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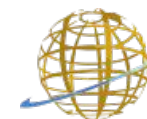
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The Department of Social Work at the University of Applied Sciences in Salzburg has already participated in several projects with international partners in the field of prevention of violent radicalisation. Our main area of expertise is early prevention, which means to find out ways to prevent violence before it even happens. Our approach is thereby based on the concept of “social cohesion”: if people live in a society where their economic, political and cultural needs are met, then the probability of radicalisation is reduced.

In this area we consider ourselves as bridge between theory and practice. On the one hand we are doing theoretical research and quantitative/qualitative research and on the other hand we are educating and training aspiring social workers in the field of prevention of extremism and also function as an interface between theoreticians and practitioners by conducting joint research or facilitating workshops.

In this sense participating in the Rad2Citizen project is a great possibility for us to implement our expertise, challenge our hypotheses and pass on our knowledge to others. Working on the work-package-4 (WP4) and being able to conduct an online-workshop for social workers in Toulouse was a huge privilege in this context. It was also very assuring to receive the feedback, that on the one hand they learned something interesting and new and on the other that they were confirmed in what they've been already doing.

The tools we presented are all rooted in scientific research and already applied by our Austrian partner organisation the “Extremism Information Center” (www.beratungsstelleextremismus.at).

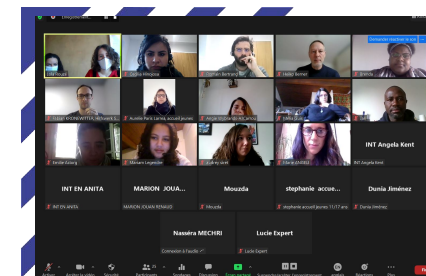
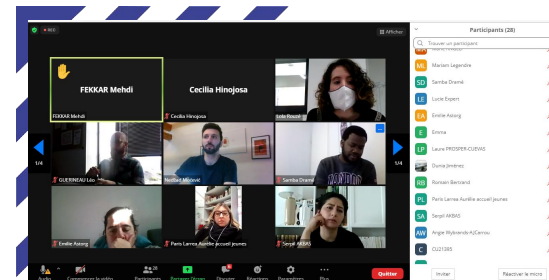




The Work Package 4 of the Rad2citizen project has several objectives corresponding to the creation of various analyses and events, some of which took place from January 2022 onwards. Firstly, it aims to carry out a diagnosis of the problem situations that social and educational professionals may encounter in terms of extremism, radicalisation and citizenship. Secondly, to carry out an analysis of the practices implemented by these same professionals in order to face these situations. Thirdly, to create, share and train to primary prevention tools on these subjects, on the scale of Toulouse Metropole but also between the European partners of the project. Finally, to carry out an assessment of the experimentation of these tools.

It is in the framework of this third objective that eight prevention tools from each partner country were offered to professionals from these same countries. For example, they included training on hate crimes or on extremisms and its causal factors, as well as their prevention. They also concerned digital issues, through workshops involving professionals and young people on digital social networks or a “resources map on immigration assistance”. Finally, they could be tools to be implemented in public spaces, such as the laicity and citizenship booth, or with young people, such as those concerning identity.

On 25 January 2022, Nedzad Mocevic from the University of Applied Social Sciences in Salzburg trained on the tools of the “5 pillars of identity” and on the topic of “multiple identities”. On the morning of 26 January, the referents of work packages 3 and 4 and the Metropolitan Socio-Educational Support Service offered two workshops on digital social networks. On the morning of 9 February 2022, the association Partage Faourette, the Bagatelle Social Centre, the Faourette and Bagatelle Prevention Clubs and the referent of work package 4 went back over the origins of the laicity and citizenship booth until today, sharing how it is possible to set one up. These two days of training are part of the activity of sharing experiences and tools between European partners, and for that, the days of the 25th and 26th took place both in French and in English so that the professionals could follow the trainings and exchange at the same time, whatever the country they live in.



Catalogue des outils des partenaires européens.

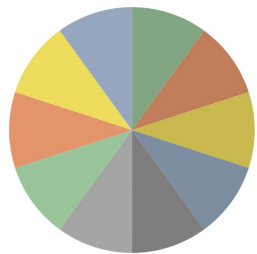
These two days of training in primary prevention tools were followed by experimentation workshops. Other tools were also shared by the European partners of the project and are currently being translated and/or adapted. An assessment of the experimentation of all these tools will be carried out and shared.



In the context of sharing tools for the primary prevention of radicalisation, two tools have shown practicable in the field of work of the Austrian “Extremism Information Center”:

- The first tool is primarily used in the field of early prevention and is an “intervention measure” in social psychology, called “multiple identities”. Studies show that people who construct identities as being “multiple” tend to be less biased and hostile towards members of “out-groups” (i.e. individuals that are not perceived as members of one’s “in-group”). And studies also show that people who define themselves as belonging to more than one identity deal easier with discrimination and so-called “stereotype threats”. Individuals who define themselves as „more“, become more resilient to discrimination as they have

Multiple Identitäten/Gruppen



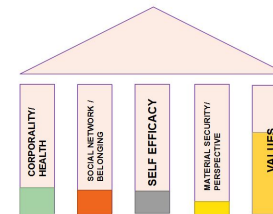
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2. Sprache
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4. Bildung
5. Beruf
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8. Geschlecht
9. Sexuelle Orientierung
10. ...



- The second tool are “The Five Pillars of Identity” by German psychologist Hilarion Petzold and can be used in primary (early) as well as in secondary and tertiary prevention. We use this model, when working with family members of and with individuals who became involved in extremist groups and/or acts. Extremist groups understand it very well to provide “resources” on all five pillars of identity: strength/power, belonging, recognition, self-efficacy, security, clear answers and orientation. Therefore, it becomes very difficult if one tries to challenge extremist ideologies by just focusing on their narratives without taking into account the psycho-social aspects and basic human needs of individuals who become attracted by extremist ideologies.

The training in the context of the “Rad2Citizen”-project tried to teach the participants about the theory as well as the practical implementation of the tools. After this day of training, workshops have taken place in order to experiment the two tools and adapt them to the practice of professionals in Prevention Clubs and Youth Centres in Toulouse Métropole.

FIVE PILLARS OF IDENTITY (Hilarion Petzold)



Conference on the subject of the processes of radicalisation and the dynamics of access to rights.

A conference was organised on 28 January 2022 on the subject of radicalisation processes and the issue of dynamics around access to rights. The morning was punctuated by exchanges between the Institut de Formation, Recherche, Animation, Sanitaire et Social (IFRASS), social and educational actors acting in the Toulouse Metropolitan area at the institutional and associative levels, as well as Mr Ferret, sociologist, and Mr Khosrokar, lecturer in sociology. To the question "Radicalities: what are they?", the answers were varied and went beyond the sole religious ideological framework to underline the existence of movements that can also be political, among others, and mobilise radicalisation dynamics.

In the afternoon, the professionals of the Youth Domain of Toulouse Metropole were divided into two groups led by IFRASS. This was an opportunity for the agents of the Clubs de prévention and Accueils Jeunes to position themselves on the way they consider the prevention of radicalities and how it is linked in their practice with the definition of their professional posture, in terms of socio-educational intervention, mobilising actions in favour of citizenship and living together as alternatives to secessionist and discriminatory attitudes.



Training "Prevention of radical violence: issues and public policies"

As part of the project, a training session entitled "Prevention of radical violence: issues and public policies" for all elected officials of the metropolis was organised on Thursday 12 May and 19 May 2022 in Toulouse.

The first session was devoted to an exchange of ideas and controversies. First, a historical presentation of the emergence of the "radical" lexicon was given. A second part was dedicated to some major controversies. To conclude, the concerns of the field and the political stakes were addressed. This first training session was given by Mr. Romain Bertrand, in charge of the Rad2Citizen project.

The second training session was dedicated to the role of local authorities in the prevention of radicalisation and was given by Mr Bruno Domingo, teacher-researcher at the University of Toulouse 1 Capitole.



Since the month of May we have launched the first online session of the platform "Preventing radical violence - concepts and resources", aimed at professionals in the field.

This platform gathers 60 video clips and links to various resources allowing a better understanding of the phenomena of radical violence and to improve its prevention through a comprehensive approach.

It is divided into the following 4 thematic blocks

- Understanding radical violence
- Side notions
- Prevention strategies and practices
- Local characteristics

It will remain available until the end of June.

You can access the platform by clicking [HERE](#):

For any information you can send us an email to the following address: romain.bertrand@toulouse-metropole.fr.



Available from 2 May to 30 June 2022



Video and audio resources / Forum



Thematic blocks and modules:



Registration required [HERE](#)

1

Understanding radical violence

- Violence and radicalisation: general considerations
- Causes and correlations
- Radical Spaces?
- Polarization: a wider understanding

2

Side notions

- About Religion
- Secularism and Laicity
- Conspiracy: theories and uses
- Political violences

3

Prevention Strategies and Practices

- Terrorism and Radicalisation: International Responses
- National prevention policies in Europe
- Socio-educational support approaches
- Case studies

4

Local characteristics: Toulouse Métropole and Malaga

- General presentation of the territory
- Specificities and vulnerabilities
- Violence, polarisation, social cohesion
- Local actors and resources



UPCOMING EVENTS

Toulouse Metropole, pilot of the European project "Rad2Citizen", in partnership with CRESAM-Occitania and ISERL, is organising two days entitled "Subjectivities / Sensitivity around radicalisation" on 30 June and 1 July 2022 from 9am to 5.30pm at the Auditorium of the Hôpital Marchant - 134 route d'Espagne, 31057 Toulouse.

These days will address the issue of the prevention of radicalisation and its different contexts (judicial, educational, penitentiary, therapeutic, etc.) based on interventions "in dialogue" between professionals involved in care and/or prevention actions and researchers. What are the issues raised by radicalisation in these different contexts? How are the sensitivities and professional categories worked out on the subject?

Free but mandatory registration by clicking [HERE](#)

The programme is available [HERE](#)


The conference will be held in French only

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Journées d'étude



Subjectivités / Sensibilités autour de la « radicalisation »

« Ces journées aborderont la question de la prévention de la radicalisation et ses différents contextes (judiciaires, éducatifs, pénitentiaires, thérapeutiques, etc.) à partir d'interventions « en dialogue » entre des professionnels impliqués dans des actions de prise en charge et/ou de prévention et des chercheurs. Quels sont les enjeux soulevés par la radicalisation dans ces différents contextes ? Comment sont travaillées les sensibilités et les catégories professionnelles sur le sujet ? »



30 juin et 1 juillet 2022
9h00 - 17h30



Programme

- Jour 1 : Approches institutionnelles**
- Jour 2 : Penser le radical depuis les relations**



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(avant le 15 juin 2022)



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