THE AARHUS MODEL
- An overview
2007 - now
Experiences so far

- Approx. 250 reports in last four years. (15-25 years old)
- Primarily Islamist and right-wing radicalization (2 instances of left-wing)
- Most cases have been dealt with through counselling
- 22 persons have so far received mentoring
- 10 persons currently being mentored
- Awareness-presentations (130) and workshops (190)
- Radicalization introduced to frontline workers as risk-factor
Strategy

Proportionality

Multi-agency

Use the existing possibilities

Narrow expertise – widespread awareness
Early intervention: "Soft approach"

General:
- Raising awareness: Professionals and the public
- Collaboration with local communities

Individual:
- Risk evaluation
- Advising professional staff
- Advising individuals and families
- Mentoring, social services, employment, education
INFO HOUSE
Screening
Visitation
Survey
Risk-assessment

Organisation
Steering group
Task Force

Suppliers
Schools
Police
Prisons
Social Services
Youth clubs, NGO’s, etc.
Streetworkers
Families, network and Citizens

Interventions
Counselling
Mentor
Social Services
Exit
Psychiatry

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• Protective Factors & resilience
• Inclusion (participation)
• Identity (purpose and meaning of life)
• Care and strong social bonds
• Positive group dynamics
• Life skills

Risk Factors
Push
• Exclusion (frustration, isolation, intolerance)
• Poor living conditions
• Personal or social crisis
• Frustration, intolerance

Pull
• Recruitment
• Distorted forms of protective factors (e.g. rigid social identity, negative group dynamics, cult-like group dynamics, etc.)

Workshop to raise awareness
Presentation to raise awareness
Seminars, public and for professionals
Family Network
Infohouse
Mentors
Syrian Contingency and EXIT
Surveys and risk assessment

In general
Specifically
Individually
Intervention
In need of help
Self-sustaining