



CEMR membership criteria

The Policy Committee examines and gives an opinion on the candidatures of associations wishing to join CEMR. When there are several associations from the same country, they gather into a national section. Such national sections must represent at least one third of the population of one or several local authority categories existing in the country, or at least a quarter of its population.

CEMR only recognises the national sections of European countries which hold local free elections as full members (with the right to vote) and they must also fulfil the democratic conditions of the Council of Europe.

The national sections of states that are not members of the Council of Europe and the European groupings of local and regional authorities may become associated members of CEMR.

Membership of CEMR takes effect after the Section whose candidature is accepted has paid its affiliation fee.