practitioners, the Practitioner Exchange Programme (PEP). The RAN exists to connect first-line practitioners from across the EU to exchange knowledge, experiences and approaches to preventing and countering violent extremism (P/CVE). The RAN does this in a number of ways, including convening thematic-based Working Group meetings and producing relevant and associated papers, factbooks and manuals. However, with a network of over 6,000 practitioners, the RAN is constantly looking at new ways to maximise the expertise within it, bring people together and make new connections. While the COVID-19 pandemic has precipitated a new way of working online and in turn accelerated digital transformation, working offline remains incredibly important for the work that we all do. The RAN is launching a new programme, the PEP, which will give practitioners the opportunity to visit other like-minded practitioners, spend time with them and learn first-hand how they do their work. Read more about the PEP and how to apply below.

### PRACTITIONER EXCHANGE PROGRAMME

#### Film

The RAN is introducing a new initiative called the Practitioner Exchange Programme (PEP). The PEP will give practitioners the opportunity to share and learn from one another by spending time with each other while they do their work. A short five minute film explains why this programme, which has been welcomed by a select group of practitioners who were consulted, benefits practitioners and why practitioners should get involved.

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# **Programme**

The Practitioner Exchange Programme (PEP) will offer practitioners the opportunity to participate in an (up to) one week, residential-style 'shadowing' and learning experience, where visiting practitioners and hosting practitioners can share and learn from each other while they do their work. The nature of the exchange will enable practitioners to reflect openly on their working methods, improve their skills and inform new ways to do their work.

The programme will match practitioners from different EU Member States who work in the same field, do comparable working activities, share similar responsibilities and have comparable learning priorities. The programme will match practitioners working on a variety of topics, from prevention

to exit work and from project design, multi-agency cooperation and information sharing to evaluation.

The nature of the exchanges is flexible: if a practitioner hosts an exchange visit, he/she may also go on an exchange visit him/herself. Practitioners do not have to visit others after they have hosted, but they should be willing to host others if they have visited someone themselves. This exchange can be with one of the practitioners that visited him/her, but also with another practitioner. The RAN staff will provide guidance to practitioners about the best way to facilitate these visits. Following each exchange the participants will be interviewed to gather feedback about their experience.

## **Call for applications**

If you would like to participate in the PEP please find more information about how to apply here.

If you would like to know more about the programme please get in touch with ran@radareurope.nl.

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