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Ex-prisoners are an extremely difficult problem group within the labour market. It is a special challenge to integrate them in jobs and thus to decrease the individual risk of re-offending in the interest of public security.

The development partnership MABiS.NeT meets this challenge in accordance with the labour market and the crime prevention policies of the government of the state of North Rhine Westphalia.

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MABiS.NeT strives for the development of a state-wide training, placement and after-care network for the vocational re-integration of ex-prisoners in North Rhine Westphalia.

MABiS.NeT links vocational qualification programmes in prison with external qualification and employment offers. The market oriented training and employment integration of ex-prisoners („Marktorientierte Ausbildungs- und Beschäftigungsintegration für Straftatlassene“) aims at placing prisoners in work or follow-up training measures after release.

MABiS.NeT supplements these vocationally oriented release preparations by means of after-care networks which are offered both to ex-prisoners as well as to employers to successfully prevent training and employment break-offs.

MABiS.NeT offers services on three different levels of action:

Programme element N:

Job related after-care services to ensure continuity of training and employment

- à Placement in work or training for (ex-) prisoners
- à Re-integration plans, coaching and employment assistance for ex-prisoners
- à Counselling hotline for employers and training institutions

Programme Element C:

Computer based profiling to increase efficiency of qualification and placement

- à Data base suitable for marketing of vocational training offers of prisons
- à Computer assisted basic diagnostics and development of individual applicant profiles
- à Standardized profiles of employment offers outside prison

Programme element T:

Transfer of information to improve co-operation between judicial and labour market actors

- à Development of regional re-integration forums
- à Publication of reports, brochures and newsletters
- à Organisation of state-wide and transnational re-integration conferences

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MABiS.NeT is based on a co-operation agreement which has been signed by 25 partner organisations. Additionally, 11 prisons in the state of North Rhine Westphalia are also engaged, among them all institutions for young offenders and all prisons for women. Other judicial and labour market players are invited to join the work through an associated partnership.

MABiS.NeT will work from 16 August 2002 until 30 June 2005 as a model programme. Thereby possibilities for the integration of successful programme elements into the crime prevention policies of the state of North Rhine Westphalia are to be approached. A coordination and evaluation of the work is done by the Criminological Research Group of the Ministry of Justice of North Rhine Westphalia (Arbeitsgruppe Kriminologischer Dienst des Justizministeriums des Landes Nordrhein-Westfalen).

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Prisons involved in MABiS.NeT

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