

Le Secrétaire Général

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Dear Mr Draghici,

Request for membership to the Council of European Municipalities and Regions

It gives me great pleasure to confirm to you now officially that, at its meeting in Innsbruck on 10 May, CEMR's Policy Committee unanimously approved your association's request for membership of CEMR.

We were pleased that you were able to be with us at the Policy Committee meeting to present formally your association's request.

As new members of CEMR, we will be delighted to have your association fully participate in our future activities, and you will of course receive all correspondence from the CEMR secretariat general that is addressed to the secretaries general and directors of the CEMR member associations.

Please find enclosed for your information our work programme for 2006 and the calendar of CEMR's forthcoming activities.

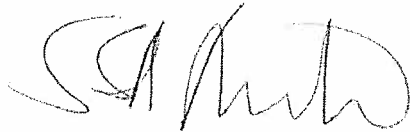
According to CEMR's current Statutes*, Romania will benefit from a delegation of four full members and four alternates to participate and vote at CEMR's Policy Committee meetings. Since Innsbruck, we currently have two member associations from Romania – your association and the National Union of County Councils of Romania. Moreover, you may be aware that in October this year in Seville, CEMR expects to welcome in addition – as was also decided in Innsbruck – two other Romanian associations as our members (the Romanian Municipalities Association and the Association of Romanian Towns). Whilst it is for the members of each country to agree their representation in our governing bodies, you may wish to consider an arrangement under which each association has one full member and one alternate.

We would recommend that there be a consultation arranged to this effect between the Romanian associations. We will be writing further to you concerning membership fees, which likewise will need to be apportioned between the Romanian associations in membership of CEMR.

The Secretariat General, and in particular Christophe Chaillou and Nina Holbrook (christophe.chaillou@ccre.org, nina.holbrook@ccre.org, tel. +33 1 44 50 59 59), are available for any further information you may require.

I look forward to our future co-operation.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Smith', written in a cursive style.

Jeremy SMITH