

Regional Policy Paper

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Region

A **Region** is a group of Commitments that are located relatively near geographically on the European map. The Members of a Region are the Commitments that define it. The goal of Regions is to bring together a smaller group of Commitments and actively enhance the knowledge transfer between them and the growth of its Members, without creating any limitation to its Members to communicate and make knowledge transfer with Commitments that are not part of the Region. A region must not have less than 5 Commitments and more than 10 Commitments, to ensure the knowledge transfer, the communication within the region and for each Region to organize Regional Meetings. Exceptions can be made in case of expansion.

Expansion Strategy can be found [here](#).

Regionalization Leader

Regionalization Leader's responsibilities are:

- Working on further improvement of the Structure with International Board,
- Working with Regional Coordinators and having regular meetings,
- Setting a plan for boosting of the motivation of Regional Coordinators and assist them with their challenges,
- Working in collaboration with International Teams,
- Providing Monthly and Annual Reports to the International Board.

Regional Coordinators

A Region has a Regional Coordinator, who is a member of a Commitment that is part of the Region. The Regional Coordinator is expected to be an experienced member of the Region. Regional Coordinators will:

- ensure the communication and knowledge transfer within the Region;
- monitor the Commitments and support them if needed;
- be the contact person between Commitments and the Teams of the Association when necessary;
- organize and facilitate online meetings of the Region;
- be responsible for the organization of Regional Meetings;

Regional Meetings

A Regional Meeting is a live meeting of the members of a Region. A Region is encouraged to organize one Regional Meeting every Association Year. The Regional Coordinator is responsible for finding an Organizing Committee for the Regional Meeting of a Region. It can be done either by sending the Call on the region mailing list or by personal approach.

The Organizing Committee may charge a fee.

In order for the event to be recognized as an official event it has to follow the General Event Standards stated in RoP Article 9.2.1. and Event Policy Paper. However, an event can be called a Regional Meeting if it satisfies requirements listed below.

Participants:

An equal number of representatives must be invited from all Commitments of the Region. Board members of the Commitments are highly encouraged to participate. If a Commitment can not send representatives, then the spots available may be distributed among other Commitments in the region by the Regional Coordinator according to their experience, involvement and motivational letter. It is highly encouraged that spots are available for members who are active on the international level (leaders, coordinators) and EESTEC trainers as they can contribute importantly to the Regional Meeting.

Duration:

A Regional Meeting must last at least 4 days, including arrival and departure day. However in order for the event to be recognized as an official Event, it must last at least 6 days, including arrival and departure day. There must be at least 12 hours of sessions. If the regional meeting lasts more than the minimum amount of days, then additional 4 hours of sessions should be added per additional day.

Schedule and content:

The sessions can be working and trainings sessions.

- Working sessions will aim to help Commitments to exchange good and bad practices, develop new ideas and work on common problems within the Region.
- Training sessions may only be related to Organizational Development and operational skills related to the ones needed by a Board member or a Leader.

The Regional Coordinator is responsible for defining the schedule as well as finding the trainers and facilitators needed. Ideas for the content of working sessions should be provided by the Commitments and those involved. Finalizing the content of the working session should be finalized by the Regional Coordinator.

Appendix I: Structure of the Regions

Region I (Turkey, Albania and Greece - 10 commitments)

LC Athens
 LC Xanthi
 JLC Thessaloniki
 LC Patras
 LC Ankara
 LC Istanbul
 LC Izmir
 LC Eskisehir
 Observer Bursa
 LC Tirana

Region II (Italy, Portugal and Spain - 6 commitments)

LC Madrid
 JLC Almeria
 LC Lisbon
 JLC Aveiro
 LC Cosenza
 JLC Catania

Region III (Ireland, Sweden, Germany, The Netherlands, Belgium and France - 8 Commitments)

Observer Dublin
 LC Linköping
 LC Hamburg
 LC Aachen
 Observer Chemnitz
 LC Delft
 LC Antwerp
 LC Lille

Region IV (Switzerland, Germany, Austria, Slovenia and Italy - 7 commitments)

LC Zurich
 LC Munich
 LC Karlsruhe
 JLC Kaiserslautern
 Observer Vienna
 LC Ljubljana
 LC Trieste
 Observer Milano

Region V (Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina - 6 commitments)

LC Zagreb

Observer Split

LC Sarajevo

LC Tuzla

LC East Sarajevo

LC Banja Luka

Region VI (Serbia, Romania, Macedonia and Montenegro - 7 commitments)

LC Belgrade

LC Novi Sad

LC Nis

LC Bucharest

LC Craiova

LC Skopje

LC Podgorica

Region VII (Finland, Latvia, Poland and Hungary - 6 commitments)

LC Tampere

LC Riga

LC Gdansk

LC Krakow

LC Gliwice

LC Budapest