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- c. equitable representation of the various political forces in the statutory bodies of local and regional authorities in the member state;
- d. equitable representation of women and men on the statutory bodies of local and regional authorities in the member state.

Member states which do not have regional authorities within the meaning of this paragraph shall be able to send Representatives to the Chamber of Regions and its organs in an advisory capacity.

1. The role of local authorities in the field of local social services (Local and Regional Authorities in Europe No. 73) (2001). This publication deals with the following issues: effectiveness and efficiency in delivering services, quality of services without increasing the costs, avoiding overlap, fostering...

2. Participation of citizens in local public life (Local and Regional Authorities in Europe, No. 72) (2000). Should it be concluded that the participation of citizens in local public life is going through a crisis and gradually losing its relevance in our global society? What should the reaction...