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Call the hotline of the Coordination and Advisory Centre for the Prevention of Radicalisation (KORA)



Receive an initial personal consultation with KORA, during which possible courses of action are developed together.



Referral, if needed or requested – further counselling can be provided by one of our cooperation partners.

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Coordination and Advisory Centre for the Prevention of Radicalisation (KORA)

Countering extremism and radicalisation



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Radikalisierungsprävention

A Message from the Minister,

Extremist groups often offer deceptively simple answers to complex social and personal challenges. Their recruitment strategies are increasingly targeted, professional, and tailored to today's digital and cultural landscape. Recognising early signs of radicalisation – especially within one's close circle – can be crucial. Early intervention can slow or even halt the process before it deepens.



When someone close shows signs of radicalisation, it can be deeply distressing. Family and friends often feel helpless and uncertain about how to respond. The situation is equally challenging for professionals working with those vulnerable to extremist influence. This is where KORA plays a vital role. We provide support and guidance to people close to individuals on the path to, or already caught in, radicalisation. Experience shows it rarely happens overnight.

Countering it requires time, trust, and consistent engagement. At KORA, we stand alongside affected individuals, relatives, and close associates – offering tools, support, and resilience to build pathways out of extremism and towards lasting reintegration.

Petra Köpping

Saxon Minister of State for Social Affairs, Health and Social Cohesion

- Are you worried that your child, student, or friend may have joined an extremist group?
- Has your client suddenly abandoned their previous lifestyle, interests, or music?
- Does your brother now dismiss his old friends as «infidels»?
- Do you suspect that someone close to you is spending increasing amounts of time in potentially extremist online groups or chats?
- Are you unsure whether your pupil's new religiosity reflects genuine faith or the beginnings of extremism?
- Is your friend expressing increasingly extreme rightwing views?

What We Offer



At KORA, we are your first point of contact if you're concerned that someone close to you may be turning toward an extremist group. We are here to support you when you don't know what to do next.



We listen carefully, answer your questions, and take time to understand your situation, your worries, and your fears. Together, we'll review key factors that, based on experience, often play a role in radicalisation processes.

If our conversation suggests that someone close to you may be radicalising, we will work with you to discuss possible next steps.

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If you wish, we can connect you with qualified providers for counselling services we collaborate with. With your consent, we will forward your contact details so you can quickly receive a call to arrange a meeting or a detailed phone consultation.



Confidentiality is a core principle of our work. We handle your enquiry with the utmost discretion and can provide anonymous advice if you prefer.



KORA also supports tailored intervention measures for each individual case, assisting both those directly affected by extremist radicalisation and their families or close associates. We work in cooperation with:

- **Violence Prevention Network gGmbH** (Counselling Center Saxony)
- **AUSSTEIGERPROGRAMM Sachsen**
- **pro:dis** (AGJF Sachsen e. V.)

All services offered by KORA and its partners are completely free of charge.

Information, Awareness-Raising, and Training

KORA organizes information and awareness-raising events designed to strengthen individuals' ability to address issues related to extremism and radicalisation. The program targets full-time and volunteer workers who engage directly with people vulnerable to or at risk of radicalisation in their professional environment, including but not limited to:

- Teachers, school administrators, and school social workers
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- Welfare professionals
- Local government and employment agency staff
- Staff of religious and civil society organizations
- Security and judicial authorities

Counselling for relatives and close associates

Our support for relatives and close associates is primarily intended for family members, friends, classmates, teachers, vocational training specialists, and other trusted individuals close to people who are becoming radicalised or have already been radicalised.

This counselling specifically aims to:

- Support understanding and managing signs of radicalisation
- Strengthen the ability to respond effectively to extremist ideologies and behaviours
- Address questions and concerns from family members
- Create opportunities to engage with the person at risk or already radicalised
- Help prevent harm to the individual or others

Dissociation Assistance

Dissociation assistance is designed for individuals whose radicalisation is still in its early stages, as well as for those who are already radicalised but willing to critically reflect on their beliefs.

The goal is to use personalized counselling to prevent extremist attitudes from becoming firmly established.

Ultimately, the aim is to support individuals exhibiting extremist tendencies or involved in ideologically motivated crimes to disengage from the radicalisation process.

Exit Counselling

Exit counselling provides professional support for individuals who are radicalised and willing to leave extremist groups, focusing on their successful reintegration into democratic society.

Key goals of exit support include:

- Building a trusting and professional relationship
- Preventing self-harm and harm to others
- Developing the ability to engage in dialogue and tolerate differing views
- Helping to establish a new personal network beyond the extremist scene
- Encouraging the creation of a personal future plan beyond the «political struggle»
- Promoting understanding of one's own life story

Support from Our Partners

You will discuss your personal situation with a counsellor who will help identify the next steps and possible courses of action. Counselling can take place through face-to-face meetings, telephone calls, or online sessions.

You will also receive practical advice on how to reconnect with the person concerned. Depending on the situation and progress, third parties such as other relatives, friends, teachers, or trusted individuals may be involved in the counselling process.

The shared goal is to strengthen your relationship of trust with the person at risk and to explore paths away from radicalisation.

