

The Standing Committees

The Union has 6 Standing Committees:

- Committee on Legal and Legislative issues;
- Committee on Gender, Health and Social issues;
- Committee on Budget, Fiscal and Economic issues;
- Committee on Education, Culture, Youth and Sports issues;
- Committee on Sustainable Development issues;
- Committee on Rural, Small, Mountainous, Border Communities and Intercommunity Cooperation issues.

The Standing Committees contribute to development of policy positions in their respective areas of competence. All interested members of the Union – mayors, councillors and municipal servants may become members of the Standing Committees.

The Forums

The Union has 3 forums:

- the Forum of Community Councillors,
- the Forum of Municipal Servants,
- the Forum of Rural Communities.

These Forums are convened once a year and may adopt resolutions and statements, as well as develop recommendations, and submit these to the governing bodies of the Union.

The Working Groups

Currently the Union has 3 operational working groups:

The *France* working group was set up in 2010. It unites those cities and regions of Armenia which cooperate with cities and regions of France.

The *Alliance of Energy Efficient Cities of Armenia* working group has become operational since 2016. The objective of the group is to enable exchange of information between the interested local authorities and to provide information on available new technologies for energy-efficiency and quality energy services, investment and cooperation opportunities. The Union in partnership with the Armenian Foundation to Save Energy carries out the functions of the secretariat of the working group.

The "Mayors for Economic Growth" working group was set up in 2017. The local authorities involved in the EU initiative with the same title are members of this group. The goal of the initiative is to develop the competences of local authorities to foster local economic growth.



