



# **EXIT SCS ONLUS**

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# A SOCIAL ENTERPRISE

EXIT S.C.S. Onlus is a cooperative social enterprise (NGO) made by professionals that provide specialized social services in prevention and intervention with violence and psychological abuse in different sectors of society as harassment/bullying at the workplace and in schools, domestic abuse, maltreatment in groups, especially in religious cults and manipulative/high demand groups.

# RADICALISATION AWARENESS NETWORK-EUROPEAN COMMISSION

EXIT scs onlus has been included among the practices collected in the RADICALISATION AWARENESS NETWORK under the RAN-EXIT group.



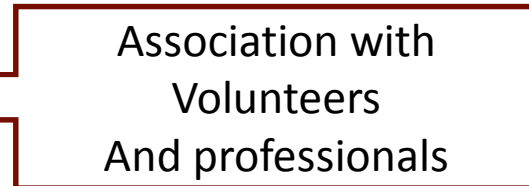
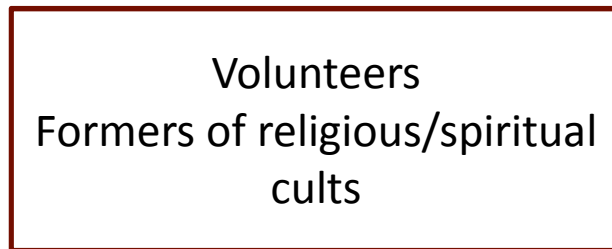
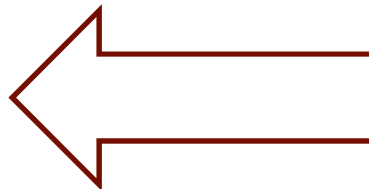
The EXIT Working Group deals with the process of moving from a radicalised and violent mindset and/or environment towards mainstream society. The process is also referred to as 'deradicalisation' (leaving radical ideology), 'disengagement' (leaving radical environment and violent behaviour) or 're-socialisation'.

# HYSTORY OF EXIT SCS ONLUS

**EXIT is a social cooperative** that specializes in offering social services for the enhancement of the individual and to counteract all forms of psychological violence and harassment. It was founded in 2011 as a professional interface of **SOS Abusi Psicologici** (SOS Psychological Abuses), a chartered association which was founded in 2004 and is still connected with EXIT through many different projects and **EDUCAFORUM aps**, a NPO founded in 2009 with the perspective of mediation and educational services.

The **founding of Exit scs onlus** was partly due to the necessity of handling public services. The Friuli Venezia Giulia Region (where we mainly work) is one of the few in Italy to have a Regional Law that allows for establishing prevention centers for employees who are victims of psychological violence/harassment at work (n.7/2005) and the only one with a Regional Law for victims of psychological manipulation (L.R. 11/2012).

# OTHER PARTNERS



# SUPPORT CENTRES

- **SUPPORT CENTER FOR JOB HARASSMENT.** We run two support centers in Udine and Pordenone and a helpdesk in Tolmezzo. A new support centre is going to get started in Gorizia. The centres offer an analysis and diagnosis of harassment at work. They are addressed to workers who have the perception to be victims of psychological harassment at work.
- **SUPPORT CENTER FOR UNDUE INFLUENCE (Udine)** for former members of religious and spiritual manipulative groups and their families. The support center is addressed to families who have a relative in an extreme religious group and gives advice on specific cases.

# TRAINING PROGRAMS

- Tackling psychological manipulation at school and raising well-being and competences among students (VENETO). For students and teachers
- Towards a preventive didactics for violent extremist radicalization and the development of inclusive programs (FRIULI VENEZIA GIULIA). For teachers



# EU PROJECTS

- EU PROJECT with Penitentiary Central Administration (RASMORAD: Raising Awareness and Staff MObility on violent RADicalisation in Prison and Probation Services).



# WORKING WITH FORMERS

- When it comes to dealing with members of extreme and violent groups ( political violence, religious, cults, gangs) we prefer to involve formers because they are more credible, they know what they are talking about, they can easily relate to the person and win their trust and be good mentors.
- Formers need to have overcome their past and acquire professional abilities and often get formal studies such as a degree in psychology or other humanistic disciplines.