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Resolution No. 2 on The training of authorities responsible for sustainable spatial development

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The ministers responsible for regional planning of the member states of the Council of Europe,

Wishing to provide follow-up to Resolution No. 1, A 10-point programme for greater cohesion among the regions of Europe, adopted by the 12th session of CEMAT on 8 September 2000, which emphasised the need to start immediately a training programme in the new member states of the Council of Europe, in order to help regional and local planning authorities to perform, as well as possible, the tasks for which they have responsibility,

Desirous to promote a new approach to spatial planning based on Recommendation [Rec\(2002\)1](#) of the Committee of Ministers to member states on the Guiding Principles for Sustainable Spatial Development of the European Continent,

Instruct the Committee of Senior Officials:

1. to establish a list of training centres, in the field of the territorial dimension of sustainable development, that exist in the member states of the Council of Europe and then make it available on the CEMAT Internet site of the Council of Europe;
2. to promote the implementation of the International Training Centres for Local Actors Programme (CIFAL) in the Council of Europe member states and to examine the modalities of collaboration with the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the European Network of Training Organisations (ENTO);

3. to invite international organisations to support the preparation of a study book which could be used for this training;

4. to establish a Pan-European Network of "CEMAT Model Regions (regions of innovation)" committed to develop good practices of implementation of the Guiding Principles for Sustainable Spatial Development of the European Continent, constituting pilot examples for other regions.