



Project title: **Effective Monitoring, Investigation and Countering of Violent Extremism in Cyberspace -EMICVEC**

Main theme: Radicalisation and extremism on the Internet

Project purpose and outcome (in two sentences):

The main objective of the EMICVEC project is to mitigate risks posed by spreading of extremist propaganda in the cyberspace and to reduce the risk of radicalisation among most vulnerable groups. Main outcomes of the project are: IT tool for police officers, certified training course, increased regional cooperation, public campaign on countering extremism in cyberspace.

Project submitter (Member State): Slovakia

Project leader(s): Ministry of Interior of the Slovak Republic, Crime prevention department

Project partner(s): Masaryk University, Czech Republic; Jugendschutz.net, Germany;

People Against Racism, Slovakia; eSlovensko, Slovakia

Project description (max. 150 words):

Manifestations of extremism on the internet are evolving rapidly, as well methods and narrative used by extremist groups. Along with these changes increases also professionalism and the ability of extremist groups to use the internet to recruit new followers, spread ideology, organize public events and intimidate their opponents. Therefore, it is necessary that law enforcement officers are able to adequately respond to these changes and use all the means and tools offered by cyberspace for effective monitoring and investigation of extremism. Therefore, EMICVEC project aims to provide law enforcement officers with new tools and skills enabling them to tackle extremism in cyberspace more effectively, increase regional cooperation among law enforcement and counter extremist narratives in cyberspace with counter messaging.

Objectives project (max. 150 words):

The EMICVEC project has four major aims:

1. **Development and implementation of training course for law enforcement officers** aimed to improve IT skills of the police specialists dealing with extremism.
2. **Enhance information exchange among police officers from Germany, Czech Republic and Slovakia** on extremism, support building of informal networks and the exchange of



the best practices and methods in preventing and countering violent extremism among law enforcement forces of Germany, Czech Republic and Slovakia.

3. **Strengthen analytical and monitoring capacities** of police force specialists dealing with extremism in Slovakia.
4. **Prevent and mitigate harmful impact of extremist content in cyberspace** by providing appropriate communication tools to the target group

Project outcome (max. 150 words):

1. **Training module for Police force of the Slovak republic**

- Development and implementation of training module for law enforcement officers and cadets on specificities of extremism in cyberspace and accreditation of the training course

2. **Facilitating transfer of international best practices to national level**

- Collection of best practises existing in the field of countering extremism on the internet
- Study visit of multipliers and practitioners in partners organisation in Germany and the Czech republic

3. **NO HATE - campaign against cyberhate**

- Development of a complex communication strategy
- Implementation of preventive activities carried out within the campaign
- Implementation of innovative tools such as comics, cartoon, facebook applications
- Development of guide for high school teachers and other multipliers

4. **IT tools for police officers**

- Development and implementation of a new IT tool for police officers, enabling them to monitor, investigate and analyse manifestations of extremism on the internet more effectively, while increasing their overall IT skills.

Start and end project: 07/2014-06/2016

Timescales and key milestone dates:



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