



UNION OF
COMMUNITIES
OF ARMENIA

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe (the Congress)

The Union works closely with the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe. The delegation of the Armenia to the Congress, comprising 4 members and 4 substitute members, is headed by Emin Yeritsyan, the President of the Union.

The Congress is a pan-European political assembly, the 648 members of which hold elective office representing over 200,000 local authorities in 47 member states.

The goal of the Congress is responsible for strengthening local and regional democracy in member states and assessing the application of the European Charter of Local Self-Government. As the voice of Europe's municipalities and regions, it works to foster consultation and political dialogue between national governments and local and regional authorities.

The Congress:

- ♦ provides a forum where local and regional elected representatives can discuss common problems, exchange experience and express their views to governments;
- ♦ advises the Committee of Ministers and the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe on all aspects of local and regional policy;
- ♦ co-operates closely with national and international Unions representing local and regional authorities;

- ♦ organises hearings and conferences at local and regional levels to reach a wider public whose involvement is essential to a working democracy;
- ♦ prepares periodic monitoring reports on the state of local and regional democracy in all the member and applicant states, in particular, assessing the application of the Charter;
- ♦ supports new member states to progress towards effective local and regional governance.

Conference of the Regional and Local Authorities for the EU Eastern Partnership (CORLEAP)

CORLEAP is the political forum of local and regional authorities from the European Union and the Eastern Partnership countries. It is the only EU platform that offers an opportunity to discuss the contribution by cities and regions in the development of the Eastern Partnership.



CORLEAP consists of 36 regional and local politicians: 18 members of the Committee of the Regions and 18 representatives from the six Eastern partner countries. The delegation of the Armenia to CORLEAP, comprising 3 members,

is also headed by Emin Yeritsyan, the President of the Union.

The Armenian delegation is an active member of CORLEAP. Armenia has co-chaired CORLEAP twice, produced two thematic reports adopted by the Conference and jointly organized series of events in Yerevan, including sessions of the Bureau.



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