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Subject: Support for international exchanges of information in the fight against radicalisation and extremism

Radicalisation knows no frontiers. That is why the European Union must consolidate the link between internal and external security. This means working with its partners to establish a common set of good practices on radicalisation.

For this purpose, the new European Agenda on Security has included setting up a Radicalisation Awareness Network (RAN). The proposal is that experts and practitioners from the EU Member States should network with those from third countries. The RAN Charter envisages linking up with centres elsewhere in the world, such as the Hedayah centre of excellence in Abu Dhabi.

The Commission and Council have repeatedly referred to EU investment in the Global Counter-Terrorism Forum, but have presented no firm action in this regard. Nevertheless, the EU is a member of this platform for meetings between international politicians, and should make good use of it.

1. What is the outcome to date of the international cooperation initiatives pursued by the RAN working groups?
2. What forms of synergy are envisaged between the European centre of excellence and other international initiatives?