

# The role of POLKEN

## EGHO & Members

(mission, organisation, how to join)



# Today

- Role of PolKEN
- Essential differences – National vs EuroGeographics perspective
- What EGHO will do (Secretariat and Representation roles)
- What we would like Members to do

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Members

INFORMATION

EuroGeographics

PolKEN drafts and supports positions

## Essential differences: National vs EG perspective

### National Positions

We will inform you to help, to support your government in building the national position,

### EG perspective

EG will develop shared technical or policy positions: developed by you and in collaboration with you.

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# Role of EGHO

## 1°) Secretariat

- Organises meeting and webinars
- Distributes agenda and papers
- Drafts minutes
- Tracks policy developments
- Informs members of policy developments at EU and UN level

## 2°) Representation

- Prepares EG draft policy positions and briefings
- Organises the visibility of EG members positions at EU and UN levels : Liaises, communicates and briefs EC officials/ UN Secretariat , EU Parliamentary interests, Committee of Experts
- Acts as Observer on UN-GGIM Europe Ex-Committee
- Liaises and informs with other International bodies of interest.

# Role of Members

## INFORMATION

**FROM YOU TO EG :** Provide EG with the information necessary to build common position : Explain your National perspectives, concerns and positions, where appropriate

**FROM EG TO YOUR National representative**  
Provide your national representatives: Brief and inform your National representatives of EG positions

**So that EG & National position are mutually supporting each other**

## REPRESENTATION

**ELABORATE THE POSITIONS:** contribute to the elaboration of the shared vision, positions, technical input, study cases, best practices...

**PROMOTE THE POSITIONS:** support EG in undertaking its role for representation, at the most senior level- meetings, engagement with national MEPs when possible etc...

**BRIEF EG** when appropriate/ possible with outcomes of national expert group meetings developments  
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## And now ?

Please join PolKEN !  
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