

NEWSLETTER

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WELCOME TO THE SECOND **NEWSLETTER OF THE "HYPER"** PROJECT!

The HYPER Project is an ERASMUS+ funded project, which aims to empower young people to safeguard themselves from online threats, and to support them in building awareness about the threat of radicalisation online. Now in its 12th month, development of the HYPER Project is well underway. The consortium of experienced partners form all across Europe met for the second project meeting on October 10th 2019 in Nicosia, Cyprus.



Partners are producing a suite of 12 simulation resources that show the radicalization process in action. This suite of resources uses audio-visual simulations to demonstrate how the most popular digital media channels and programmes are used by those seeking to radicalize vulnerable youth. The simulation videos explicitly show how Twitter, Facebook, YouTube, computer gaming, internet chat rooms, email campaigns, etc. are used to recruit and radicalize young people.

The prototype resources introduced at the second project meeting were a mix of animation and video. They covered topics like fake news, gaming and recruitment. The consortium agreed that the resources met the target groups' needs and the overall feedback was very positive. Partners have committed to developing 6 more resources by the end of January 2020. When available, these resources will be published on the e-learning platform:

https://hyper-project.eu/hyper-vidz/. Make sure you visit this site to view the simulation resources already developed.

In addition to the simulation resources, partners will also develop a total of 12 self-help resources. These address each of the circumstances or personality traits highlighted by research in the United Kingdom as those which may make individuals more vulnerable to the threat of radicalization. These include 'a feeling of grievance and injustice' and 'feeling under threat.'



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Meeting in Nicosia

WHAT'S COMING NEXT?

- HYPER plans to develop a Peer Training Programme to support peer youth leaders in taking an active role in tackling the radicalization process.
- In-service and induction training programmes will be developed to ensure that front-line youth workers have the capacity to extract the maximum benefit from the new resources developed and that youth volunteers, parents and guardians are properly trained to support them.
- A transnational training event in the United Kingdom will be held for front-line workers from each partner country to come together for the first in-service training programme.

WHO IS HYPER

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

- CARDET (Cyprus)
- REINTEGRA (Czech Republic)
- E JUNIORS (France)
- JUGENDFORDERVEREIN (Germany)
- The Rural Hub (Ireland)
 LANCASTER & MORECAMBE COLLEGE (UK)

If you would like to join one of our national stake-holder groups, or if you are a front-line youth workers or youth volunteer and you are interested in finding out more about HYPER the please visit our website:

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