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Countering Radicalisation for a Safer World: Privacy-First Situational Awareness Platform forViolent Terrorism and Crime Prediction, Counter Radicalisation and Citizen Protection



Project Overview

1. Summary

The CounteR: Privacy-First Situational Awareness Platform for Violent Terrorism and Crime Prediction, Counter Radicalisation and Citizen Protection project will develop and deploy an integrated situational awareness system that will identify radical content online – informal groupings of radicalisers and vulnerable individuals with potential to be radicalised.

Under this project, an open platform for analysis and early alert – the CounteR solution – will be launched, collecting and analysing data from dispersed sources in order to predict critical communities at risk of radicalisation and violent extremism and aid law enforcement to detect radicalisation processes more easily. The CounteR solution's ultimate goal is to provide law enforcement agencies (LEAs), Internet providers, and social media platforms with an early-warning tool to be used in the detection of radical content online for preventing the spread of radicalisation and, ultimately, life-threatening terrorist attacks. At the same time, CounteR will preserve the content's privacy protection and data anonymization. The system aims at supporting the ifght against organised crime and terrorism threats and at fostering information-sharing and collaboration between diverse European agencies in charge of countering radical propaganda, fundraising, recruitment, and planning of terrorist acts.

On May 1, 2021, and with funding from the European Commission's H2020 Programme, 19 organisations from 11 EU Member States (Bulgaria, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Malta, Portugal, Romania, Spain) including SMEs, NGOs, and industrial, research and academia entities, as well as six public law-enforcement agencies in the domains of justice, police and internal security, launched this three-year project for supporting the ifght against radicalisation and thus preventing future terrorist attacks.

The duration is 36 mounths and the total amount of the project is EUR 6 994 812.



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2. Objectives

The CounteR project aims at achieving four main objectives:

Objective 1: Integrate and homogenize disparate real-time and static data sources to analyse them for detecting radical and terrorist-related content;

Objective 2: Integrate the analysis technologies with expert knowledge in order to develop models to predict risk and identify hot spots;

Objective 3: Hands-on involvement of a wide range of European law-enforcement agencies (LEAs) to guarantee high impact in the if ght against terrorism;

Objective 4: Aggressive dissemination of the project results in order to achieve maximum sector (LEA) uptake and market excitement.

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