

SERA Project

Secularism and Radicalization : Strengthen the learning of the founding values of secularism in order to better fight the phenomena of radicalization in enclosed living spaces (prisons, educational centres, ...).

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Academic Symposium



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Meeting in Malta
June 12-14, 2017

6 partners from 6 EU members and associated countries



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24 month duration 01.12.2016/30.11.2018



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What inspired the SERA project?

Unfortunately very bad events...



In March 2012, in Toulouse (FR) Mohammed MERAH killed a teacher and his two children in front of a Jewish school. Considered first as « a lone wolf » it was subsequently discovered that he stayed in Syria where he was trained. Furthermore the death toll came up to 7 murders. This fact was the 1st one France considered as a national act of terrorism linked to radicalisation.



To be able to answer such act in future, the 1st decision taken by the French government (apart from new high levels of security in airports, train stations, city centres, schools,...) was to reintroduce moral and civic education in all schools (*by School rebuilding act, 2013*) so to re-affirm its 4 core pillars:



Freedom
Equality
Fraternity
Secularism



Then came...
Everyone has heard about this ...



PARIS Declaration, March 17, 2015
signed by 26 EU education Ministers



Declaration on Promoting citizenship and the common values of freedom, tolerance and non-discrimination through education

November 2015 : Attacks in Paris at BATACLAN and Stadium of France (*freedom of culture and expression*)

when (in May 2016) we proposed SERA project to the European Commission under a special dedicated program dedicated to POLICY REFORMS.

June 2016 : Murders of two police officers in the suburbs of Paris (*representation of public order*)

July 2016 : Nice attack on the national liberty day (*national identity*)

July 2016 : Murder of a Catholic priest in a church on the outskirts of Rouen (*freedom of religion*)

unfortunately we all know now that this list is not closed (attacks in Belgium, Germany,... and very recently the United Kingdom)



What is SERA Project?

**Project duration = 24 months
from December 01, 2016
till November 30, 2018**



The Stages of the Project

- Carry out desk based research (European networks, documentary resources, colleagues, previous projects, compendium, laws and rules,...) to collect existing legal and educative resources in the field of civic and moral learning that contribute to the fight of radicalisation
- Organize an academic symposium to give feedback on the analysis from the desk research
- Create an intensive educative programme (PPI) with a variety of personalized, individualized and collective pedagogical sequences to train minors/adults inmates identified as “at risk” of radicalisation, or as already mentioned as radicalised
- Test the PPI sequences and value new knowledge and skills on inmates
- Consider benefits within prison (indicators)
- Organize communication and dissemination on Findings and Recommendations
- Create a European association to relay SERA beyond its term.



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What is the Intensive Pedagogical Program (PPI)

The program consists of an intensive 4-week intervention program renewable twice (ie. a maximum of 12 weeks) at the rate of twice two hours or three hours a day, five to six days a week.





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For Example

- Personalized = restore family links
 - Individual = practice a sport
 - Collective = debate on a law





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Who will be the beneficiaries?

- Newcomers to prison
- Inmates identified as being “at risk” of radicalisation or already radicalised
 - Teachers and staffs in prison
 - Policy makers and prison team managers
 - *indirectly* external stakeholders working with people at risk in disadvantaged neighborhoods



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