

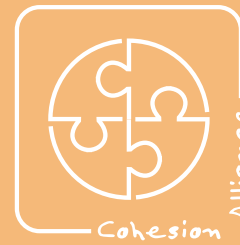


Through its own activities and through those carried out with the #CohesionAlliance, the European Committee of the Regions is committed to:

- promote the view that economic, social and territorial cohesion is fostered and respected in all EU policies;

- promote the involvement of regions and cities in shaping and delivering national recovery plans;
- promote the integration on the ground of cohesion policy funds and all other EU recovery and funding instruments;
- foster urban-rural cooperation and the recovery of rural areas.

Cohesion, our fundamental value



October 2017

Launch of the #CohesionAlliance for a strong cohesion policy after 2020



April 2019

The CoR advocate the creation of a EU instrument to support the environmental and social transition of coal regions



October 2019

MEPs and local leaders urge Member States to have a clear ambition for more cohesion and a real budget for the EU.



May 2017

EU Regions and cities start building an Alliance for the future of cohesion policy



March 2018

Submission of the #CohesionAlliance's priorities and requests to the European Commission

July 2020

Signature of the #CohesionAlliance declaration 2.0 for a cohesive, sustainable and resilient Europe



January 2020

Achievement: The European Commission proposes the creation of a Just Transition Fund for regions most affected by the green transition



March 2020

Presidents of the CoR and of the European Parliament joint call for an ambitious and cohesive EU budget 2021-27, equivalent to 1.3% of EU GNI.



November 2020

Launch of the European Alliance for Cross-Border Citizens, to make border regions much more visible among local, national and European decision-makers.



1 July 2021

New cohesion policy legislative package enters into force
Achievement: Regional and local communities, as well as the partnership principle, are kept at the heart of the new governance



17 December 2020

The Multiannual Financial Framework 2021-27 is adopted
Achievement: without cuts to the overall financial allocations for cohesion policy



March 2022

EU local and regional leaders adopt the Marseille Manifesto, asking that cohesion is considered as a fundamental value of the Union



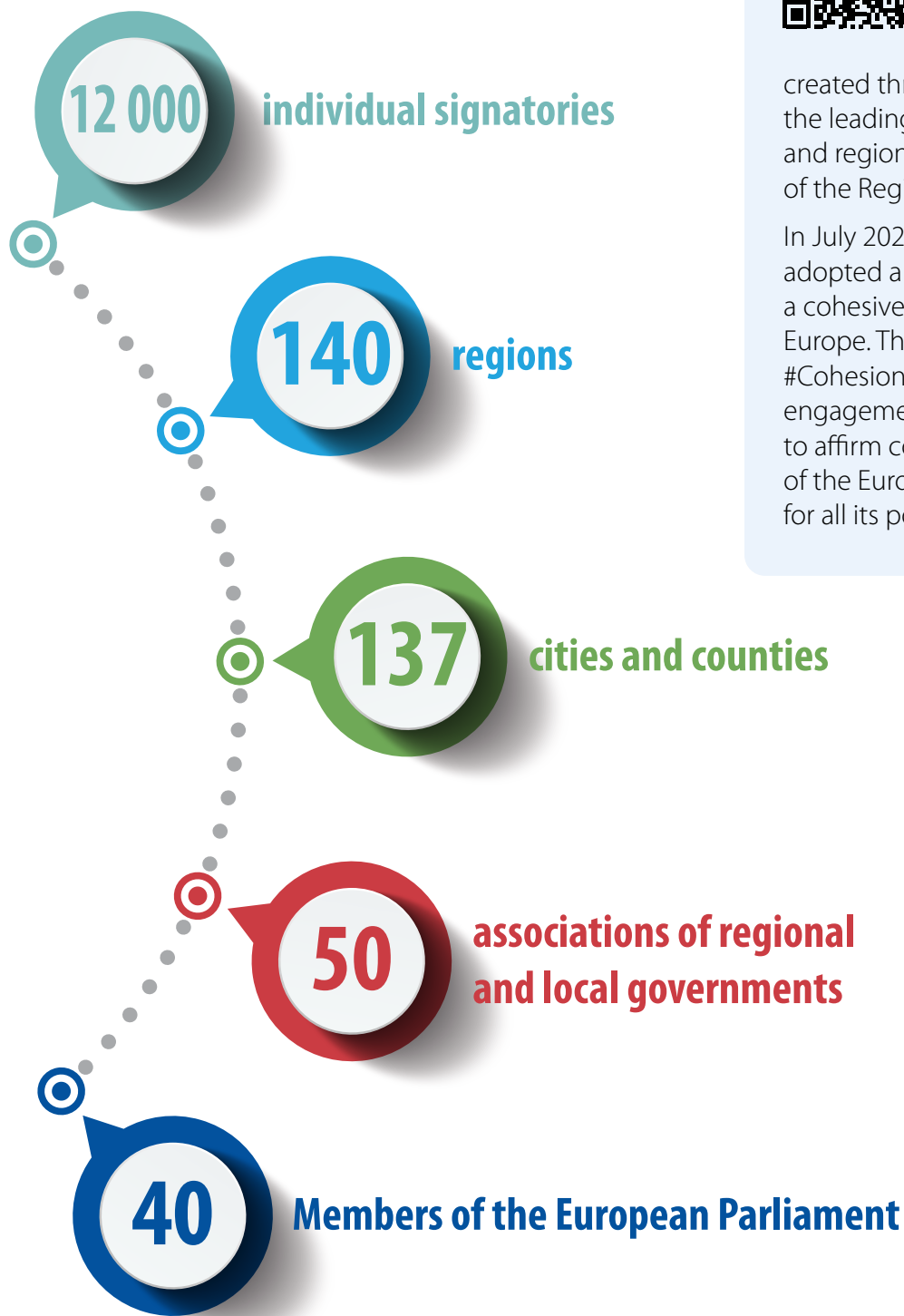
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#CohesionAlliance

FOR A STRONG EU COHESION POLICY 2.0

Since its launch in 2017, the Alliance's declaration has been signed by:



The #CohesionAlliance is a coalition of those who believe that EU cohesion policy must continue to be a pillar of the EU's future. It was created through cooperation between the leading European associations of cities and regions and the European Committee of the Regions.

In July 2020, the #CohesionAlliance adopted a renewed declaration 2.0 for a cohesive, sustainable and resilient Europe. Through the new declaration, the #CohesionAlliance renewed its political engagement in the post-COVID-19 Europe to affirm cohesion as a fundamental value of the European Union and a key objective for all its policies and investment.



European Committee of the Regions

The European Committee of the Regions (CoR) is the EU's political assembly of 329 regional and local representatives from all 27 Member States. Our members are elected presidents of regions, regional councillors, mayors and local councillors - democratically accountable to more than 446 million European citizens. The CoR's main objectives are to involve regional and local authorities and the communities they represent in the EU's decision-making process and to inform them about EU policies. The European Commission, the European Parliament and the Council have to consult the Committee in policy areas affecting regions and cities. It can appeal to the Court of Justice of the European Union as a means of upholding EU law where there are breaches to the subsidiarity principle or failures to respect regional or local authorities.

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Cohesion is not (just) money,
but a fundamental value of the European Union

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