

WELCOME TO THE FIRST NEWSLETTER OF THE “HYPER” PROJECT!

The HYPER Project is a new and innovative project, funded by the ERAMUS+ Programme. It brings together a consortium of six experienced partners from all across Europe - ranging from VET providers to academic researches to NGOs. The first meeting was held in Virginia, Ireland on the 7th and 8th of March. At this meeting, partners got to know each other and set out working plans for the next 6 months. The next meeting will take place in Nicosia, Cyprus. At this meeting, a number of simulation videos will be presented to the rest of the consortium.

WHAT DO WE WANT TO ACHIEVE?

The end goal for the HYPER Project is to have three highly developed outputs, that will be of use to both young people and their peers, but also to the youth workers. Output One will consist of 12 “simulation” videos and self help lessons that show the radicalisation process through social media channels such as Facebook or Snapchat. These videos are to act as a deterrant to young people and for them to recognise the process.

Output Two is a Peer to Peer training programme that will build on Output one. It will assist peer youth leaders to use the simulation videos and self-help resources to highlight the potential threats that exist in on-line environments. Supporting peer youth leaders to understand the digital lives of their friends, siblings, etc. can have a long-term impact in terms of safety and security, social cohesion and the promotion of acceptable behaviours in on-line environments.

Output Three will be an In Service Training programme that will be available as a online flipbook. The contents of this Output will be decided once partners have done some research into training needs.



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THE IDEA BEHIND THE PROJECT

Extremist views are on the rise, and with that comes a surge in radicalisation of people, both young and old. However, young people are more susceptible to online radicalisation. Young people live their lives online through Facebook, Snapchat and other platforms. These social media outlets are modern day breeding grounds for radicalisation. With little to no censorship from anybody, it can be rather easy for dangerous people recruit innocent youngsters. This needs to be tackled in a way that the youngsters can relate to. This is why we have HYPER.

WHO IS HYPER

The HYPER Consortium consists of 6 partners from Czech Republic, Cyprus, France, Germany, Ireland, and the United Kingdom.

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