

# NEWSLETTER

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2021 was always set to be a momentous year for the Radicalisation Awareness Network.

The year marked the 10-year anniversary of the network's foundation and would bring together Working Group Leads, Practitioners, Researchers and Policy Makers, both past and present, to reflect and look ahead.

However, what should have been a year of commemoration and reflection has also taken on even greater importance due to the presence of the COVID-19 pandemic, which has had huge repercussions not only for P/CVE, but for communities and societies across Europe.

Indeed, the pandemic has only exacerbated and accelerated the P/CVE trends and issues that RAN and its practitioners have been tackling in recent years, including the proliferation of disinformation and conspiracy narratives, increased digitalisation and the emergence of more extreme and violent narratives.

As Europe continues to battle the pandemic, RAN Practitioners has used 2021 to not only reflect on the challenges brought about by COVID, but also plot an optimistic path forward for its network of practitioners.

In keeping with this, this final Update of 2021 features the fifth and final film, in a series of films on the 10-year anniversary. The Update also includes the four other films in the series and a special edition Spotlight magazine.

As we look ahead to next year there is much to look forward to. The insights that were shared by you, RAN practitioners, during the RAN Plenary event and RAN Steering Board meeting were captured and have informed the design and planning of RAN Practitioners activity for next year, including Working Group meetings, study visits, webinars and much more. A calendar of events will be shared and made available in the coming weeks.

# 10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

## Film - 10 Year Anniversary, 'RAN YOUNG & Future'

This new film is the last in the series commemorating the 10 Year Anniversary of the RAN's foundation. This film looks towards the future with an optimistic lens, forecasting the development of RAN Practitioners and deducing the possible challenges to be faced. The film hears from members of the RAN YOUNG platform, as well as other RAN practitioners, researchers and policy makers.

[You can view the film here...](#) ▶

## Film - 10 Year Anniversary, 'RAN High Level Conference Film'

Hearing from past and present RAN Working Group Leads, practitioners and policy makers, this film highlights the main P/CVE trends and issues that RAN has been at the forefront of in the past ten years, from the violent Islamist challenge posed by Daesh, to rising violent right-wing extremism, to conspiracy narratives and disinformation and latterly, the COVID-19 pandemic. Shown during the RAN High Level Conference, this film hears from individuals who have been at the heart of RAN's journey from its foundation to the

present day, providing an uplifting message for the next decade to come. [You can view the film here...](#) ▶

## Spotlight

In reflecting back on the RAN's 10 Year Anniversary, we link back to August's special edition of the Spotlight magazine. In commemorating and celebrating the momentous ten-year anniversary of RAN's formation, the magazine features a series of articles, case studies and interviews with practitioners. It takes a look back at the past ten years of RAN and looks ahead to the future, reflecting on why it was established, the evolution of the network, the people at the heart of it, and its successes and achievements.

[Read the Spotlight publication in full here ...](#) ▶

## Previous films in the 10 Year Anniversary series....

### Film - 10 Year Anniversary, 'Achievements'

A mixture of animation and real-world footage, this film highlights the main achievements of RAN and its practitioners over the last decade, as it continues to address the evolving and emerging terrorist and extremist threats.

[You can view the film here..](#) ▶

### Film - 10 Year Anniversary, 'Practitioners'

This film focuses on the people who make up the RAN network, the first-line practitioners who, with the support of RAN, prevent and counter violent extremism in their daily work. The film acknowledges the scale, diversity, breadth, depth, talent and expertise of the network. The film hears from a range of practitioners who tell their stories about who they are, their work on key P/CVE issues, and their experiences of participating in RAN Practitioners.

[You can view the film here..](#) ▶

### Film - 10 Year Anniversary, 'Victims of Terrorism'

This film focuses on the people who have been most affected by terrorist and violent extremist activity; victims. The film looks back to historical terrorist attacks which served as a motivation for the establishment of RAN. The film then hears how RAN Practitioners has built capacity over the last decade in order to bring victims from across Europe together, to give them a voice, and to empower them to respond with the purpose of helping others. The film features

intimate interviews with victims, victim associations and RAN practitioners. [You can view the film here..](#) ▶

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