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PRESENTATION / Role**Fact Sheet on the
Committee of the Regions**

Set up by Maastricht Treaty. First meeting March 1994.

Initially five areas of obligatory consultation (economic and social cohesion; trans-European networks in the field of transport, energy and telecommunications; public health; education and youth; culture).

Amsterdam Treaty (1999) added a further five (employment, social policy, environment, vocational training, transport).

344 members and 344 alternate members appointed for 4 years by the Council, having been nominated by member states

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- o Belgium 12
- o Bulgaria 12
- o Cyprus 6
- o Czech Republic 12
- o Denmark 9
- o Estonia 7
- o Finland 9
- o France 24
- o Germany 24
- o Greece 12
- o Hungary 12
- o Ireland 9
- o Italy 24
- o Latvia 7
- o Lithuania 9
- o Luxembourg 6
- o Malta 5
- o Netherlands 12
- o Poland 21
- o Portugal 12
- o Romania 15
- o Slovakia 9
- o Slovenia 7
- o Spain 21
- o Sweden 12
- o United Kingdom 24

There are four political groups: the Party of European Socialists Group,

the European People's Party Group, the European Liberal Democrats and Reform Party Group and the European Alliance Group.

A President and First-Vice President are elected for a two year term by the members of the Committee.

The Bureau is responsible for implementing the CoR's political programme. It is elected for 2 years from the Committee members. It consists of 60 members including the President and First Vice President.

There are 6 CoR Commissions, made up of CoR members, specialising in particular policy areas:

- COTER
Commission for Territorial Cohesion Policy
 - ECOS
Commission for Economic and Social Policy
 - DEVE
Commission for Sustainable Development
 - EDUC
Commission for Culture, Education and Research
 - CONST
Commission for Constitutional Affairs, European Governance and the Area of Freedom, Security and Justice
 - RELEX
Commission for External Relations and Decentralised Cooperation
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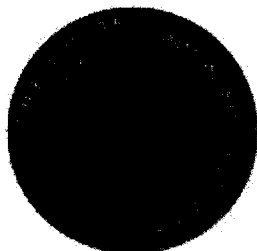
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 Danmark de da en fr	 Nederland de en nl fr
 Bundesrepublik Deutschland de en fr	 Österreich en en fr
 Eesti de en et fr	 Polska de en pt fr
 Ελλάδα de pt en fr	 Portugal en en pt fr
 España en en en fr	 România en en ro fr
 France de en fr	 Slovenija de de sl fr

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