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Gemensam skrivelse från Regions for EU  
Recovery (R4EUR) gällande en gemensam  
röst angående återhämtning efter Covid-  
pandemin skickas till Europaparlamentet  
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**Beslut**Landskapsregeringen beslöt delta i gemensam deklaration enligt **bilaga 1**.

## Bilaga 1

Dear Chair of the ECON Committee,  
Dear Chair of the BUDG Committee,

FINAL DRAFT

‘Regions for EU Recovery’ (R4EUR) is an initiative of more than 30 regions from ten different Member States strongly committed to undertake joint efforts to strengthen the role of regions in EU decision-making related to the post-COVID recovery. This initiative has been established in 2020.

We would like to offer our cooperation with your Standing ECON and BUDG Working Group on the scrutiny of the RRF.

Since the outbreak of the pandemic in early 2020, regional and local governments have been at the forefront of managing the COVID-19 health crisis and its social and economic consequences, reflecting the significant competencies they have in a number of areas. Further, the Regulation establishing the Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF) contains an intention to involve cities and regions in National Recovery and Resilience Plans. We are convinced that it is essential to engage local and regional governments, since they are responsible for the implementation of 70% of the EU acquis and two thirds of public investments. As demonstrated by the good practices in some Member States, the involvement of cities and regions in the implementation phase can contribute to the efficient use of resources and the absorption and execution capacity of the RRF funds. Moreover, it can help programming the European Structural and Investment Funds in a synergic and complementary way. All that in line with the multilevel governance and subsidiarity principles. Considering the situation in Ukraine and foreseeable humanitarian and economic consequences, which may change EU priorities in the coming years, now it would be even more necessary to strongly involve regions and subnational governments in a potential modification of National Recovery Plans.

As a first step in this phase of implementation of the NextGenerationEU (NGEU) Funds, R4EUR have come together to elaborate a benchmark analysis to compare how the National Recovery and Resilience Plans are being implemented in Member States and the role of regions in managing these funds. The study has now been completed and we would be happy to discuss the results with you.

We as regions can be an important interlocutor for your Standing ECON and BUDG Working Group on the scrutiny of the RRF. We are willing and able to contribute to future discussions, reviews, or hearings. We are experts in cohesion policy, we are close to citizens and we know the needs of our territories.

We remain at your disposal and open to work with you.

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