ABSTRACT

Committee of the Regions (CoR) is one of the consultative assembly of the European Union (EU) which was set up by the Maastrict treaty in 1992. CoR will provide regions and cities with a voice in the EU decision-making process and act as direct link between the EU and the citizens. The European Commission, Council of Minister and European Parliament consult the CoR when drawing up legislative texts on areas affecting local and regional authorities.

This research purposes to examine the role of the CoR for the local and regional authorities, as well as its role for the EU. The CoR’s role for the local and regional authorities is as representative body to accomodate and bring supports or demands in the EU’s political system. Beside, the role of the CoR for EU is as consultative and advisory bodies to give opinions, directives or regulations.

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