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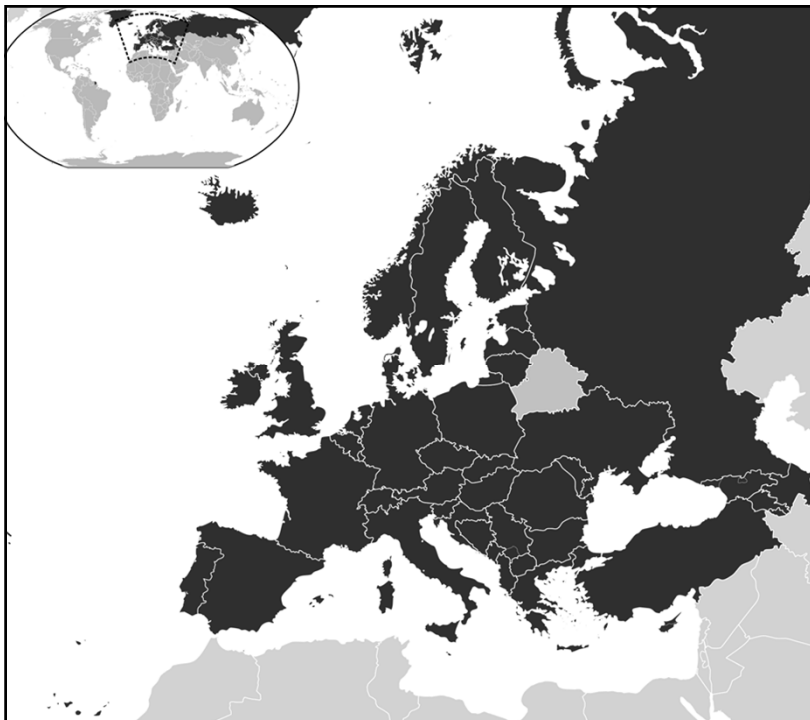
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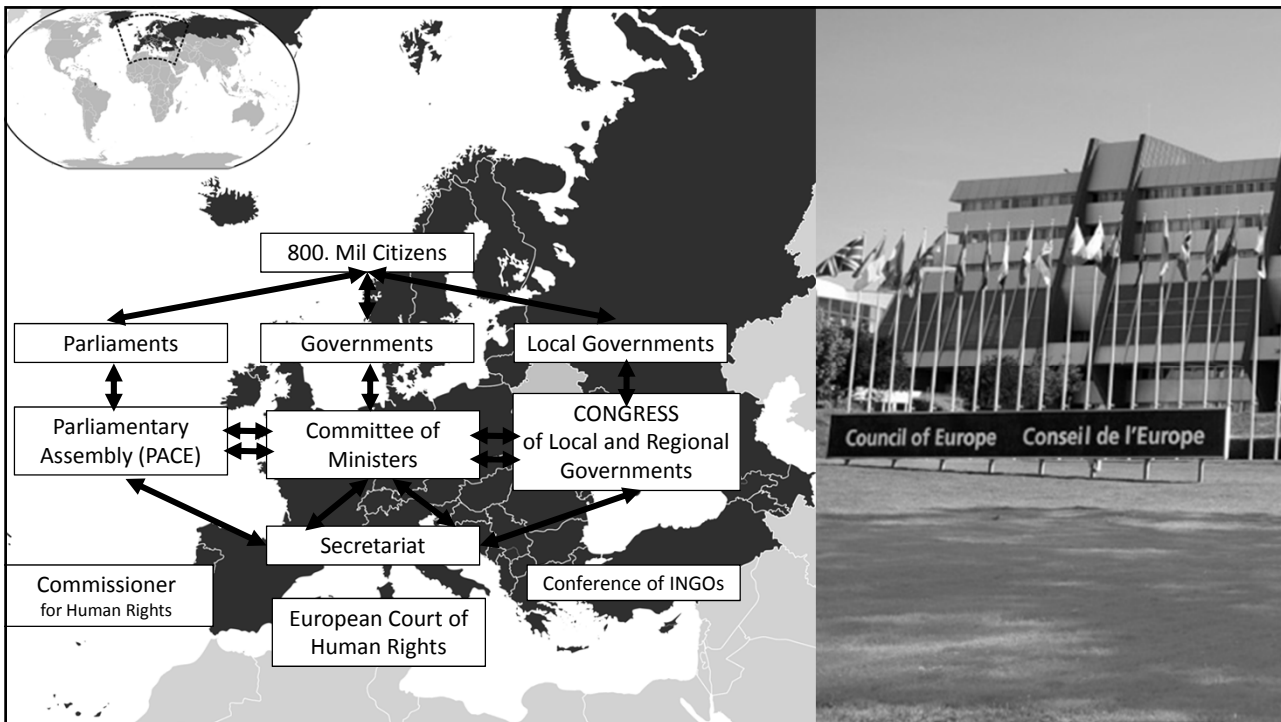
European Charter on Local Government for the Kyrgyz Republic: Prospects and Possibilities of Accession

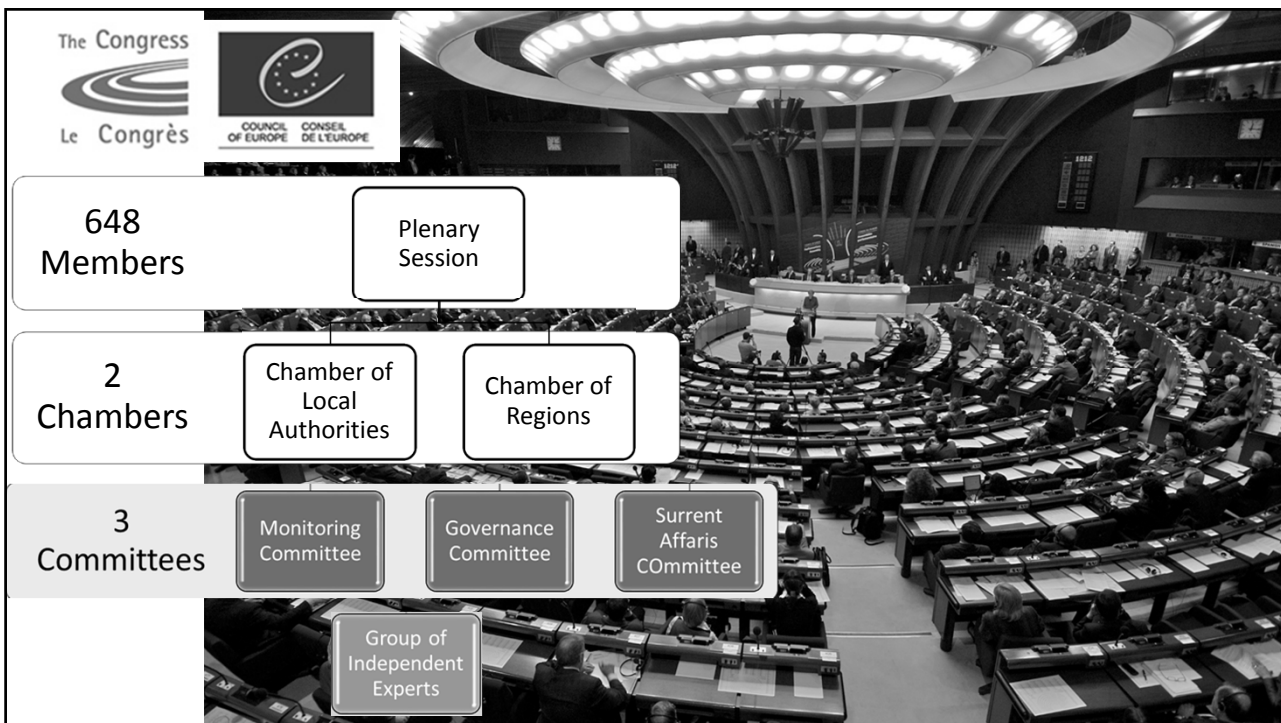
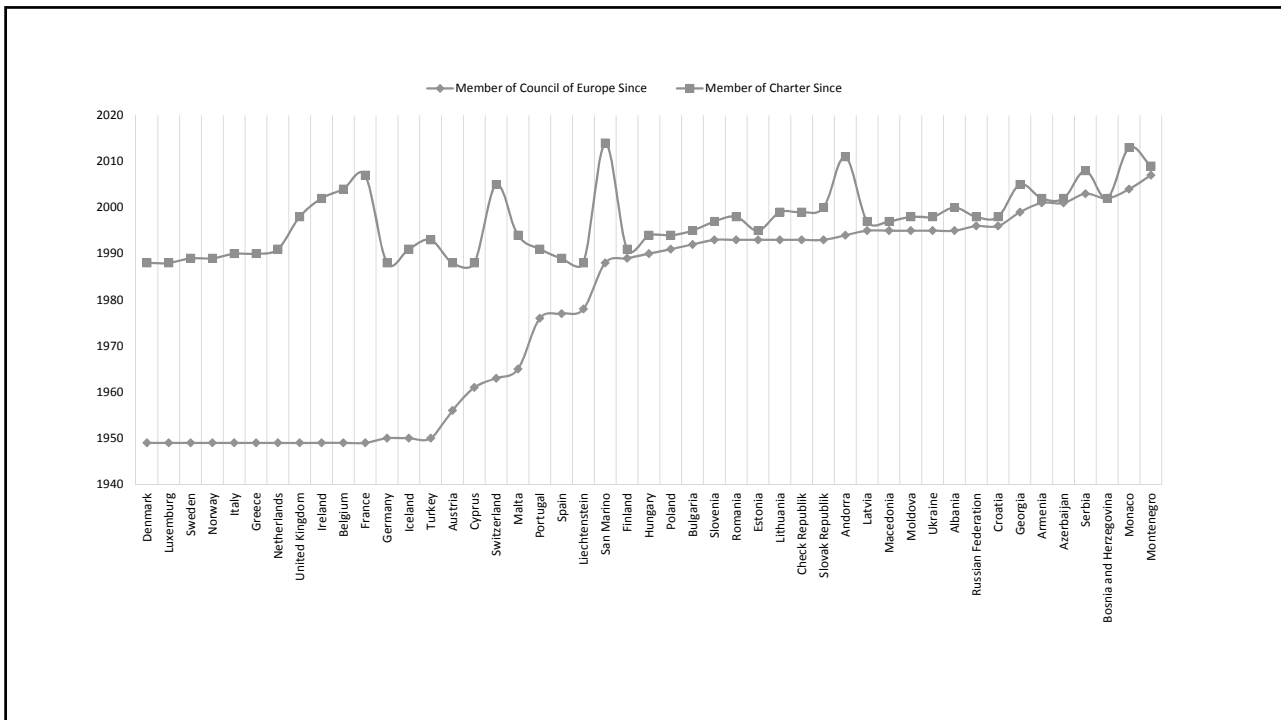
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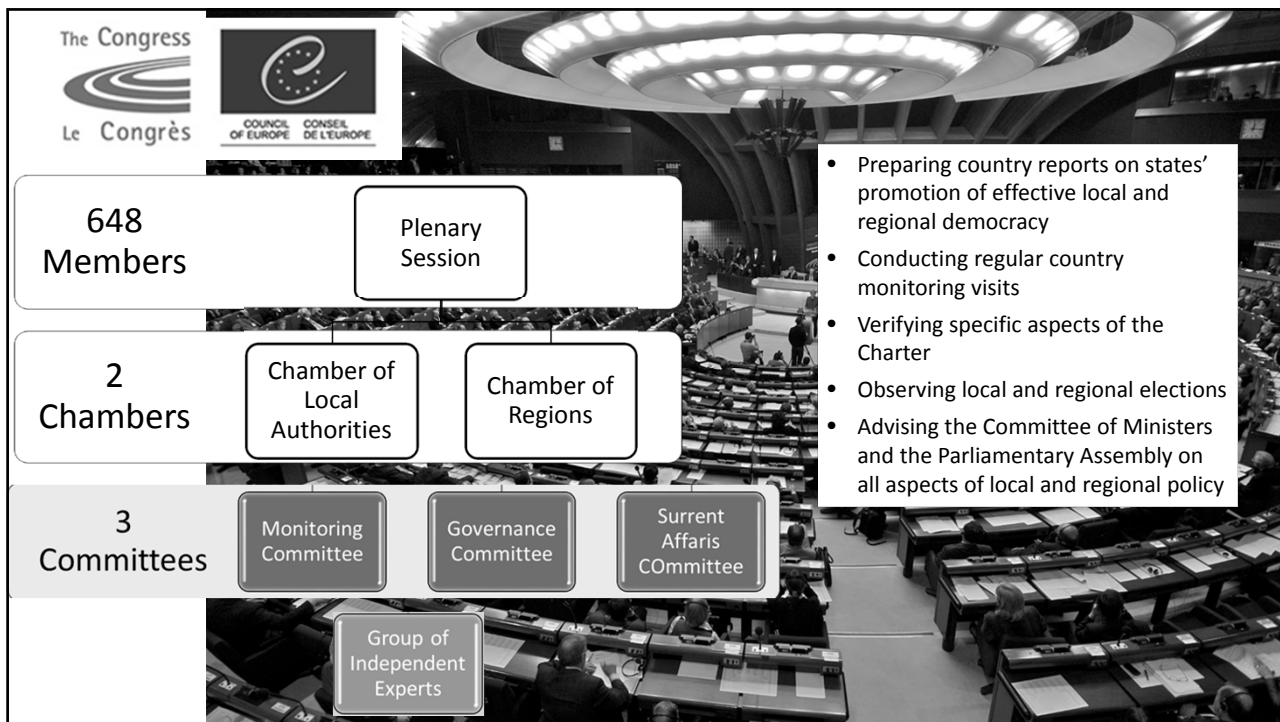
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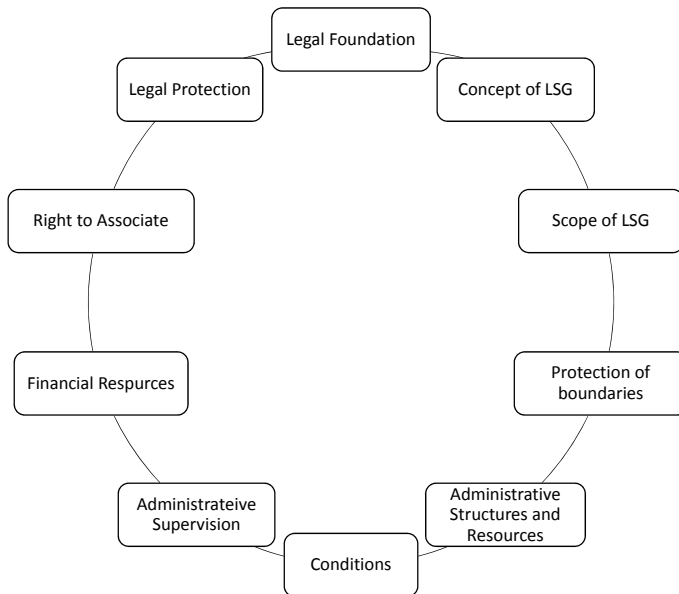
What makes State accede to the Charter?

- Despite differences in understanding and practicing – there are minimum standards for local democracy to work
- It guides governments to design LG reform agenda
- It is based on the assumption that local governance is the cornerstone of democracy
- Empowers local communities to solve local problems
- To ensure cohesion and balanced regional development

EUROPEAN CHARTER OF LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT



What is the content of the Charter?



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Extension of the Charter:

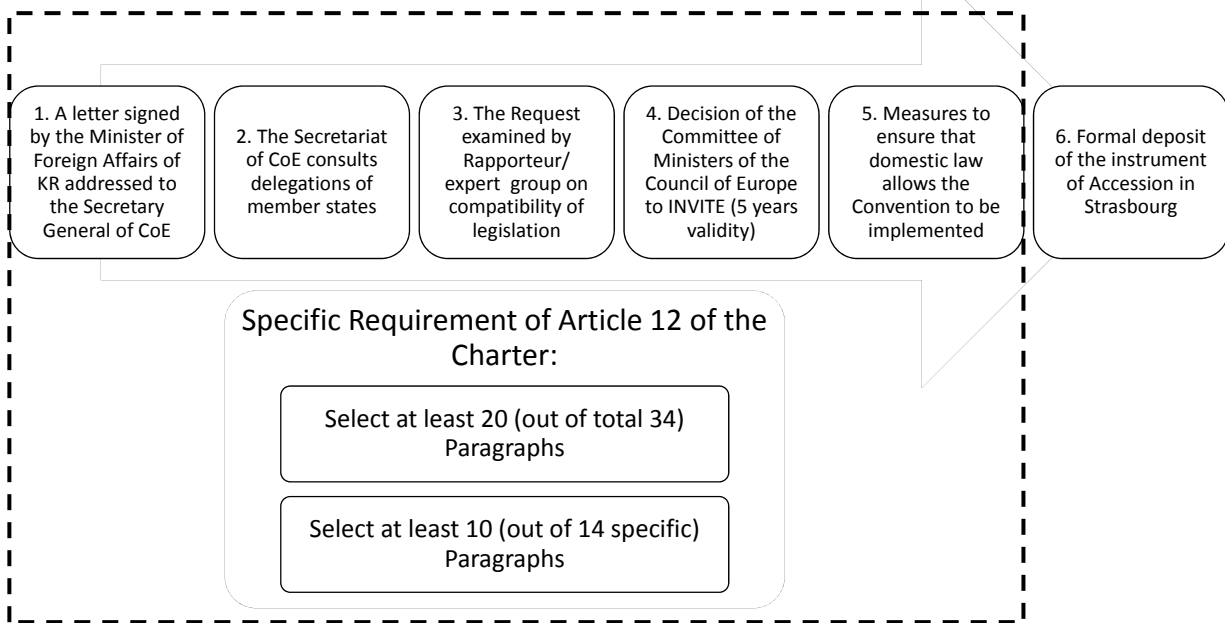
Additional Protocol on the right to Participate in the Affairs of a Local Authority – adopted in 2009.

Reference Framework for Regional Democracy - adopted in 2009 (non treaty based instrument)

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Accession Process for non-European States for CoE Treaties










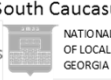
Financial Implication

Resolution **CM/Res(2013)7[1]** concerning financial arrangements for the participation of non-member States in Council of Europe conventions

- Any Contracting Party to a Council of Europe convention ..., which is not a member of the Council of Europe, shall contribute to the financing of the said convention... as of right in the follow-up mechanism of the convention.
- Calculation method**
 - identifying the budgetary cost of the convention concerned (staff and operational costs) (A),
 - adding administrative costs (15%)^[1] (B) = 15%*A
 - applying the ... the estimated cost of the Convention (A+B).

Union of LSG Transnational Cooperation

Rationale and Possibilities

| LEVEL | Organization | Founder | Members | Strength | Opportunity |
|-----------------------|--|--|--|---|---|
| Global |  | Global UCLG, Barcelona | +100 Cities and LGAs | - SDGs, Sustainability Agenda 2030 - Gold Report | - Already a member! - Exchange platform. |
| Pan - European |  | European LGAs | 42 European Countries | - Lobbying with EU institutions in Brussels - PLATFORMA project for cooperation | - explore if Platforma scope could be expanded to include central Asia? |
| |  | Council of Europe | 47 European States | Monitors compliance with the European Charter of Local Self Government | - Cooperation in implementation of the Charter - Potentially obtain "Guest Observer Status" |
| Regional |  | Committee of the Regions of EU | EU + Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Republic of Moldova and Ukraine. | Support the effort by the EU institutions in delivering the European Neighbourhood Policy | - Lobby at EU to broaden the "Neighbourhood" scope - Potential support the EU |
| |  | Congress of the Council of Europe | Albania, B&H, Croatia, Kosovo, Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia, Slovenia, | - Knowledge Management - Peer to peer review. - Policy Advice - Decentralisation Observatory | - Build a Central Asia regional cooperation similar to NALAS - Use NALAS products |
| Bilateral Cooperation |  | | 400 Chinese Cities | Promotes friendship-city relations between China cities and other countries | - Create opportunities for Kyrgyz LGs to establish new friendship relations. - Participate in CIFCA Annual Conferences |
| |  UNION OF COMMUNITIES OF ARMENIA | LGAs from the South Caucasus  NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES OF GEORGIA | | Well positioned in Congress, CORLEAP, etc | - Create linkage with European Neighbourhood programs. - Exchange experience |