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**Preventing Radicalisation
to Terrorism
and Violent Extremism**

Radicalisation Awareness Network



Approaches and Practices

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Name of the practice	5.5.13 Never Again Association
Description	<p>The Never Again Association is a Polish and Eastern European anti-racist organisation. The mission of the Never Again Association is to promote multicultural understanding and to contribute to the development of a democratic civil society in Poland and in the broader region of Central and Eastern Europe. Never Again is particularly concerned with the problem of education against racial and ethnic prejudices among the young.</p> <p>Activities of Never Again include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Social campaigning and educational programmes. - Monitoring and publishing data on racist incidents and other xenophobic crimes committed in Poland as well as sharing information and analysis on hate crime and extremist and racist groups operating in Poland and in the rest of Europe. - Sharing expertise and cooperating with researchers, media, policy makers, national and international organisations. - Running of the 'Delete Racism' project to combat racism and anti-Semitism on the Internet and conducting high-profile educational campaigns in the field of popular culture, 'Music Against Racism' and 'Let's Kick Racism out of the Stadiums'. - UEFA EURO 2012 'Respect Diversity - Football Unites' programme: major educational and awareness-raising activities that took place before and during the European Football Championships in Poland and Ukraine. <p>The Never Again practitioners come from various professional backgrounds as political and social studies, social work, legal, educational. A particularly promising aspect of the Never Again approach is combining work on many different levels - international networking alongside domestic and local projects, integration of football work and general societal work, collaborating simultaneously with other NGOs, risk groups, policy makers and practitioners, as well as with local and national authorities. Such approach combined with Never Again's broad network of volunteers across the whole country and the region enables the Association to diagnose and respond quickly to any issues that may come up within the scope of its work.</p> <p>At present, Never Again is approaching the field of prison work and has already become a reference point for those involved in de-radicalisation work. The Association provides help with regards to carrying out first-line work, as well as advises on how to approach and deal with extremists and hate crime offenders. The Association also broadly promotes implementation of best practices regarding both combating racism and hate crime, as well as promoting a positive, inclusive public discourse on multiculturalism and diversity.</p>
Approach	Educating young people
Target audience	Youth/pupils/students Local Community Organisations/NGOs
Deliverables	Since 1994 Never Again has produced a regular publication in the form of the Never Again (Nigdy Więcej) magazine, providing reliable information and in-depth analysis on hate crime and on extremist and racist groups operating in Poland and in the rest of Europe.

Sustainability and transferability	Never Again's successful work over the years contributed to the organisation's strong position and nation-wide recognition within various groups. On several occasions Never Again has been approached by far-right extremists who wished to change their lives and leave their subculture's structures. The Never Again Association provided support and assisted them through the process of rehabilitation. Such experiences formed the basis of case studies presented in the Never Again magazine, which undoubtedly serves as both an educational resource and an inspiration.
Geographical scope	Never Again works nation-wide in Poland and in the region of Eastern and Central Europe in delivering educational programs for teachers, police, state prosecutors, community workers and students on how to deal with racism and hate crime, and how to prevent them.
Start of the practice	1996
Presented and discussed in RAN meeting	Several RAN Derad, RAN Prevent and RAN POL meetings
Relation to other EC initiatives	None
Organisation	<i>The Never Again Association is a non-governmental organisation (NGO) that works in awareness raising, research, monitoring of racist and hate crime incidents and, on some recent occasions, carried out educational and awareness raising projects involving participation of inmates and football supporters. These young people are inclined to engage in violence, in racist, aggressively nationalist, and xenophobic behaviour, are prone to manipulation and their behaviour escalates easily.</i>
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