

Information Guide



Regions in Europe

A guide to information sources on the Regions of Europe.

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Information sources in the ESO database

- [Regional and local issues in Europe](#)
 - [EU Regional and Cohesion Policies](#)
- See also:
ESO: Information Guide: [Committee of the Regions](#)
ESO: Information Guide: [Structural Policy](#)

EU Institutions

- **European Commission**
 - [Secretariat General](#)
 - Communication ... A framework for target-based tripartite contracts and agreements between the Community, the States and regional and local authorities ([COM \(2002\)709](#))
 - Communication ... Dialogue with associations of regional and local authorities on the formulation of European Union policy ([COM \(2003\)811](#))
 - [DG Regional Policy \(REGIO\)](#)
 - [Regional Policy – InfoRegio](#)
 - [Macro-Regional strategies](#)
 - [The EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region \(2009\)](#)
 - [The EU Strategy for the Danube Region \(2010\)](#)
 - [The EU Strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian Region \(2014\)](#)
 - [The EU Strategy for the Alpine Region \(2015\)](#)
 - [Eurostat \(ESTAT\)](#)
 - [Regions & Cities](#): a single access point to all Eurostat's sub-national statistics
 - [Nomenclature of Territorial Units for Statistics](#): The NUTS classification is a hierarchical system for dividing up the economic territory of the EU for the analysis of regions, the collection of statistics and the framing of EU regional policy
- **European Parliament**
 - [Committee on Regional Development \(REGI\)](#)
- **Committee of the Regions**
 - [Multilevel governance](#)
 - [European Grouping of Territorial Cooperation \(EGTC\)](#)
 - [Subsidiarity monitoring](#)
 - [Structured Dialogue](#)
 - [Contact details for regional offices in Brussels](#)
 - [CoR online MOOC: Regions and Cities Matter](#) (Autumn 2015)
- **European Ombudsman**
 - [Regional Ombudsman](#)

Other international organisations

- **Council of Europe**
 - [Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of Europe \(CLRAE\)](#)
 - [European Charter of Local Self-Government](#)
 - [Thematic index of adopted texts](#)

Pan-European stakeholder organisations

- [Assembly of European Regions \(AER\)](#)
- [Conference of European Regional Legislative Assemblies \(CALRE\)](#)
- [Conference of European regions with legislative power \(REGLEG\)](#)
- [Council of European Municipalities and Regions \(CEMR\)](#)
- [Council of the Baltic Sea States \(CBSS\)](#)
- [EUROCITIES](#)
- [European Federation of Local Government Chief Executives \(UDiTE\)](#)
- [European Foundation for the Sustainable Development of the Regions \(FEDRE\)](#)
- [Institute of the Regions of Europe \(IRE\)](#)
- [Norden \(Nordic Council\)](#)
- [Baltic Assembly](#)
- [Benelux](#)
- [Visegrad](#)
- [European Free Trade Association \(EFTA\)](#)
- [Central European Free Trade Association \(CEFTA\)](#)
- [GUAM Organisation for Democracy and Economic Development](#)
- [Organisation of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation \(BSEC\)](#)

Regional associations

- [Alps-Adriatic Alliance Working Community \(ALPEADRIA\)](#)
- [Arco Latino](#)
- [Assembly of the European Regions producing Fruit, Vegetables and Plants \(AREFLH\)](#)
- [Assembly of European Wine Regions \(AREV\)](#)
- [Association of the Alpine States \(ARGEALP\)](#)
- [Association of Border Regions \(AEBR\)](#)
- [Atlantic Arc Commission](#)
- [Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions \(CPMR\)](#)
- [Euromontana](#)
- [European Network of Wine Cities \(RECEVIN\)](#)
- [Baltic Sea States Subregional Co-operation \(BSSSC\)](#)
- [Danube Region \(ARGE DONAULÄNDER\)](#)
- [European Network of Cities and Regions for the Social Economy \(REVES\)](#)
- [Four Motors for Europe](#)
- [Mediterranean Commission](#)
- [Mission Opérationnelle Transfrontalière \(MOT\)](#)
- [North Sea Region](#)
- [SaarLorLux](#)
- [Union of the Baltic Cities \(UBC\)](#)
- [Working Community of the Pyrenees \(CTP\)](#)

Regions in European countries

Links to the websites of regional governments and authorities in all European countries (where such authorities exist) can be found in the ESO Country Information Guides:

- [Albania](#)
- [Andorra](#)
- [Armenia](#)
- [Austria](#)
- [Azerbaijan](#)
- [Belarus](#)
- [Belgium](#)
- [Bosnia and Herzegovina](#)
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- [Lithuania](#)
- [Luxembourg](#)
- [Macedonia \[Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, FYROM\]](#)
- [Malta](#)
- [Moldova](#)
- [Monaco](#)
- [Montenegro](#)
- [Netherlands](#)
- [Norway](#)
- [Poland](#)
- [Portugal](#)
- [Romania](#)
- [Russian Federation](#)
- [San Marino](#)
- [Serbia](#)
- [Slovak Republic / Slovakia](#)
- [Slovenia](#)
- [Spain](#)
- [Sweden](#)
- [Switzerland](#)
- [Turkey](#)
- [Ukraine](#)
- [United Kingdom](#)
- [Vatican](#)

Miscellaneous

- Wikipedia: [Regions of Europe](#)
- Cardiff EDC: Info Sheet: [Regionalism and separatism in the European Union](#)
- ESO: Current issues relating to regions in Europe
 - [The regions of Europe / Regional issues in Europe](#)
 - [Scotland: Referendum 2014 and subsequent developments](#)
 - [Catalonia: Calls for independence](#)
 - [Scotland: Brexit \(and calls for second referendum\)](#)
 - [Northern Ireland and Brexit](#)
 - [Wales and Brexit](#)
 - [Belgium: regional issues](#)
 - [Catalonian election 2015](#)
 - [South Tyrol's Autonomy Convention](#)
 - [European Centre for Minority Issues](#)

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